

FOUR BILLION ASKED FOR GOVERNMENT

Estimates for Various Departments of Government for Next Year Nearly \$1,000,000,000 Higher Than Last Appropriation

By Herbert W. Walker
Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Appropriations of \$4,988,449,857.36 for the regular expenses of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922, were asked of congress today by Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Houston, in submitting the annual estimates of the executive departments.

The amount requested exceeds the appropriations for the current fiscal year by \$65,077,372.68, although it is approximately \$400,000,000 less than the annual estimates submitted by the secretary in 1919.

The requests affecting the Pacific coast are the following:

Harbors at San Francisco and Oakland, \$35,000; Humboldt bay, California, \$760,000; Richmond, Cal., \$100,000; Crescent City, Cal., \$250,000; Puget Sound, Washington district, \$160,000; Columbia and Willamette rivers, \$785,000; flood control, Sacramento river, California, \$500,000.

WILL CUT FIGURES

Although decreased appropriations were asked for many yards, Secretary Daniels requested increased amounts for Pacific coast work. For the navy yard at Puget Sound, Washington, \$3,705,500 was asked, including \$1,015,000 for a freight pier and shed. Other requests were:

Mare Island, California, \$480,000; marine barracks, San Diego, Cal., \$500,000; naval base, San Diego, Cal., \$250,000; for development permanent training station, San Diego, Cal., \$1,000,000; for fuel, storage, Puget Sound, \$1,000,000, and San Diego, \$500,000.

Congress, as it finally passed the current appropriation bill, reduced the last estimates by more than \$1,600,000,000 and Republican leaders have already served notice that requests submitted by Secretary Houston today will receive similar treatment. Compared to the annual appropriation of pre-war years, Houston's estimate is nearly four times as great.

THREE BIG WAR ITEMS

But despite efforts toward economy, actual expenditures may be larger than the estimate, because the amount Secretary Houston asks does not include appropriations necessary for the payment of the six months' guarantee by the government to the railroads after they were returned to private ownership and increased naval expenditures program that will be recommended by Secretary of the Navy Daniels, or any allowance for increased expenditures.

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President Will Not Appear in Person to Read Last Message

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—President Wilson will address the congress "in writing," according to members of the congressional notification committee, which called at the White House today with formal word that congress had met.

Members of the committee took this to mean that the president will not attempt to appear before congress in person with his message tomorrow.

The president received his visitors alone in person, entering to greet them supported only by his cane. Senator Lodge, as spokesman for the two committees, advised the president in the usual formalities that the house and senate were now in session and would be pleased to receive any communication he might wish to make to them.

The committee left immediately after receiving his reply that he would communicate tomorrow.

The president received the members of the committee in the blue room. Senator Lodge told the president of the committee's mission. The president thanked the committee and apologized for appearance before congress with his message. He was said to wish to do so, but his doctor and members of his family were known to have advised against this step.

ASK EXTENSION OF BAN IN SECTION 28

Washington, Dec. 6.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Further suspension of section 28 of the shipping act was recommended by Jay W. McCune of Tacoma and James G. Woodworth, vice president of the Northern Pacific, at a hearing before the shipping board today, at which Chairman Benson presided and Commissioners Teal, Rowell and Thompson participated.

W. L. Clark of Seattle testified that American tonnage in Northwest ports is adequate for all except a few products like shingles and lumber, but that when large passenger liners now building are completed, as they will carry freight.

Woodworth said the Northern Pacific has no traffic arrangements with any steamship line and enforcement of section 28 would fall heavily on Pacific ports handling commodities under export rates, which he described as equalizing rates to meet competitive conditions at other ports.

Woodworth and other witnesses were reminded that the shipping board is not considering the merits of section 28, but only whether adequate American shipping exists to put it into effect.

Woodworth said his company assumed further suspension will be granted and he questioned whether the shipping board has power to divert traffic from one port to another. If it has such power it should not be used, he thought, unless in some great emergency.

