

DEMOCRATS WILL DO THEIR BEST TO STAY SENATE VOTE

Republicans Struggle to Obtain Expression of Opinion on League Covenant at Present.

KNOX RESOLUTION IS TARGET

Republicans Say That They Will Regard as Test Any Vote They Can Get on Question.

By James E. Nozise
Washington, June 14.—With the Republicans struggling to obtain a vote in the senate on the League of Nations covenant, Democratic senators in conference have decided to do everything in their power to prevent such a vote being taken.

No expression by the senate nor by the people of the United States as to the advisability or desirability of American entrance into the league will be permitted if the Democrats in the senate can prevent it. They count upon the return of President Wilson from abroad and the wielding of his influence to bring about acceptance of the league covenant as an integral part of the peace treaty.

ATTACK KNOX PLAN

The Democrats agreed to concentrate their fire on the Knox resolution, which proposes the ratification of the league should be postponed until the people of the United States have been given an opportunity to say whether or not they want it. An organized filibuster will be their method of agreement.

No vote that would record the sentiment of the senate will be allowed if the Democrats have their way. Advocates of the league fear the effect such a vote might have upon the people concerning the league question. They will seek not only to defeat the Knox resolution but to keep any subsidiary motion relating to it from coming to a vote. They assert they will have the full Democratic strength in the senate with the exception of Senator James A. Reed of Missouri, and a few Republicans besides.

This the Republicans dispute and they say that not more than four Republicans will desert them in the battle over the Knox resolution. The four named as doubtful are McNary of Oregon, Norris of Nebraska, Colt of Rhode Island and McCumber of North Dakota. It is practically certain that McCumber will vote with the Democrats, while McNary and Norris are known to be opposed to the resolution, but only lukewarm in their support of the league.

WANT TEST VOTE

The Republicans also have received assurances that they will get the votes of at least five Democrats. Reed of Missouri, Gore of Oklahoma, Thomas of Colorado, Myers of Montana and Chamberlain of Oregon are mentioned as leaning toward the Republican side.

The Republicans announced that they will regard as a test of sentiment in the senate any vote which they may be able to get on any phase of the question. A vote to take the resolution from the calendar and make it the business before the senate will be considered in the light of a test vote to close debate and put the resolution on final roll call; a motion to amend it or lay it on the table would be considered a test. This is the reason why Democrats are resolved to permit no vote of any kind to be taken.

PREPARE FILIBUSTER

The conference of the Democrats was called by Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, and nothing was considered except plans for fighting the Knox resolution. A tentative list of speakers was prepared and the length of time each senator will speak in organized filibuster is being allotted.

Senator Hitchcock told the newspapermen that the conference had decided to submit the question to a very thorough discussion.

He denied that he would be a filibusterer and said that announcement to this effect would be made in the senate when discussion begins.

"It is not true that the Democrats are

afraid to have the resolution come to a vote," Senator Hitchcock said. "As a matter of fact, we would like to have it voted upon, for we feel confident it would be defeated."

We can count on the vote of every Democratic senator except Senator Reed, and will also get the votes of eight or nine Republicans. Of this we are certain. But we are determined not to allow the resolution to be voted on because such a vote would be only an embarrassment to the peace conference.

"Have you had any word from the president regarding the Knox resolution," was asked.

"No, we do not expect any," Senator Hitchcock replied. "This is not a fight in which the president would be very much interested. It is a fight within the senate itself to find out whether the senate is willing to advertise itself to the world as proposing such an interference with the powers of the peace conference."

"The dignity of the senate is at stake and on this issue the president is not likely to take any part."

MAY POSTPONE FIGHT

Senator Hitchcock had a conference with Acting Secretary Polk of the state department, and David Hunt Miller, who was technical adviser to the American peace delegation. This conference took place before the Democrats were called together. It is understood that Senator Hitchcock was advised by the officials that passage of the resolution would make it very embarrassing to the peace delegation.

It is not at all certain that the fight on the peace resolution will open next Tuesday as announced.

Several Republican leaders canvassed the situation today and suggested that pressing need of the appropriation measures made it necessary to have them passed first in order that the money should be available by July 1. It is probable that Senator Knox may consent to allow his resolution to remain on the calendar until all the appropriation bills are disposed of.

2 MEN LEAVING FOR NORTH TO ESTABLISH PAPER AT KETCHIKAN

Prosperous Alaskan Port Anxious for Establishment of Terminal Rates.

An opportunity exists for Portland or some other coast city to gain the friendship and gratitude of Ketchikan, Alaska, according to Edward G. Morrissey, who, with B. M. Stone, is establishing the Ketchikan Alaska Journal, a daily paper, in the Alaskan port city. Ketchikan desires terminal rates for her products and help in securing these rates, he asserts, will bring Ketchikan's trade.

Mr. Morrissey and Mr. Stone spent a day in Portland during the Victory Roast Festival, purchasing the portion of the plant with which they will publish their new paper. The plant is to be outfitted by the American Type Foundry company.

