

# CROWDS TURNED AWAY AT DOORS OF PENITENTIARY

### Players' Club Pokes Fun at State Officials and Police Authorities

## WILL REPEAT SHOW

### Jan Du Monte Scores Success—Scenery and Costumes Are Elaborate

State officials, members of the legislature and police authorities alike were made the butt of clever comedy last night when the Players' club at the state penitentiary provided several hours of fun for a large audience in their chapel. The occasion was the presentation of "The Midnight Cabaret," a two-act musical comedy combining singing, dancing and feature numbers.

So big a drawing card was the show that crowds were turned away and it will be necessary to repeat the performance tonight.

Among the players are a number of professional actors and others of exceptional ability, whose excellent rendition of their parts made the production an unqualified success.

In the first, a dancing act Du Monte and Goldev in "A Flash From the Winter Garden Chorus," scored a triumph. Among the victims of their side-splitting peens were Senators Lachmund (and the proverbial apple) and Orton and Chief of Police Varney, who were likewise the principal targets for the entire evening.

The negroes, too, came in for their share of the performance in some clever acts, with Sam Taylor as the leading man. Act I ended with the Harmony Four and entire chorus in New York's latest song hit, "The Statue of Liberty is Still Smiling." One of the special feature acts of Act I was "Memoirs"—a war story, with the solos, "America, Here's My Boy," "Break the News to Mother," and "When Blue Stars Turn to Gold." The background for this was a huge American flag in front of which hung the service flag of the penitentiary. Over a hundred stars have been placed on this flag for men who have gone out from the institution into the service of their country. Two have been replaced by gold ones.

The story of "The Midnight Cabaret" follows:

The proprietor of the Midnight Cabaret has decided to go to war and leaves his business in charge of the head waiter with the understanding that if he is killed the property goes to the waiter. The latter finds himself without funds and secures a prospective purchaser for the business. He fakes a telegram to the effect that his proprietor has been killed but in the midst of the scene who should arrive but the proprietor himself. Still everybody's happy anyway.

Jan Du Monte again scored a hit, this time with an original reading, "A Fool There Was," and with his toast to the convicts who have rallied to their country's call.

The stage was a reproduction of a cabaret and all of the furnishings were the work of the inmates. The drop curtains and other scenery were also painted by one of the men.

The officers of the club are: Harry Gordon, president; J. Montrose, vice-president; Fred Taylor, director; Hazel Erwin, modiste; Jan Du Monte, artist and costumer; T. E. Wilson, electrician; J. P. Webb, announcements and publicity; M. Anchberry, chief usher.

## Equal Suffrage Bill to Be Introduced in Canada

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—The Duke of Devonshire, governor general of Canada, declared in an address at the opening of the Canadian parliament today that a bill enabling women to vote and conferring upon them the privilege of sitting in parliament.

## Callus? Peel It Off Quickly

Nothing on Earth Like "Gets-It" For Corns and Calluses.

A spot of thickened skin on the bottom of your foot which so often makes walking so agony is so easily removed by wonderful "Gets-It" as any hard or soft corn.



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would be introduced during the coming session. The opening session was held without the usual social formalities out of respect for the memory of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the former premier.

## Farm Near Silverton Sold by B. Tinglestad

SILVERTON, Ore., Feb. 17.—(Special to The Statesman) B. Tinglestad sold his farm of 90 odd acres to W. Manger of Howell Prairie. The farm, which is situated a mile and a half southwest of Silverton on the Salem road has been owned by Mr. Tinglestad for close to 30 years. A few years ago Mr. Tinglestad retired from active farming, moved to Silverton and rented his farm to his son Martin, who lives on the farm now. He will remain there until the crops are harvested.

## PITCHER QUINN TRADED

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The New York American league baseball club today completed a deal with the Vernon club of the Pacific Coast league by which it acquired Pitcher Jack Quinn in exchange for Pitchers Joseph Finneran and Sambuel Ross and third baseman, Vinn Beck.

## APOLLO CLUB PLEASES SOLONS

### Rising Vote of Thanks Given to Salem Singers Who Entertain House Members

The Apollo club gave the members of the house the treat of the season when they sang a few selections as a recess in the middle of a night session. Members of the house joined in singing "The Star Spangled Banner" heartily.

## REVOLVING FUND BILL GOES OVER

### Amendment to End Federal Control of Railroads Rejected Before Passage

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Final action of the bill appropriating \$750,000,000 for the railroad administration's revolving fund went over tonight in the house after rejection of an amendment to end federal control next January 1 and of another preventing the president from returning the lines to private ownership before July 1, 1920, without consent of congress.