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Kahn Will Discuss Japanese Question

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—By unanimous consent the house of representatives today granted Representative Kahn (Republican, California) leave to address the house on the Japanese question. The permission was requested by Representative Randall (Prohibition of California).

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The United States supreme court today granted a motion by the government to advance the trial of the case testing the validity of trading with the enemy act and suits to recover property held by the alien property custodian.

Deputy Reported To Have Used Gun And Fist in Fight

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 6.—In an altercation over an attempt by Deputy Sheriff George Maltman to take a truck from E. C. Earhart on a court order, Monday, Maltman is said to have drawn a revolver on Earhart and, when the gun was taken from him by witnesses, to have hit Earhart in the face with his fist. Later he swore out a warrant charging Earhart with attempting to "intimidate" an officer.

When Maltman appeared Earhart is said to have remarked that he desired to keep the truck as he had a labor lien against it and wanted to consult his attorney. He asked Maltman to show his authority and this is said to have enraged Maltman. The charge against Earhart will be heard Tuesday afternoon.

Mexican Rail Men On General Strike

Vera Cruz, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—A general strike was ordered today by employees of the Mexican railway. Dockworkers and stevedores at Vera Cruz voted to strike in sympathy. The railway strikers issued a manifesto warning strikebreakers of dire consequences if they attempt to take the strikers' place.

The mayor of Vera Cruz telegraphed the federal government at Mexico City for troops to handle the situation.

STEEL MAKING MAY BECOME OREGON ASSET

Use of Distilled Gas From Wood Burning Perfected With View of Displacing Charcoal; Promoter Here Making Investigation.

Plans which may revolutionize methods of steel making and bring about establishment of this industry on a major scale in Oregon, are said to have been evolved by F. T. Snyder, president of the F. T. Snyder Electric Furnace company of New York, who is in Portland to determine feasibility of adapting his plan to this state.

Snyder has perfected a plan whereby he distills a gas from wood burning. This gas is intended to supplant charcoal in the steel conversion process and with the aid of an electric furnace attachment converts pig iron into steel in one process. Steel making as done with charcoal is a triplicate process.

Since wood is one of the main factors entering into Snyder's process he has turned to Oregon as the place most suitable for location of steel making plants using his system.

In Oregon more wood is available for gas distillation furnace than any other state. Tree tops, stumps and timber slashings are said to be sufficient for the purpose. Snyder is also interested in plans for development of the iron mines and establishment of a smelter at Columbia City which have been carried on in Columbia county this year.

Snyder has had long experience in electric furnace production and the company of which he is president is one of the largest and most successful in the East. His iron process has been outlined to representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and the Oregon bureau of mines and geology.

PLAN INVESTIGATED

In cooperation with H. M. Parks, director of the bureau of mines, Snyder has been working for several days to

SIX DESTROYERS LEAVE HARBOR

Full steam ahead was ordered at 8:30 o'clock this morning aboard the sextet of destroyers which for three days has been anchored at the North Bank dock. One hour later the flotilla of the Twelfth division of the Pacific fleet was reported to be in the Columbia river.

The 1200 officers and "troops" who came to Portland Friday afternoon for the game between the Pacific fleet football team and Multnomah club, left with a cheer and a prayer on their lips; a cheer for the victory that they won over Multnomah, and a prayer for calmer weather than they experienced on the northbound journey.

All Sunday afternoon after 1:30 o'clock thousands of Portlanders flocked to the sea-going crafts. Visitors had to be kept in line to await their turn to board the vessels.

It was impossible to check the number of people who visited the vessels, but fully 3000 must have clambered over them. The visitors were not contented to visit the crafts from galley to bridge, but they wanted to dig down into the furnace rooms and climb the rigging.

SAILORS KEPT BUSY

Although Lieutenant Commander Willson, commander of the flotilla, granted all the enlisted men shore leave of as long duration as possible, there were enough men aboard to tell the visitors all about the life of fighting ships.