"Prince Rupert enjoys terminal rates," said Mr. Morrissey, "and this gives the British Columbia city an advantage which Ketchikan has to combat. It permits Prince Rupert dealers to pay more for fish, which is the principal product shipped."

"Ketchikan has now between 2000 and 3500 population. It is without a vacant store or residence and is growing rapidly. It has had no boom. Building is going on rapidly."

"This growth is due largely to the increase in the fish industry. In addition to ordinary canning, by-products and fancy packing add much to the value of the industry. Ketchikan is the first port of the fishing industry."

"We plan to issue our first edition July 1. Our plant will be the most complete in Alaska. The journal will be an afternoon, eight page, seven column sheet."

Mr. Morrissey, who was at one time secretary of the late Congressional Delegation, and who has had many years of experience in journalism, is editor of the Ketchikan Journal and president of the life holding company. Mr. Stone, who formerly owned a paper in Vale, Or., will be business manager and vice president.

PLOT TO DIVIDE RUSSIA, CLAIM

Recognition of Kolchak Branded as First Step in Plot Laid by Victorians in War.

Washington, June 14.—That the partition of Russia among the British, French and Japanese eventually will follow the recognition of the Kolchak government, is the belief of a number of senators who have closely followed the Russian situation.

They think the Kolchak regime typifies the Russia of the czar, the Russia where thousands perished annually so a few might live in splendor.

The big four recognition of Admiral Kolchak was an act filled with cognizance of the events which are to come. Senators say these events will include the fall of the Kolchak regime. Then the allied governments—Great Britain, France and Japan—will "dismember the corpse." The necessity of dismemberment is the reason for their intervention, they say.

To Great Britain would go eastern Russia. France would take the south, while Japan would lay claim to all of Siberia. There was some concern in Washington today over the possibility of the American Siberian expedition being embroiled in the Kolchak-soviet struggle by the big four recognition of the admiral.

San Francisco Man Is Trimmed for \$15,000 By Crooks in Chicago

Chicago, June 14.—(I. N. S.)—Warner Roehl, superintendent of hospitals of San Francisco, reported to the detective bureau here Friday that he had been swindled out of \$15,000 in cash by two confidence men whom he met at the Great Northern hotel.

The swindlers, Roehl said, first let him win \$500 on their tip on a board of trade deal, let him clean up \$83,000 "blue sky" money in a copper deal and then jumped off a moving train while he was asleep in his berth, with \$15,000 he had put up as margin.

Roehl said he first met the swindlers in Chicago three weeks ago and, after "winning" the \$83,000 in the copper deal, he was told he would have to put up \$15,000 margin before he could collect. Roehl went to San Francisco, drew the money and met the men in Los Angeles. While they were on the way to Chicago the men leaped from the train.

Oregon Farmer, Held Prisoner in Germany 3 Years, Coming Home

Corvallis, June 14.—With no previous word from their father for three years or more, children of William C. Abraham, prominent North Benton farmer, are rejoicing over a message received through the Red Cross in which he states that he is well and coming home as soon as he can secure passage.

With his daughter, Mrs. Fred Fischer of Corvallis, Mr. Abraham sailed a number of years ago for Europe. The daughter returned in 1914. Mr. Abraham remained in Germany with the intention of coming home via the Panama canal.

In the meantime Germany declared war and Mr. Abraham was detained, a prisoner.

House Denies Trip

Paris, June 14.—(I. N. S.)—Before departing for London, Colonel House denied English reports that he intends to visit Ireland. He explained that he will only be absent for a week and intends to visit friends in Sussex and possibly to confer with English associates on the League of Nations organization.

Byroads Are Improved

Warren, June 14.—Never before in the history of the county was so much work being carried on by the county commission as by the county by-roads, coupled with the great amount of work being done by the highway commission.

15 Ships Bringing 25,800 Soldiers Are Bound for America

Washington, June 14.—(I. N. S.)—The sailing of 14 troop ships on June 10, and the Regina D'Almeida on June 11, bringing home a total of 25,800 officers and men of the A. E. F., was announced by the war department Friday afternoon. They follow:

The Agamemnon, with 5768 from Brest, due at Newport News June 18; the battleship New Hampshire, with 1259, from Brest, due at Newport News June 22; the battleship Nebraska, with 1214 from Brest, due at Newport News June 22; the Roanoke, with 1391 from St. Nazaire, due at Newport News June 22; the Mexican, with 2885, from St. Nazaire, due at New York June 25; the Iowa, with 1538 from Bordeaux, due at New York June 25; the West Hampton, with 24 casualties, from Bordeaux, due at New York June 25; the Regina D'Almeida, with 1720, from Marseille, with four casualties, from Brest, due at New York June 24; Prinz Frederich Wilhelm, with 3621, from Brest, due at New York June 19, and the Regina D'Almeida, with 1720, from Marseille, with 2102, from St. Nazaire, due at Newport News June 24.

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS CHURCH IS IN SESSION AT NEWBERG

Largest Attendance in Years Is Present; Pageant Shows Work Among Indians.

Newberg, June 14.—With the largest attendance for many years, the Oregon yearly meeting of the Friends church, opened Thursday its 27th annual session, with more than 50 members present who attended the yearly meeting when it was organized in 1892, and a score who had attended every meeting since the original organization.

