

PACKING HOUSE OFFICIALS AIR THEIR OPINIONS

Give Testimony Before Senate and House Committees at Meeting

HENEY IS ALSO WITNESS

Charges "Big Five" With Throttling Industry Throughout Country

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Officials of independent packing and stock yard firms appeared before the senate and agriculture and house interstate commerce committees today in opposition to legislation for government supervision of the meat packing industry. Francis J. Heney of San Francisco, who was chief counsel for the federal trade commission in its investigation of the five big packing concerns, also was a witness before the senate committee. William Magiviny, president of the St. Paul Union Stock Yards, told the house committee that government intervention would cause more harm than good, and suggested that in the light of its experience in fixing the price of wheat the government should go slow in attempting to fix meat prices. D. W. Tallafiero, vice president and general manager of the Detroit packing firm of Hammond, Standish & Company, testifying before the senate committee said that while he was opposed to government ownership he believed that would be better than an attempt by the government to regulate packing houses and stock yards. Denying that profits of packing concerns had increased under the licensing system, Mr. Tallafiero said his company's profits in 1918 were only about 22 per cent on the capital stock, whereas in 1917 it was around 88 per cent. Mr. Heney in his testimony charged that the "big five" packers "have throttled the packing industries throughout the country to build an artificial monopoly at Chicago, where prices are fixed for the entire country." The witness also said the packers were interested in securing representation on the council of national defense because it was expected committees would be formed for purchasing food supplies. Correspondence from the packers' files, he added, shows there were many ways in which they expected to benefit from the activities of the council. Joseph Taggart, former representative from Kansas, denied before the senate committee that while a member of congress he was favorable to the packers in legislative action, as was indicated by the testimony offered recently by Mr. Heney.

ROAD BILLS ARE PILING UP HIGH

In House Yesterday Whole Batch of Them Assail the Desk Clerks

Representative Sheldon started the road bill a rolling with considerable speed in the house yesterday when he introduced a number of bills on roads and highway matters. One would make a speed limit of 20 miles an hour on state highways; another would provide an emergency fund for the highway commission of \$30,000 and with a companion bill allow for speedy payment of claims for loss of or material where such are deemed necessary by the commission; a third would empower the commission to sell obsolete equipment, and still another would provide for the highway commission establishing a system of road signs on state highways. Still another would have the present vehicle road law extend to the counties east of the Cascade mountains.

LONG DISTANCE PHONE

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RESTRAINING ORDER ISSUED CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 20.—An order restraining the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone company from putting into effect at midnight the new schedule of rates as provided by Postmaster General Burleson's recent rule, was issued tonight by the West Virginia's public service commission in determining the authority of the postmaster general.

CASE LEFT TO COURTS

CHICAGO, Jan. 20.—Officials from the Chicago Telephone company said tonight that, as a result of the injunction the new schedule for toll and long distance telephone rates authorized by Postmaster General Burleson will not be effective on local or inter-state calls until the courts have decided the case.

SUIT IS EXPECTED

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 20.—The Ohio public utilities commission and State Attorney General John G. Price will take action tomorrow to prevent collection in Ohio of the new toll and long distance telephone rates approved by Postmaster General Burleson effective at midnight tonight. It was indicated that the action probably will be an injunction suit.

Marines Serving in War May Gain Tax Exemption

All marines who have served in the war, and their widows will be exempt from taxation up to \$2000 under the provisions of a measure offered in the house yesterday by Westerlund.

REPRESENTATIVE ATTACKS LEAGUE

Barnhart Cites Own Experience—Says Organization Is Injustice

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Activities of the security league were criticized today by Representative Barnhart of Indiana before the special house committee investigating the league. Citing his own case, Mr. Barnhart said the league had attacked him as having "voted wrong" on six of the eight measures included on the congressional chart and "not voting" on another. He declared he had voted for every preparedness and war measure passed by the house and signed by the president and the measures on which he was reported as voting "wrong" were inconsequential partisan issues. "Time and again I called the attention of the league to the great injustice it was doing me, but I received only evasive replies," the congressman said. "No attempt was made to rectify the wrong. The league would not even say that the reason I had not voted on one of the measures was because I was at the bedside of my dying wife."

Mr. Barnhart said the league was an organization fathered by the capitalists of the country to defeat congressmen who refused to bow to their wishes and to give clean records to those who had put money into their pockets by voting for the declaration of war and who sought to protect them by voting against the income tax.

"These war profiteers conceived the idea of the league, contributed money to pay its expenses, and hired tools to do their rotten work," Mr. Barnhart said. In replying to Mr. Barnhart, Mr. Orth said the congressman had made many assertions which could not be borne out by facts.

PHYSICAL PROBE OF PEN STARTED

Members of House Committee to Serve Named Yesterday by Speaker Jones

Representative Hughes, Hosford, Home, Gordon, Thompson, Childs and Haines were selected by Speaker Jones yesterday as a committee of the house to investigate the physical condition of the buildings at the state penitentiary and to file a report upon the same with the house. The committee was selected upon a motion of Mr. Hughes made week and in his motion it was plainly stated that the examination was to extend no further than an examination as to the physical condition of the structures.