The sailors kept busy during the afternoon had their hands full. The "landlubbers" may see a ship every day of his life, but he can always conjure a new question when he boards a sea craft.

"What'da think?" said one of the sailors, "one bird wanted to know where the scupper were and then right away he wanted to know if we had a fo'c'sle. He said he never saw a warship before, but he sure had been reading sea tales."

ENJOY HIGHWAY TRIP

Sunday morning most of the visitors were taken for trips over the Columbia river highway. Automobiles were provided for the officers and the enlisted men from 9:30 to 11 o'clock. Lunch was served at Multnomah Falls.

The vessels were open to inspection until 5 o'clock and then were almost deserted by the 1200 officers and sailors during the evening for shore leave. Accompanied by soldiers from Vancouver barracks they reigned the streets until early this morning.

The vessels will probably stop at Mare Island yard on their way to San Diego.

CONGRESS ASKED TO INQUIRE INTO GRAIN PLOT OF FOREIGNERS

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Investigation by the federal commission of the "operations and activities of foreign elements in the grain trade of the United States" is provided in a resolution introduced in the house today by Representative Steenerson, Republican, Minnesota.

The resolution charges that "the grain markets of the United States are no longer opened to free and natural operation of the laws of supply and demand, but are monopolized, controlled and manipulated at will by the influence of foreign governments."

Big Storm on North Pacific Coast, Report

Indications of a severe storm on the North Pacific coast were noted by E. L. Wells, chief of the United States weather bureau. While no extremely high winds have occurred as yet, Wells expects high winds tonight and Tuesday.

Portland rain and southeast winds is the forecast.

Son Shoots Robber Holding Up Parents

Elma, Wash., Dec. 6.—When the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Knowles, an old couple residing four miles east of Elma, heard a strange voice in the front room of his parents' home and peeked in to find the parents with their hands in the air, held up by a lone robber, the son shot the bandit through the body. The man refuses to reveal his identity and is in custody at Montesano, seriously wounded. The younger Knowles and his wife were preparing dinner in the kitchen when the man entered the house.

CRIME WAVE GROWS BAKER OFF TO SOUTH

One hundred and thirty-nine burglaries. Twenty-six holdups. Thirty-one arrests. These 31 arrests were for 62 of the above crimes, a little over one third of the total.

This is the record from the Portland police bureau of the robberies that have occurred in September, October and November, and it shows the helplessness of the police throughout the fall months—the beginning of the season when crime and criminals thrive best—cope with the situation.

The thugs, not content with the score during the last quarter of 1920 to 31, have started out more ambitiously than ever, the second quarter with a Sunday night score of 17 to 0.

MAYOR GOES SOUTH

This report of wholesale banditry comes with the news that Mayor Baker has left for California for a two week stay, leaving to Chief Jenkins the problem of trying to stop a crime wave with less men available to patrol the city than there were three years ago. At that time the department declared adequate police protection could not be given the city because the department was too small.

The mayor before leaving announced a shake-up in the women's division of the police bureau. This shake-up will consist in restoring her position to Mrs. L. G. Baldwin, head of the division, who has been away on war leave on special service for the federal government. Mrs. G. J. Frankel, who has been acting as head of the division during the war period, will assist Mrs. Baldwin, at least until the latter gets firmly back in the saddle.

CHIEF WARNS MEN

A general order to every policeman in Portland to do more work or quit, was issued at noon today by Chief L. V. Jenkins. All men found loafing are to be discharged, the chief said.

More complete reports were demanded of the police. Orders were also issued to Lieutenant Ervin to put his footmen in the residence section. Lieutenant Ervin has been ordered to return to headquarters from the East Side station with his eight emergency motorcycle men and place them at the disposal of the night captains. The first and second night captains also change back to their former hours.