Among the leading visitors from other parts of the country were the following: Dr. Walter C. Woodward, general secretary of the Five Years Meeting of Friends in America; George H. Moore, president of the American Friends Board of Foreign Missions; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lawrence of League City, Texas, and Katherine Osborne of Entiat, Wash.

The departments of good literature and systematic proportionate giving were the principal ones to report Thursday afternoon, and the reports were followed by an address on the subject of "Christian Stewardship," by Fred E. Carter, pastor of the Newberg church.

After the afternoon meeting, at which the report of the associated executive committee on Indian affairs was read, an interesting pageant was given, showing the nature and importance of Friends work among the Indians. This work was in the hands of Mrs. Joseph Hollingsworth.

The opening meeting of the ministry and oversight, occurred Wednesday afternoon, and was also marked by an attendance far in excess of that of ordinary years. Reports on the spiritual conditions of the membership presented to this meeting were gratifying.

Meetings at 8 a. m. and 8 p. m. under the leadership of Joseph H. Smith will be features of the annual gathering from now on. The morning meetings will be in the nature of studies in prophecy, the evening meetings being evangelistic.

Klamath Soldiers To Organize Branch Of American Legion

Klamath Falls, June 14.—Definite steps toward the formation of a Klamath county branch of the American Legion were taken here when a large number of the boys who saw service were the guests of the Women's Relief corps at an entertainment and banquet. Arlie Worrell was selected as temporary chairman and Fred Nicholson as temporary secretary.

A big meeting of the ex-soldiers in Klamath county is to be called in the near future and at that time permanent organization will be effected. Klamath county had over 600 men in the service, a majority of whom reached France and Belgium.

Judge Drake Dies

Klamath Falls, June 14.—Judge Thomas Drake, for more than two decades a resident of Klamath county, died at his Los Angeles home May 29. About two months ago he went south for his health. He was recognized as one of the best lawyers in Southern Oregon. He was largely responsible in many cases for convictions secured in the local district court of horses and cattle rustlers.

Company Organized

Klamath Falls, June 14.—Articles of incorporation have been prepared for the Klamath Heating company, organized to supply heat to a portion of the business district. It will use sawdust, shavings and other refuse from local box factories to generate the heat. The officers of the company are C. C. Lorenz, president; W. M. Lorenz, vice president; J. W. Siemens, secretary and treasurer.

COMPANY TO DRILL FOR OIL ON LANDS OF KLAMATH COUNTY

Klamath Falls, June 14.—Whether or not oil flows under Klamath's soil, as has often been asserted by experts, will be known before long. The Klamath Oil company, recently incorporated, is prepared to begin drilling in a few days on the Jay Manning farm in the Spring Lake district, about eight miles south of Klamath Falls. The company is backed by several Klamath county men. It has leased several tracts of land besides the one on which operations will be started.

Orth, Overseas, Is Made School Head

Freewater, June 14.—Raymond C. Orth, son of Rev. and Mrs. Orth, lately of the Touchet Congregational church, and a graduate of Whitman college, has been appointed principal of the Freewater school. He was formerly a coach at Whitman and is at present with the American expeditionary forces in France. He is expected home next month.

District School Tax Proposition Would Aid Salary Raise

Newberg, June 14.—A school election will be held here Monday on a district tax of \$20,519, the balance needed to cover next year's budget of school expenditures, which allows an increase in salaries from the superintendent down.

Two Win Helmets

Newberg, June 14.—L. A. Moore of

Newberg and Michael Muller of Dundee, whose purchases of bonds totaled more than \$43,000, have each received a Hun helmet, as the largest individual subscribers to the Victory loan in Yamhill county.

Robert E. Lee Jones Dies

Newberg, June 14.—Yamhill county has lost a prominent citizen in the death of Robert E. Lee Jones, who was born near Newberg 50 years ago. He was the son of William J. and Elizabeth Jones, pioneers. He is survived by his wife, mother, three sons and one daughter.

Depot Safe Looted

Newberg, June 14.—Robbers dynamited the safe in the Southern Pacific freight depot Thursday morning, securing \$16.

Decision Sought on Feeding of Germans

Paris, June 14.—(I. N. S.)—The supreme inter-allied economic council has asked the Big Four for a ruling on what policy it should adopt in negotiations for the revictualing of the new German Rhine republic. The economic council does not know whether to continue dealing with the present German government or the new Rhine authorities.

The Big Four's reply will determine the attitude of the allies toward the Rhine republic.

Mrs. Soderstrom Dies
Albany, June 14.—Born in Sweden 53 years ago, Mrs. Louis E. Soderstrom died at her home in Albany Friday morning, after an illness extending through a long period of time. Mrs. Soderstrom came to America with her parents when she was three years old, and lived in Minnesota for many years. She came to Albany about seven years ago with her husband, who, with seven sons and two daughters, survive her.

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LAST TIMES TODAY

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IN

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First and second episodes will be shown.

TODAY AND ALL WEEK