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POWER OF PRESIDENT AND SENATE ISOLATION BLOC: ADMINISTRATION MUST FACE BIG ISSUE

By David Lawrence

Washington, Jan. 26.—Senator Brandegee's pronouncement that the United States is not bound by the treaty policy of the president or secretary of state without the consent of the senate is the sensation of the hour.

Foreign governments whose representatives have been at a loss to understand the constitutional system of the United States ever since an American president signed a contract which the senate repudiated are bewildered over the new turn of events.

The truth is a controversy has been brewing under the surface between President Harding's former colleagues on the Republican side of the senate chamber and the secretary of state, which, if carried to a logical conclusion, may mean a revolutionary change in the importance of a secretary of state and of American ambassadors abroad.

LEADS ISOLATION BLOC

Senator Brandegee is the leader of the "isolation bloc" but the views he expresses about the necessity of getting the consent of the senate before an international act of the United States government can be binding is not something of recent origin.

President Harding himself has recognized the weight of the movement which seeks to prevent the chief executive by a resolution on foreign affairs, which the government is authorized to act from which the senate cannot honorably extricate itself.

PRECEDENT INVOLVED

Whether it would be sufficient to consult the foreign relations committee of the senate as in the past, or whether a two-thirds vote must be obtained before any important answer can be given to an inquiring congress is yet to be determined.

BRANDEGEE'S VIEWPOINT

Senator Brandegee's views in a nutshell are these: "I assume that this country can act without the consent of congress in a conference by the results of which it will be bound.

"I do not consider that the government of the United States is bound by the president or the secretary of state, or the president and the other members of his cabinet, or all three of them together.

"When it comes to making contracts with foreign nations my idea is that the government of the United States is not bound without the consent of congress unless it be by a treaty, in which case the government is not bound without the consent of the president or secretary of state and two-thirds of the senate.

"I never have entertained that view in my view of the president and his executive branch of the government and his business is to enforce the foreign policies which are determined by the constitutional authorities which can represent the government.

"For the president to so maneuver and manipulate things as to get the government into a position where it cannot extricate itself honorably without congress agreeing to whatever position the executive might have taken is a gross abuse of power.

The question being asked an every day today was, "What would Charles Evans Hughes, secretary of state, say about that?"

COX CHARGES REPUBLICANS WITH FAILURE

Former Ohio Governor Declares Distress in America Due to Treachery of Senator Lodge; Defends Wilson's Policies.

(By United News)

Dayton, Jan. 26.—James M. Cox, defeated candidate for president in the last election, and former governor of Ohio, is back in political harness.

Furthermore, a speech delivered by Cox at a belated Jackson day banquet here Wednesday night, in which he attacked the Republican administration, is taken to indicate that the era in which Democratic leaders have refrained from comment or criticism of the Republican program is ended.

The congressional campaign may be said to have now been launched, and with the Democrats again taking the field under Wilsonian principles, including the League of Nations.

FAITH STILL FIRM

"There can no more be American isolation in the thought than in the action," Cox declared in his speech. "Our faith in the official pronouncements of 1920 is unaffected by the result of the election of that year. We have not retreated a step. We are ready for our very next fight. We stand in our very tracks, just where we were when the vote was counted."

Several hundred leading Democrats attended the banquet, including Joseph Tumulty, former secretary to President Wilson, Senator Pomeroy and Senator Harrison.

Cox compared business conditions as they existed under the Wilson administration and under the administration of President Harding, and directed other criticisms at the present arms conference in Washington, and Senator Lodge.

TAKES ACTIVE PART

Earlier, in an interview, Cox declared the breaking of his long silence meant he intended taking an active part in the coming elections, and that he would take the stump in Massachusetts and other Eastern states.

INFLUENCE IN QUESTION

Cox declared the nation may drift into the League of Nations "under the existing regime, but our participation under such auspices would be ill-considered."

O. M. Barton, Oregon Pioneer of 1851, Dies

Baker, Jan. 26.—O. M. Barton, Oregon pioneer of 1851, died here Wednesday following an illness of several days.

