

LIGHT IS CAST UPON CABINET APPOINTMENTS

Harding Has Decided Seven Portfolios Tentatively - Navy, Commerce and Labor Material Considered.

LOWDEN HOLDS AN EVEN CHANCE FOR NAVY POST

Agitation Keen For Southern Representative In Cabinet

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 16.—Having tentatively decided on seven of his cabinet appointments, President-elect Harding and his chief political advisers are finally sifting over the available material for the portfolio of navy, commerce and labor.

Lowden Considered For Navy. For the navy post, F. O. Lowden of Illinois still is considered a possibility with several others holding an even chance.

Of the three vacant places, the navy secretaryship is proving the most troublesome. In his original cabinet slate Mr. Harding is understood to have allotted this post to John W. Weeks of Massachusetts, but various considerations later led to his transfer to the war portfolio.

Representative C. B. Steiamp of Virginia, and T. H. Hinton of New Jersey are two of those most prominently mentioned in the petitions coming to the president-elect.

From outside the south have come many petitions for the appointment of John Hays Hanmond of New York or Herbert Hoover of California to the commerce post.

Mr. O'Connor said conditions had been talked over and predicted that the next four years would see a square deal from the White House for American workers.

Mr. Harding also held another long conference today with Will H. Hays, chairman of the Republican national committee and understood to be slated for postmaster general.

Tonight the president-elect was in consultation with Harry M. Daugherty of Ohio, his prospective attorney general.

Many prospective appointments outside the cabinet are being considered and it developed today that one selection seriously considered is that of Major General Leonard Wood for governor-general of the Philippines.

The position is vacant and selection is expected soon after inauguration. Among the callers today were T. Coleman Dupont of Delaware, W. C. Teague of the Standard Oil company and a delegation of southern white men and negroes, who came to ask co-operation in the movement for interracial co-operation.

Tonight the president-elect and his family held a reception in the parlors of their hotel.

A committee of the German-American citizens league, headed by George Sylvester Viereck, who during the war served as editor of the "Fatherland," presented to Harding today a memorandum

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CARUSO'S CONDITION IS HELD IMPROVING

TENOR FIGHTS YALANTLY FOR LIFE

Pulse Stronger and Temperature Lower: Attack Follows Pleurisy

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Noticeable improvement in the condition of Enrico Caruso, tenor, critically ill in his hotel here, was announced tonight in a bulletin issued by Dr. Antonio Stella.

"Caruso's condition is very much more favorable tonight than this morning," the bulletin said. "His pulse is better. His temperature is 2 degrees lower than this morning."

"We have great hope for his recovery, although he is still a sick man. Part of his improvement is due to his strong constitution, his mental attitude and the fact that his wife has been constantly at his bedside."

"He has been in and out of coma all day long. Suppuration has weakened him and has affected his heart. A relapse like this is to be expected in 40 per cent of pleurisy cases."

"Oxygen was administered to ease inflammation of the lungs. What words he has spoken show a great determination to live."

Telephone calls received at the hotel inquiring about his condition are being received at the rate of ten every minute. Two extra telephone operators have been put on.

After a consultation tonight the doctors in an official bulletin said: "Caruso has passed a critical day. His condition is unchanged. The serious collapse of last night has not been repeated."

Antonio Scotti, baritone, and Caruso's closest friend, was decidedly hopeful tonight after a vigil at the tenor's bedside since 6 o'clock this morning.

"Caruso looked bad last night," he said, "but tonight he is much better and we feel that if he lives through the night he certainly will be all right tomorrow. We feel a very great relief."

At 10:30 p. m. the tenor awakened from a short sleep and asked for a drink. He was given some whiskey and water which seemed to refresh him. At noon he partook sparingly of eggs and some broth.

FORDNEY TARIFF PASSES HOUSE

Party Ranks Broken in Vote On Measure to Aid Farmers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Loaded with more than a score of amendments the Fordney emergency tariff bill tonight passed the senate. The vote was 43 to 30 and the measure was immediately sent to conference.

Action on the bill, designed and rushed through the house as an aid to the farmer, came after a protracted session during which four Republican senators broke from their party alignment and two of them, Edge of New Jersey and Lodge of New Hampshire, bitterly assailed the measure and its Republican supporters.

Likewise, solidarity of the Democratic ranks could not be maintained, nine being recorded for the bill. The roll call: Republicans, for: Ball, Borah, Brandegee, Capper, Curtis, Eklins, Fall, France, Frelinghuysen, Gooding, Gronna, Hale, Johnson, (Calif.); Jones (Washington); Kellogg, Kenyon, La Follette, Leonard, Lodge, McCormack, McCumber, McLean, McNary, New, Penrose, Phipps, Poindexter, Smoot, Spencer, Sterlin, Sutherland, Townsend, Wadsworth and Willis. Total Republicans for, 24.