The amendment to return the roads on January 1 was proposed by Representative Rayburn of Texas, after government operation had been denounced by both republican and democratic members.

Representative Esch of Wisconsin offered a substitute to the Rayburn amendment prohibiting the president from returning the roads without the consent of congress before July 1, 1920. His substitute was supported by Representative Decker of Missouri, who declared that if the Rayburn amendment were passed the railroads would revert to "their mismanagement" of before the war as congress might not have time to work out the problem this year.

Chairman Sims of the interstate commerce commission said the railroad question was such an important one no action should be taken either for fixing a definite date when the roads should be returned or referring the president from returning them if economic conditions of the country required it.

The substitute amendment was defeated by a vote of 91 to 73 and the Rayburn amendment by a vote of 103 to 51. Representative Shirley, chairman of the appropriations committee, insisted upon a vote on the bill, but Republican Leader Mann objected and on his motion the house adjourned.

## LAND PROBLEMS COME UP TONIGHT

### House Will Consider Various Bills and May Join Them Into One Measure

Tonight the house will have up for a special order the consideration of land settlement plans. Although a land settlement bill by Representative Sheldon was on the calendar for third reading yesterday, the house refused to consider it after Representative Richardson had insisted that land settlement bills be considered together and the meat of the bills be taken out. He opposed the Sheldon bill on the ground that it provided for an appointive commission and might throw the bars down to speculation.

Mrs. McKinney Buried—Mrs. Louisa McKinney was buried in Hubbard yesterday. All of her close relatives were present at the services held in the Congregational church. Rev. S. E. Long of Hubbard conducted the funeral. Mrs. McKinney lived in Salem the past 10 years, making her home previous to that time in Hubbard, where she dwelt for 32 years.

## GALLANTRY OF U. S. SOLDIERS IS DESCRIBED

### General Traub, Twice Gassed in Battle, Tells Story to Committee

## 35TH DIVISION PRAISED

### Fight in Argonne Lasted Six Days and Nights—Heavy Losses Suffered

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—A dramatic recital of the fighting of the thirty-fifth (Kansas and Missouri National guard) division in the great battle of the Argonne was given the house rules committee today by Major General Peter E. Traub, the division commander, who was himself twice gassed in the battle.

Appearing to deny charges of the needless sacrifice of men made by Governor Allen of Kansas, General Traub described with great pride the work of his troops from the misty September morning when they went over the top until they had driven the Germans back nearly six miles after six days and nights of almost incessant fighting over the most strongly fortified section of the western front.

Free from France the general was still suffering from the effects of gas, his two experiences in the Argonne being his fifth in the war and he frequently had to interrupt his recital to drink water. At times his voice failed him almost entirely, but suggestions of members of the committee that he delay his testimony were met with instant refusal. When his voice refused to give command to the table beside him to further drive home his praise of the soldiers it was "his honor to command."

"For six days and nights," said the general, "we fought the best of the boche had. We penetrated the lines for five and a half miles, took 1000 prisoners and captured 24 pieces of field artillery and forty-five machine-guns. We fought in the open and we lost 500 killed and 4,500 wounded, the great majority of the latter being hurt but slightly. Never was there a finer body of men than those I had the honor to command. They were a wonderful lot, who only asked to know what was wanted and they did it and did it well."

General Traub told the committee that the first task of his men after "jumping off" was the capture of a hill, which had everything in the way of defense which Germans could build and one that the "French had been up against for four years." The thirty-fifth, the general said, took this strongly fortified position in three hours after vicious hand-to-hand fighting.

The wounded received the best of care and the first consideration, General Traub told the committee. He said that 70,000 wounded passing through the field station of the thirty-fifth division were hurried to the rear by impressing into service every truck of every description, but because of the "devilish fire" of the Germans they could be moved only at night. One main road served the whole army corps and at one time it required 48 hours to build a road around a crater caused by a German shell, and ten days to bridge it.

Aeroplanes appeared on call, and flew over the German lines, the general said. The shortage of horses was admitted, but the officer declared there was always artillery support. Only half a dozen shells from the American artillery fell in its lines, but in this connection the general asked to be permitted to refrain from commenting on the French artillery with the division.

## Heavy Weather Interferes With President's Journey

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The presidential ship George Washington is proceeding to Boston through heavy weather without naval escort, the navy department was advised tonight by radio.