Another Dynasty May Fall

Lordly Janitor on Carpet

By Alexander F. Jones

Chicago, Jan. 26.—Taking as precedent the summary manner in which Wilhelm was run into Holland, Nicholas packed off to Siberia and Charles hustled to Madeira, audacious commovers in this hamlet are seeking to fethrone nine janitors of the blood.

It is the astounding object of the commonwealth of Illinois to strip these nobles of all royal prerogatives and to convict them in the same manner ordinary serfs are carried before the law.

They are charged with blowing up apartments, burning down a school building, constructing, extending large sums allowing the home fires to burn, and all manner of unsuspected high-bidery.

OTHER CITIES WATCH CASE

Not is this trial of interest to Chicago alone. Unbelieving worms from near and far are coming to see them, to take notes and to carry back to their respective cities to confer with authorities.

Chest Works Like Magic Against Want

Somebody's mother, happy and secure, spending her twilight days in the comfortable home made for her through your contribution and those of others to the Community Chest.

Somebody's baby, sheltered with tenderness, because of the Community Chest.

Somebody's dad relieved of the specter of famine and cold by the food and the shelter that came to him from the Community Chest.

Somebody's sister brought back into the straight path and reprovived with hope and happiness through the Community Chest.

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PUBLIC URGES THAT HIGHWAY BE OPENED UP

Great Scenic Route Blocked by Ice for Two Months; Unless It Is Cleared It May Be Closed Until Late in the Summer.

CONFERENCE ON HIGHWAY BLOCKADE TO BE CALLED

Charles Rudeen, chairman of the county commission, just before noon today announced:

"I will call a conference of the county commission, state highway commission, Hood River county commission, engineers and local business men for Monday or Tuesday of next week to take up the plan for clearing the Columbia river highway."

"I am in favor of clearing the highway, not a part of it, but all the way through. The cost, however, must be within our reach. We must not waste the public funds."

The Columbia river highway is a broken link.

For two months it has been closed. Most communication through the Cascade mountains between Portland and the interior is cut off.

According to all present appearances it will be summer, and it may be late summer, before the highway is opened.

In the meantime the snow blocked road presents these phases of a problem that demands immediate solution:

The damage to the highway from its load of snow and ice.

The loss to business through suspension of traffic.

The loss in interest on the investment in the highway.

Against these arguments which support clearing the highway without the loss of an unnecessary hour is one possible negative argument—Is the project practical from the standpoint of cost and the amount of work to be done?

A representative of The Journal in company with Phil Metcalf, a director of the Pacific Northwest Tourist association, traversed the snow blocked road Wednesday as far as Multnomah falls.

It was at once apparent that Portland people and others are leaving the road which nature has presented in a decade-catastrophe of solid ice, water-logged banks, blizzards upon great ice waterfalls and double ice bridges, a magnificent temple of winter frozen in manner both beautiful and bizarre.

But it was equally apparent that steps to clear the highway must go all the way through, including Multnomah and Hood River county portions of the road and make a through route for clamping traffic.

The puny things already done in highway clearing at the mouth of the Little torch had made some holes that looked less pretentious than that left by a motorist in slipping out of his machine. The snow which had been shoveled from the one-legged viaduct and it was evident that had this measures not been taken.

WIND VELOCITY IS 60 MILES AN HOUR

Gales of 60 miles velocity were sweeping over the North Head station of the Pacific Northwest Tourist association and caused the weather bureau to conclude that the storm was a cyclone.

Two ICE JAMS FORMED IN UPPER COLUMBIA SECTION

Arlington, Or., Jan. 25.—An ice jam in the Columbia river has formed at Castle, about 20 miles above here, also one at Arlington, causing a rise of two, or more feet in the river above this point.

FIXED WINDOW \$200

A gray haired widow owning a small apartment told how she was "fixed" \$200 for carrying ashes from her own cellar.

Another witness, John P. Nussbaum, wealthy owner of a large apartment, said it was too expensive to employ a Chinook man, so he attempted to do it himself. He was caught, "fined" \$600 and told never to let it happen again.