Democrats, for: Ashurst, Gay, Henderson, Jones, (New Mexico); Kendrick, Meyers, Pittman, Ramsdell and Shepard. Total Democrats for, 9.

Total for, 43. Democrats against: Beckham, Dial, Fletcher, Gerry, Glass, Harney, Harrison, Heflifer, Hitchcock, Kerr, Kerby, McKellar, Overman, Pomeroy, Simmons, Smith, (Georgia); Smith, (South Carolina); Stanley, Swanson, Thomas, Trammell, Underwood, Walsh, Massachusetts); Walsh, (Massachusetts); Williams, Wolcott. Total Democrats against, 26.

Republicans against: Coit, Edge, Keyes and Moses. Total Republicans against, four.

Total against, 30. The measure temporarily unsettled the Republican program so much that three amendments offered by Senator Edge, majority leader, were killed. From the time the vote was called on these amendments all of which had to do with protection of manufactured products of wool, the senate rode rough shod over all changes proffered. But it already had accepted so many changes that the most ardent supporters present with the house.

It is expected that the conference committee which includes Senator Smoot will be able to start work with a similar compromise.

ARMY AVIATOR WAS FORCED TO LAND—IS SAFE

After Plane Falls in Big Bend Country Lieutenant Has To Walk, Ride and Swim Way to Sanderson.

PEARSON WIRES HIS FATHER OF SAFETY

Thrilling Story Told of Fight To Return to Habitation

SANDERSON, Tex., Feb. 16.—Lieutenant Alexander Pearson Jr., army aviator who has been missing since February 10, rode on horseback into Sanderson tonight. He had been without food for three days and had ridden burros, walked, swam and floated down the Rio Grande before reaching here, according to his story.

Plane Fell Thursday. His plane fell Thursday, he told the station agent, S. W. Caulfield, and since that time he has been struggling to reach human habitation. He says he does not know the location of his fall. His machine was damaged by the accident, he says, but he escaped unhurt.

At 7 p. m. the aviator walked into the telegraph office here. His uniform was in tatters. The stubble of his beard showed many days' growth. He asked for a message blank and signed it.

The message was to Miss Margaret Shannon at Douglas, Ariz. It read: "Arrived at Sanderson O. K. See you soon."

The station agent notified El Paso and the ceaseless quest that 65 army planes had been making for six days was at an end.

Wind Blows Aviator. Pearson said he was forced to land in a desert-like area in the Big Bend country. The new crankshaft of his machine failed to work properly, he said, and forced his descent.

"Not a sign of human habitation was visible. He waited until the water in his engine had cooled, drew off some for drinking purposes, and set forth to find some means of communication. Dark, foggy and moist, he said, before he met anybody."

The next morning at dawn he continued his quest. A sand storm almost blinded him as he trudged wearily across the desert. He had been without food for two days, he said, and lack of it weakened him.

The third day was a repetition of the second, he said. The unabated wind hurled swirls of cutting sand into his face and temporarily blinded him. Late in the afternoon he reached the Rio Grande. Too tired to swim, he lay down on the bank and went to sleep.

Swims Down Rio Grande. On the morning of the fourth day he plunged into the river and, with the aid of a floating log, swam down stream. He had been in the water almost an hour, he said, when he saw two ranchmen. They helped him to climb from the water, gave him some food and a burro and escorted him here.

He was too tired and excited to relate much of his experiences.

"I have been through considerable since I left El Paso last Thursday morning," he said. "Please don't ask me about it tonight. Just send these messages and tell me all about it when I get some sleep."

Lieutenant Pearson sent telegrams to his parents in Portland, Ore., and one to Fort Bliss, at El Paso. The Fort Bliss message read:

"I forced to land in Big Bend country. Am now at Sanderson." Pearson left Douglas in a rebuilt De Havilland four-B express on Monday morning of last week, starting a leisurely flight to Babble Beach, Fla., where he was to hop off February 22 in a scheduled non-stop trans-continental flight to San Diego, Cal. The flight was to be the first attempt at a trans-continental speed record. Forced by an accident to his motor to land on the desert, 13 miles east of Columbus, N. M., Monday afternoon, Pearson was delayed there until late Wednesday. A new motor was rushed to him by truck from Douglas, his machine was repaired and he proceeded Wednesday afternoon to El Paso. He left El Paso at 9:45 o'clock the following morning for San Antonio and when he failed to reach that city after a reasonable time, an alarm was sent out and search for the missing man was started.