CRIMES ON INCREASE

According to crime authorities, in winter months there are more crimes in big cities. All over the United States since the war, it has been noted that there is a tendency to increase in the "crime wave." Compared to other cities Portland's September record is said to be

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FINANCE BILL FAVORED

War-time prohibition and all other war time legislation, except the trading-with-the-enemy act, the alien property control act and the Lever food control act, would be made ineffective by a resolution introduced in the house by Representative Baer of North Dakota.

Repeal of the war finance corporation bill, prepared by Senator Norris, Republican, of Nebraska, will be favorably reported to the senate tomorrow.

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STOCKS SAG UNDER BEAR PRESSURES

New York, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Stocks suffered sharp declines on the stock market today under urgent selling by the bear element. Losses of from 2 to 10 points were general.

The greatest decline was suffered in Mexican Petroleum, which dropped 11 points. The Standard Oil of New York common fell over 1 point to 8 1/2. Southern Pacific and Reading declined over 2 points. Crucible fell 5 points and Atlantic Gulf 4 points. American Agricultural dropped 10 points.

'Marie Allen' Sought As 'Chief' of Gang Of Auto Thieves

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Police this afternoon sent out a call for the arrest of "Marie Allen" of San Francisco, said to be the brains of the best and biggest automobile theft gang on the Pacific coast. The girl is known to the gang as "chief," according to a confession by J. H. McDonald, said to be a member of the gang. McDonald is under arrest here.

The gang is said to have ramifications in Seattle, Tacoma, Portland and other coast cities. Scores of stolen cars are said to have been driven from Northwest cities by the thieves, altered, and resold in other cities.

Marie Allen was in Spokane from November 20 to 28, according to McDonald. She is supposed to have left for San Francisco.

Baseball Is "Sport," Says Court; Verdict Of \$240,000 Reversed

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Baseball, professional or otherwise, is not commerce or trade, "it is sport," said Chief Justice Smyth of the court of appeals today in an opinion reversing the verdict of the district supreme court awarding the Federal baseball league of Baltimore \$240,000 in its suit against the National League of Professional Baseball clubs for alleged violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. The case is remanded for trial.

"The players," the court held, "travel from place to place interstate commerce, but they are not the game. Not until they come into contact with their opponents on the baseball field an dice contest does the game come into existence. It is local in its beginning and in its end. Nothing is transferred in the process to those who patronize it."

SLAYER BOYD GANGSTER, SAY GIRL VICTIMS

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Speedy justice will be meted out to the five members of the Howard street gang under indictment for fearfully assaulting Miss Jessie Montgomery and Miss Jean Stanley on Thanksgiving eve.

Edward (Kay) Kruvosky, "Spud" Murphy, James Carey, Thomas Brady and Allen McDonald appeared before Judge Ward today and entered pleas of not guilty to the serious charges against them.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The motive for the triple slaying here late yesterday of three officers of the peace by George Boyd was established in a dramatic manner here today.

Boyd was positively identified as he lay on his cot in the Sonoma county jail seriously wounded as one of the Howard street gang responsible for outlawing at least a dozen girls in San Francisco.

Miss Jessie Montgomery, as soon as she saw Boyd, declared that he was one of the men who attacked herself and Miss Jean Stanley on Thanksgiving eve.

Miss Pearl Hanley and Miss Edna Fuller then identified him as one of the gang that had attacked them at the Howard street shack on November 10.

The three girls also identified Charles Valenti as one of the Howard street gang.

Boyd made a formal confession today to District Attorney Hoyle, declaring that he fired all of the shots at the three officers, killing Sheriff James Petray, Detective Sergeant Miles Jackson and Detective Lester Dorman.

Police established that Boyd's true name is George Barren. They said he was a lumberjack and came to San Francisco from Seattle.

The city was comparatively quiet to-day.

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HARDING ASKS CLEAR DECK BY MARCH 4

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—President-elect Harding today asked senators with whom he conferred at the capitol to speed up the passage of appropriation bills during the present short session of congress and have the decks thoroughly cleared for an extra session shortly after he is inaugurated, March 4.