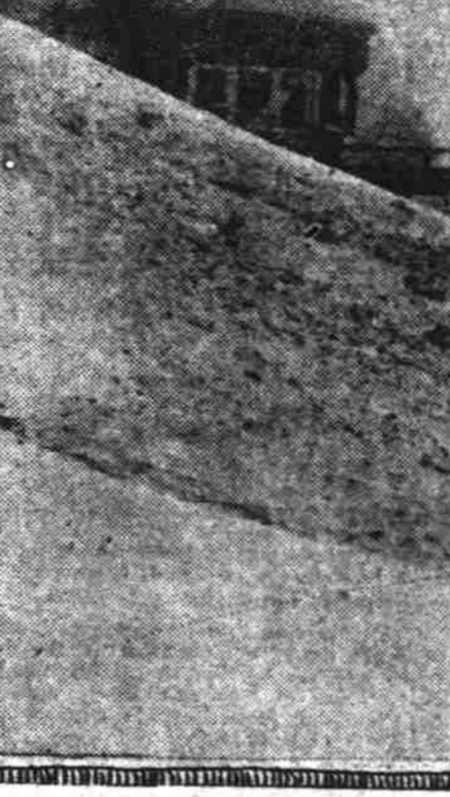
Penalty for refusal to pay "fines," it was testified, was complete boycott of the building. No deliveries could be made to the unfortunate apartment, which might just as well be a lepers' retreat, as newly captured Nubian lion gives the gawking idler near his cage.

INSOLENCE NOT COVERED

Richard L. Williams, another owner, told of discharging a janitor for insolence to a tenant.

Ice-Bound Columbia River Highway

VIEW of the Columbia river highway near Mist falls showing avalanche of ice that has covered the roadway since the great sleet storm of November 18-20. Other sections are similarly blocked. Coordinated action of state and county officials and private citizens is urged that traffic may be resumed over this trunk highway into Central Oregon at the earliest date.



BLOC INDORSED; HARDING IGNORED

Washington, Jan. 26.—(U. P.)—Directly in the face of President Harding's reiterated opposition to the farm bloc, the agricultural conference this afternoon adopted a resolution commending it.

In the same resolution Harding and the secretary of agriculture and the joint congressional committee on agriculture were commended for their work in the interest of agriculture.

The resolution was reported by the committee on agriculture and the joint congressional committee on agriculture, which was introduced by Senator G. H. Hays.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Among other recommendations made by the committee were the following:

Commending the department of justice and the department of commerce for their efforts to reduce retail prices, and urging more vigorous action along that line.

That the government make every effort to put the agricultural industry on a par with every other industry.

Commending the arms conference for its efforts to support for the American people.

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High Tariff On Wool Will Boost Prices

Washington, Jan. 26.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The agricultural tariff bloc of which Senator Gooding of Idaho is the head, composed entirely of Republicans, and which should not be confused with the non-partisan agricultural bloc, is asking a rate of 45 cents on secured content wool for one year after passage of the proposed tariff and a permanent rate of 35 cents, secured wool basis.

The schedule is being written by Senator Gooding of Idaho and the finance committee probably will grant the rate.

Portland wool men were surprised at the proposal for a 45 cent temporary and 35 cent permanent tariff on wool.

The present emergency tariff places a practical embargo on foreign wool but the Gooding schedule would be one of the highest ever known.

It means, wool men said today, that the price of clothing is bound to advance rather than decrease.

The wool sales held in Portland a week ago showed a tremendous advance in the price of wool over a year ago, some of the better grades more than doubling.

5 WHITE SALMON BUILDINGS BURN

White Salmon, Wash., Jan. 26.—Five buildings, the oldest, ones of the town, were burned to the ground this morning.

Dr. Warner, who had offices in one of the buildings, broke some ribs when he fell from a second floor window in attempting to escape.

The fire broke out at 4:30 o'clock in Dr. Warner's office over a harness shop, from an overheated stove, it is believed. It spread rapidly to the Christian Science church and three empty furniture warehouses.

By piling snow on a picture show building adjacent the harness shop fire fighters saved it from catching fire. No damage was done to the picture show building, which was at the other end of the string of blazing buildings.

Dynamite was used to blow up portions of the buildings to keep the fire from spreading.

A hay and grain storage building across the street from the burning buildings caught fire several times, but each time the blaze was extinguished.

The burned buildings were in the west end of the town. They were built about 20 years ago. Damage was estimated at about \$5000.