Pearson had been stationed at the flying field here for a number of months. He is 25 years old.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 16.—Alexander Pearson, Sr., father of Lieutenant Alexander Pearson Jr., said tonight that he had just received a telegram signed by his son from Sanderson, Texas, announcing the lieutenant's safe arrival.

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REPRESENTATIVES PASS HOUSE TENURE BILL

PROVIDES INCREASE OF THE BOARD IN DISTRICT NO. 1

Section Providing Indefinite Employment Is Eliminated

After a hotly debated session which lasted a greater part of the afternoon yesterday, House Bill No. 349 increasing the number of directors in school district No. 1 and providing that teachers in that district be employed upon an indefinite contract under which they shall continue under employment from year to year, was passed in the house.

The bill was introduced by Gordon, Kubli, North, Hindman, Leonard, Hosford, McFarland, Wells and McDonald.

The measure provided for the increasing of the number of directors in Portland from five to seven and asked that Mrs. A. M. Webster and Mrs. Forest Fisher be appointed as the additional directors to serve until the next school election in June. Lynn objected to the enlarging of the membership of the board and proposed the establishment of a commission form of school control similar to the city government of Portland as a more feasible plan. He advocated cutting down the membership of the board to three members rather than enlarging it.

Section 3, providing for the employment of teachers on indefinite contract from year to year, rather than the present tenure system of Portland schools, was eliminated upon motion of Representative Hindman.

"The teachers have had a paid lobbyist here and the votes of everyone in this house has been solicited," said Kubli, in his attack on the opponents of the bill. "It's an insult to the intelligence of this house to permit a paid lobbyist to come here and attempt to secure your vote against 40,000 school children."

Lynn said that just as soon as the bill passed he could, if he so desired, go to Portland and organize every teacher there in an organization to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. He was opposed to the bill because the experience of teachers in Portland showed that they need to have more protection thrown around them.

Representative Davy objected to the appointment of the two directors to serve out the remainder of this term until the June election and his amendment to strike out the clause providing for their appointment was adopted.

The vote on the bill was 48 yeas and 42 nays. Those voting yeas: Beale, Belknap, Fisher, Korrell, La Follette, Lee, Lynn, Richards, Sheldon, Wells, Bean, and Miller.

Representative Hopkins announced late in the afternoon that he would move for a reconsideration of the bill either today or at his earliest convenience.

EMERGENCY BOARD BILL IS VETOED

Governor Disapproves Attempt to Rearrange Personnel

Together with his objections, Governor Olcott yesterday returned to the senate his veto on the emergency board by eliminating the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer, and having all of the members chosen from the ways and means committee.

"This bill attempts to change the personnel of the emergency board by declaring that five of the seven members of such board be elected by a committee of the legislature. If the measure still retained on the board the services of the president of the senate and the speaker of the house, as well as the chairman of the house and senate ways and means committees, and, in addition thereto, provided that the balance of the members of the board be elected by the entire legislature, instead of by a few committeemen, it would meet with my prompt approval."

Superintendent George W. Hug will act as toastmaster. "Our Training" will be the subject of a talk by Benoit McCroskey, and "Our Homes" will be given by Elbert Lachel. "What Does a Son Expect From His Father?" will be discussed by Walter Stiff, and "What Does a Father Expect of His Son?" is to be the subject of an address by Mayor George Halvorsen. A. B. Hanson will sing a solo and the closing remarks made by J. W. Palmer of Portland, who will use as his theme, "Father and Son, Chums."

On Tuesday night a banquet will be given to the senior high school boys and their fathers and a special program has been arranged for the evening which will be announced later.

A limited number of tickets will be sold to the banquets and all reservations should be in by Friday night. The Mothers' club of the Y. M. C. A. is preparing the menu which will be served by the members of the Girl Reserves.

BILL TO TAX BONDS FAILS

The bill introduced by Senators Ryan and Vinton providing for a tax on all bonds except government bonds failed to pass the senate yesterday afternoon.

WEATHER

Thursday cloudy, rain near the coast; fresh northeasterly winds.

HISTORICAL SECTION

The Statesman of tomorrow or Saturday will contain a historical section that will be of state-wide interest. It will be accompanied by a sheet of pictures of some of the outstanding historical events of this state. You will want to preserve your copy.

DEFEAT IS PREDICTED FOR REDISTRICTING BILL

LATE INTRODUCTION EXPECTED TO BRING DEFEAT

Thomas' Resolution to Continue Special Committee Is Favored

The reapportionment bill to rearrange the senatorial and representative districts in the state has made its appearance in the senate, introduced by the joint special reapportionment committee of which Senator Dennis is chairman.