The conveying battleship New Mexico stripped one of her turbine engines and was forced to drop out of the fleet while heavy weather made it necessary for the destroyer flotilla to leave the liner. The message said the destroyers expected to rejoin the George Washington when the weather moderated. In the meantime, however, Secretary Daniels has ordered the Cruiser Denver to put to sea to meet the big liner.

The accident to the New Mexico affected only the port steam turbine and she is still able to maintain a speed of 15 knots per hour. The dreadnaught, the only electrically driven battleship of the navy, reported that she would continue to handle radio traffic as long as she remained in touch with the presidential ship.

## SENATOR SEAKS IN OWN BEHALF

### Lafollette Makes First Public Reference to Loyalty Since Hearing

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Senator La Follette of Wisconsin, vigorously defended his loyalty in a long address tonight in the senate on what he pictured as causes for popular unrest in the United States. The senator declared he would no longer permit questions on his loyalty and declared that his sole aim was to

preserve pure democracy in this country.

This was the first public reference the Wisconsin senator had made to his loyalty since the senate several weeks ago dismissed the charges brought by the Wisconsin public safety commission as the result of his speech in St. Paul two years ago.

Speaking in favor of increasing salaries carried in the legislative judicial and executive appropriation bill before the senate, Senator La Follette attacked big business interests and especially the meat packing firms, as being largely responsible for the high cost of living and consequent unrest among the people. He also charged that the administration has failed to enforce the Sherman anti-trust law.

Senator Underwood of Alabama, in charge of the appropriation measure, made a heated reply. He declared that congress had always been responsive to the will of the people and said there was no anarchistic sentiment in the United States "no matter what the Wisconsin senator may dream."

## SENATOR FALL WILL NOT DINE

### Refuses to Accept President Wilson's Invitation to Take Part in Discussion

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Senator Fall, Republican member of the senate foreign relations committee, has telegraphed from his home in New Mexico to Secretary Tumulty declining President Wilson's invitation to attend the White house dinner next Wednesday to discuss the proposed constitution of a league of nations. The message was not made public. At the senator's office here it was said that he had declined because of his absence from Washington and "for other reasons." These, however were not revealed. The senator has not been in Washington during the present session of congress.

Senator Fall is the second member of the senate to refuse to attend the dinner, Senator Borah, of Idaho, having made public his decision early this week in a letter to Secretary Tumulty. It was said tonight that the other members of the senate committee, as well as those of the house committee, would confer with the president.

There was no discussion of a league constitution today in the senate, but Senator Borah plans to speak tomorrow in criticism of the tentative charter and a general debate may follow. Senator Reed of Missouri, Democrat, has announced that he will speak Saturday and at that time Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, chairman of the foreign relations committee, may reply to the league critics.

## Five Minute Speeches Hereafter in the House

Five minute speeches will be the limit in the house after this. After that body had wrangled for two hours last night over the Malheur Lake bill, Graham of Washington, moved to put in the five minute rule and it carried with ease. Speaker Jones declares he will hew strictly to the line on the rule to the sorrow of a few members.

## Many Men Languishing in Jail Awaiting Trial

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 20.—Twenty six men are in jail here tonight awaiting trial at the state courts on charges of criminal anarchy in connection with the recent general strike of organized labor. The arrest of six additional men is sought on similar complaints. Morris Passa a cartoonist and Roy Gammon were arrested today. Gammon was discharged from the army December 3 last.

## Senate Passes \$97,000 Appropriation Measure

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Holding leaders framed their program to expedite congested money bills, the senate late tonight passed the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation measure carrying \$97,700,000. The bill now goes to conference. The house provision for a pay increase of \$240 for federal employees designed to meet the increased cost of living, was retained by the senate, which also reinserted a provision for continuance of sub-treasuries in nine cities.

## CADDOCK ORDERED BACK

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 20.—Just as Sergeant Earl Caddock of Iowa, world's champion wrestler, was about to sail from France to home, he was ordered back to his division—the Eighty-eighth—at Gondrecourt, according to a special dispatch published here today. It was said that Caddock probably would wrestle in the Olympic meet planned for Paris this spring.

## C. M. WILLIAMS ELECTED

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 20.—Clayton M. Williams, of Everett, Wash., was elected late today to be district governor of the 22nd District of International Rotary clubs by unanimous vote, at the annual convention of the Northwest Rotarians here.

## MINE CUTS SALARIES

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 20.—The American Smelting and Refining company today announced a cut of 20 cents per day in wages at its smaller plant at East Helena. The low price of lead was assigned as the cause.

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