Engineers' Chapter Opens Meet Friday; Speakers Are Listed

The first annual convention of the Oregon chapter of the American Association of Engineers will open Friday morning in the Multnomah hotel.

Subjects for all the sessions and their subjects:

Friday—"Accounts for the Engineer," C. Ed. Ross; "Engineering Fees," J. C. Steward; "The Engineer's Point of View," Stuart S. H. A. McKeen.

Saturday—"Public Service and the Engineer," George L. Baker; "Oregon Shipyards for Oregon Products," W. D. Dodson; "Portland Chamber of Commerce," "Hiding Our Light in a Bushel," "Digging Oregon Out of a Hole," Major J. Parks; "United States Corps of Engineers," "The Engineer in Oregon Development," J. W. Brewer; "Underground Work," W. B. Dennis; "State Bureau of Mines," "Personal Supervision of Prominent Engineers," Perry C. Salom.

Roosevelt Names 5 More Trustees for Wilson Foundation

New York, Jan. 25.—(L. N. S.)—Five additional trustees for the Woodrow Wilson foundation were announced today by Franklin D. Roosevelt, chairman of the national committee.

They are: Cyrus H. McCormick, Chicago; Henry Morgenthau, New York; former ambassador to Turkey; Roland S. Morpha, Philadelphia, former ambassador to Japan; President Ernest A. Hopkins of Dartmouth college; Hanover, N. H.; and William J. Mayo, M. D., Rochester, Minn.

Bonus Bill Hearings Will Begin Tuesday

Washington, Jan. 26.—(L. N. S.)—Hearings upon the soldier's bonus bill will be opened next Tuesday before the house ways and means committee. It was decided today by the Republican members of the committee by a vote of 14 to 1.

P. R. L. & P. WEEDING OUT WAR SLACKER

Demands Loyalty to U. S. Above Loyalty to Company; Citizenship Is Held Essential; Many Veteran Employes Are Let Out.

Loyalty to the United States will be placed above loyalty to duty as a requirement for those seeking continued employment with the P. R. L. & P. according to a policy adopted by the company and announced today at the employment office.

As a result of this policy, the company has started to weed out slackers and those who have retained their allegiance to foreign countries. They will be let out as slackers.

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GERMANS TEAR OUT NEW STREET NAMES

Infatuated with names and traditions of the old world, German-born residents of the southern east side district, where streets named for German idols were changed to those of allied heroes, have twice dug out the new names from cement sidewalks.

The city council, under protest from petitioners, decided a few weeks ago that the new names—Ferdinand, Hag, Lafayette and McLaughlin—given during the war, should stay. The old names were chiseled from the walks and the new ones laid in fresh cement.

The people of the district who petitioned to have the old German names—Bismarck, Frederick and the others—stored, now that the war is over, are suspected of having taken the matter into their own hands to show the city council something.

The bureau of public works patiently replaced the cement and the new names. A second time they were torn out. This was Wednesday night. Now the police are looking for the marauders.

"It isn't a question of Germany or anything," said A. G. Johnson, assistant commissioner. "City property has been destroyed. We are going to get the people responsible and put them in jail."

In commenting on the outrage City Attorney Grant said the act opens up public property, and that for the offense there is a fine from \$25 to \$1000 or imprisonment not to exceed two years, or both. That the offenders, if proven guilty, should be given the "limit" was his opinion.

The original petition for the change back to the German names was signed by 64 residents of the Brooklyn section.

Arbuckle Defense Wins Wrangle Over Maid's Testimony

San Francisco, Jan. 26.—(L. N. S.)—The defense emerged victorious in another long legal wrangle today which delayed progress of the second trial of Roscoe "Pat" Arbuckle.

Judge Louderback declined to rule the testimony of Kate Brennan, chambermaid, who testified for the defense, incomplete because of the fact that she had some time ago been committed to an institution for the insane. He held that her testimony on the stand did not indicate that she was incompetent at the time she testified. The jury retired during the arguments.

Three Union Men At Chicago Indicted

Chicago, Jan. 26.—Secret indictments were returned by the county grand jury charging three officials of the steam fitters' union and three contractors. The charges were not made public, although the men are known