Defeat is predicted for the measure because of the extremely late introduction of the bill, selected for introduction of the bill, The Thomas resolution to have the special committee continued throughout the next two years and to introduce a bill the first week of the session of 1923 is looked on with favor.

The late date chosen for introduction of the bill, which has been prepared for weeks, is doubtless in the hope of slamming it across the home plate in the hurry of eleventh hour legislation.

The reapportionment bill provides the following changes: One senator is taken from Marion, leaving Marion one senator alone and a joint senator with Clackamas. Clackamas has one senator.

The senator from Multnomah, Clackamas and Columbia would hereafter represent Multnomah and Columbia, Clackamas county being omitted.

Tillamook and Lincoln would have a senator leaving out Washington and Yamhill on this joint service.

Jackson and Josephine would have one senator, abolishing the Josephine district as it now stands.

Clatsop of Klamath, Lake, Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes would have one more senator, jointly, giving them two joint senators.

The joint senator from Lane and Linn would be changed to between Lane and Benton.

Marion county would lose one representative.

The Polk and Lincoln joint district would be changed to Lincoln and Tillamook, leaving Polk with only one representative.

The line separating Douglas and Jackson would be eliminated, and also the joint district between Yamhill and Tillamook.

The two joint representatives now elected from Wasco and Hood River to a district would be changed to a representative for each individual county.

Malheur county would have one distinct representative alone.

Harney and Grant counties would be combined in a joint district, thus removing Grant from the Klamath Lake, Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes district.

Klamath, Lake, Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes would have three joint representatives instead of two.

Malheur county would have 14 representatives, which adds one and a half to the number it already has.

FATHER AND SON HI Y ARRANGES BANQUET FOR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS AND THEIR 'DADS'

Elaborate preparations are being made in this city for the observance of Father and Son week from February 20 to 26. On Monday night at 6 o'clock in the First Methodist church a banquet will be given, under the auspices of the Hi Y club to the boys in the Junior high schools and their fathers. Music will be furnished by the Washington Junior High orchestra. Max Davison is chairman of the arrangement committee.

CLARKE JAIL STORMED

ATHENS, Ga., Feb. 16.—A mob of 5000 persons tonight stormed the Clarke county jail and after forcibly taking John L. Eberhardt, a negro, charged with the murder of Mrs. Walter Lee, of Oconee county, from the jail, burned him at the stake.

CHINESE FEAR TONG WAR IN CALIFORNIA

Extra Police are Placed in Chinese Quarter, to Prevent Expected Reprisals For Last Night's Killing.

WAR LOOMS IN HOP SING AND BING KONG TONGS

Residents of Settlements Fearing War Prepare For Trouble

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 16.—Extra police were placed in the Chinese quarter of Los Angeles tonight to prevent expected reprisals for the killing of two Chinese and the wounding of a third last night in what the police declared to be an outbreak of a "war" between the Hop Sing and Bing Kong tong.

It was announced recently trouble had been averted by a cash payment to the Bing Kongs by members of the Hop Sing Tong.

Police learned today in conversations with leaders of the tong that the Bing Kongs demanded in addition to the money that two Hop Sing men held in jail in connection with shootings in December be paid guilty to murder in the first degree. This police said, the imprisoned men refused to do, declaring they were innocent, and their tong backed them up.

December 30, two Bing Kong men were killed and a third shot in the leg. The man wounded last night was also shot in the leg. The detective said this seemed to him to indicate a scheme of exact revenge.

Soo Ho Long, killed last night, and Low Hain, wounded were Hop Sing members, the police said, but declared Lem Googy Fong, the other man killed, was not a tong member. They said, however that his partner in the store where he was shot, is a Hop Sing man and that they believed the bullets were intended for the partner. The police are working on the theory that the slaying came here from another city and were not acquainted with their victims.

Eleven Chinese declared to be out of town Bing Kong men, arrested early today, were being held tonight for questioning.

OROVILLE, Cal., (Feb. 16.—Fearing further outbreaks here of the tong war, residents of the Chinese settlement here are prepared for trouble. Lights are dimmed and the usual activities of the district have ceased.

It was feared that the war might spread from Stockton at any time. Local police are keeping a close watch on the Chinese section.

WATCHDOGS OF SENATE SUCCEED IN GETTING BILL WITHDRAWN

The roads and highways committee yesterday, because of a determined protest by Senators Hare and other watchdogs, succeeded in getting the state highway bill, voted to withdraw senate bill 265, introduced as a committee measure.