Harding announced he had arranged his pair with Senator Underwood, the Democratic leader.

Harding said he thought an extra session of congress will be called very soon after his inauguration. His own experience, he said, was that congress could work very effectively in the spring months if the appropriations were out of the way.

TO REVISE TAXATION

There will be a revision of the taxing system, Harding said, without going into details.

Harding's retirement from the senate will be between the 10th and 15th of January. Senator-elect Willis will be appointed Harding's successor as soon as a Republican governor is inaugurated January 10.

Harding said he is hopeful that a budget bill will be passed by the present congress. There is still some uncertainty as to how long he will remain at Marion, he said, but probably until the latter part of January. He will not be in Washington again for his inauguration, he said.

The president-elect also addressed the senate as a member of that body. He told his colleagues in a brief, informal way, that while he would endeavor to be mindful of the senate's place and responsibility in the government, he would also endeavor to expect the senate to remember its place.

His speech was made after Senator Lodge, Republican leader, asked the chair to recognize "the senator from Ohio."

HARDING SPEAKS

Senator Lodge, in asking recognition for Senator Harding to address the senate, refrained from calling attention to the fact "that this is a memorable occasion."

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MAISEL MAY GET INTO BIG LEAGUE

George Maisei, captain and center fielder of the Portland baseball club, will get another chance in the big league, probably with the New York Giants, next spring.

This admission was made Monday by Manager McCredie of the Beavers when asked if he would trade or sell Maisei to the Seattle Rainiers. Presently, Maisei is the Rainiers' and his chief lieutenant, Bill Kenworthy, arrived here Monday to discuss trades or purchases with the Seattle Rainiers.

DEAL IS FAVORED

"I received a wire from Maisei Saturday," said McCredie, "in which he stated that he had arranged for a conference with John McGraw of the New York Giants. Maisei's desire to play in the East has prompted McCredie to allow him to arrange a deal for himself and if he can secure the promise of a couple of good players in exchange for his services the deal with the Giants will go through."

"If the Seattle club wants 'Tex' Wister and pitcher Sam Ross, I will give these two players for Eldred or Murphy and Geary. I will not sell the Rainiers any players, because they are going to be hard to get in the spring."

CONFERENCE PLANNED

A conference has been arranged for this afternoon between Klepper and Kenworthy and the McCredies, but there is little likelihood of any deal being consummated, according to Maisei, taken by Manager McCredie.

Klepper and Kenworthy will return to Seattle either Monday night or Tuesday, remaining there until it is time to attend the Coast league meeting at Sacramento December 15. After the Coast meeting the Seattle leaders plan an eastern trip to secure additional players for the 1921 Rainier club.

Big Shells Exploded; Damage Is \$100,000

New York, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Naval officials today were seeking the cause of the fire which late yesterday set off some 60 six and ten-inch shells on the lighter Markham, at the Port Hamilton wharf, Brooklyn, resulting in the bombardment and shattering of houses within a three-mile radius, the injury of a score of persons and \$100,000 damage.

Baseball Is "Sport," Says Court; Verdict Of \$240,000 Reversed

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Baseball, professional or otherwise, is not commerce or trade, "it is sport," said Chief Justice Smyth of the court of appeals today in an opinion reversing the verdict of the district supreme court awarding the Federal baseball league of Baltimore \$240,000 in its suit against the National League of Professional Baseball clubs for alleged violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. The case is remanded for trial.

"The players," the court held, "travel from place to place interstate commerce, but they are not the game. Not until they come into contact with their opponents on the baseball field an dice contest does the game come into existence. It is local in its beginning and in its end. Nothing is transferred in the process to those who patronize it."

Central European Trade Is Advocated

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Congressional action to bring about "active trade relations with the Central as well as other powers of Europe" is urged in resolutions adopted by delegates to the second annual convention of the American Farm Bureau federation, which opened here today.