Marion County Man Sends in Bill for Publicity

Representative Weeks of Marion county yesterday sent into the house desk his bill to provide that assessors shall list grain, fruit and berry lands and products. This measure would have the assessors file their statements on their findings in this regard with the secretary of state, and would give wide publicity to the development of Oregon along these lines. The bill has met with favorable comment from a number of the members.

Would Guarantee Bond Payments by the State

Gallagher introduced in the house yesterday a bill which would provide for the state guaranteeing the payment of interest and principal on irrigation and land improvement district bonds. This measure if passed by the legislature, will be referred to a vote of the people.

State's Scenic Resources May Gain Appropriation

Scenic resources of the Pacific Northwest would continue to be advertised by the Pacific Northwest tourist association for the next two years under a measure proposed by the delegations of Josephine and Jackson counties. They are asking for \$25,000 annual appropriation for the biennial and would continue this form of advertising in the manner that it has been done in the past.

G. A. R. POST ELECTS.

Dallas, Ore., Jan. 20.—(Special to The Statesman)—At a meeting of U. S. Grant Post G. A. R. held in the armory this week the following officers were elected to office for the ensuing year: Commander, David Smutz; senior vice commander, John Steinfeld; junior vice commander, Isaac Phillips; adjutant, B. Lovelace; surgeon, H. P. Shriver; chaplain, J. R. Marsh; officer of the day, C. G. Fuqua; officer of the guard, David Darling; patriotic instructor, E. H. McDugal; sergeant major, E. L. Johnson. The officers were installed by Past Commander John R. Marsh.

BILL CARES FOR ALLOWANCES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The house today passed a bill providing that no reimbursement shall be required, except in cases of fraud, for government allowances paid, but later cancelled, to dependents named dependents by enlisted men.

CITY TO AID SUIT

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es. Of this amount several hundred dollars will come back from patients able to pay for the care given them and from sale of the furnishing of the hospital.

By passage of a resolution it was left up to Mayor Albin and City Physician J. Ray Pemberton to say when the existing ban shall be removed. Present closing orders were amended so as to include bowling alleys.

Goodie on Park Board

Election of the city park board resulted in the designation of R. B. Goodie to serve the three year term. J. W. Maruny, the two year period and John J. Roberts for the one year term. The personnel of the playground board has not yet been announced.

Both ordinances, fostered by Chief of Police Varney, changing the present city regulations regarding importation of alcoholic liquors and purchase of cigarettes by minors so as to correspond with the state laws passed the second reading and were held over until the next council meeting.

Petition to gravel an alley caused the council to do away with the old established precedent of graveling unimproved streets and alleys upon request without compelling the residents to provide their own gravel and pay for the hauling.

Street Commissioner W. S. Low requested permission to purchase new posts in order that several hundred street signs, now missing, may be replaced. This was referred to the street committee.

Discussion over employment of a janitor for the city comfort station resulted in delaying action until the building committee can present a report.

CLEARANCE PRICES on White and Ivory Enameled BEDROOM PIECES. See West Window. A NUMBER OF ENAMELED BEDROOM DRESSERS, CHIFFONNIERS, BEDSTEADS, DRESSING TABLES, ROCKERS AND CHAIRS AT SACRIFICIAL PRICES TO MAKE ROOM FOR NEW SUITS ARRIVING.

HAMILTON'S FURNITURE STORE 340 COURT STREET

WOMEN VOTED (Continued from Page 1) BADEN SOCIALISTS LEAD PARIS, Jan. 20.—Returns of the elections for the German national assembly for the third electoral district of Baden showed the majority Socialists to have won five seats, the Centrist party five seats, the German Nationalist party one seat and the German Democratic party three seats. PARIS, Jan. 20.—The first results are too incomplete to permit of any opinion as to the significance of the elected. The results in Wurttemberg were majority Socialists 459,616 votes and seven seats; German Democrats 332,019 vote and four and four seats; Centrists 303,050 votes and four seats. DEMOCRATS LEAVE BRUNSWICK PARIS, Jan. 20.—At Brunswick city the citizens league without Democrats, polled 16,477. Democrats 16,200; Majority Socialists, 6,363; Independent Socialists 26,325. It is noteworthy that the united bourgeois parties polled more than the minority party although Brunswick is one of the latter's strong holds. Bremen City—Nationalists 22,968; Centrists 8,310; Democrats, 112,639; majority parties 29,302; minority parties 19,949. Thompson Will Be Named on Highway Board Again Governor Withycombe announced yesterday that he will appoint W. L. Thompson of Pendleton as a member of the state highway commission upon the expiration of his present term, March 31. There had been a rumor afloat that Mr. Thompson might possibly be replaced when his term was completed. "I am entirely satisfied with the commission and do not know how it could be improved upon," was the governor's answer to this rumor.

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