Under the present law the highway commission may, under direction of the attorney general, employ counsel, fix his duties and provide his compensation. Senate bill 265 proposed to eliminate the provision that employment of counsel must be under direction of the attorney general. It provided that actions at law and suits in equity could be commenced and prosecuted against the commission on all contracts entered into by the commission to the same extent as those entered into by individuals. Further, it provided that a direct certification could be made to the supreme court of all facts relating to matters in which the commission might be in doubt as to rule of conduct.

By the substitution of a minority adverse report for a majority favorable report the senate killed by indefinite postponement senate bill 266, proposing to extend from two to four years the statute of limitations relative to claims presented to the secretary of state against the highway commission.

Senate bill 264, providing that 97 per cent instead of the present 85 per cent of the contract price of highway construction may be

MISSIONARY TO INDIA BRINGS BIG MESSAGE

HOPES FOR FALLING AWAY OF CASTE SYSTEM

Dr. Higginbottom Is "Preacher With the Plow"—Served Seventeen Years

Dr. Samuel Higginbottom brought to Salem yesterday a new message of hope for India—of hope for the 300,000,000 people of that country, a large proportion of whom are always on the verge of starvation—and of hope for the falling away of the caste system that has cursed that land for untold ages.

Dr. Higginbottom is a Presbyterian missionary—plus and he is the "preacher with the plow." He has served in India for 27 years. While holding a chair in one of the great Indian universities, teaching economics, he made up his mind, after long study, that the only hope of making India economically and industrially independent and self-determining was through the people of India themselves. He had found that there are more cattle in India in proportion to population than in any other land; but they are an economical burden, because the cow is sacred and she never killed. He has found that there are more tillers of the soil, and industrious ones, than in any other nation, in proportion to population. But their crops are scant, on account of their archaic methods and tools and implements.

So Dr. Higginbottom has become an agricultural missionary, not on a small scale, but in terms of millions and scores and hundreds of millions. He has had hundreds of tractors and thousands of modern tools and a great many threshing machines and reapers and mowers and well pumps, etc., brought to India. He has a million dollars to spend now for tools and implements. He expects to have India made able to feed her millions, to keep large populations from starvation, and to raise a surplus for farm improvements and other improvements of modern civilization; and then he expects the people of India to throw off the black curse of the caste system by becoming a Christian nation.

When a high caste man and a low caste man become Christians, acknowledging the fatherhood of God by their implication and in actual practice recognize the brotherhood of man. They become brothers. At the present time 20,000 a day are coming into Christianity, and many more are offering to come, but the work is too great for the workers, and millions will have to wait.

So the great "preacher of the plow," starting in a humble way, with a vision, has become one of the greatest missionaries of all time. These teeming millions in India are of our race, and they need only what Dr. Higginbottom is being able to offer them to come to the full stature of an enlightened people, standing at the gateway of the Orient as a bulwark of the white race.

Is not that a vision inspiring enough for one life time?

Dr. Higginbottom addressed the church meeting of Willamette university yesterday; lunched with and spoke to 30 invited guests at the Y. W. C. A. at noon, and held a large crowd spellbound at 2:30 in the First Christian church, and the work is on his way to Seattle, where he will deliver an address in the First Presbyterian church.

BRYAN STARTS ORGANIZATION OF DEMOCRATS

Announcement of Policies of Party Plan Restoration of "People's Rule" in National Affairs.

COMMONER'S PROPOSAL CONTAINS 22 PLANKS

Peace Program and Disarmament Feature in Program

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 16.—William Jennings Bryan, through his brother, Charles W. Bryan, here tonight issued a statement outlining his proposals for the national legislative program for the proposed re-organized Democratic party. The program, the statement says, is intended to bring about world peace, curb the profiteers, prevent extravagance and waste in the administration of governmental affairs and to restore "people rule."

Party Platform Stated. In his statement accompanying the proposed platform, the former secretary of state says: "The party cannot run on water that has passed over the dam."

"Neither can it be made a tail to anybody's candidacy," the statement continued, referring to the national committee meetings planned shortly, it says: "If the members have no higher purpose than to give some presidential candidate the inside track it would be better not to get together."

"The party must take the people's side of every question," it says and it must "urge the organization of the water that is special interests so that the people will believe in the party's sincerity."

Mr. Bryan's proposed program contains 22 planks on national subjects, including a referendum on war, disarmament by agreement with leading nations, national primary law, limitation of the presidential terms to six years with no reelection and the legislation opposed to profiteering, gambling in foodstuffs and military training.

The proposed national legislative program follows: "Peace program—A league of nations or an association of nations providing for arbitration of all disputes and the settlement of an investigation of all others as provided for in the plan of the 30 peace treaties, each nation reserving the right to accept or reject the findings."

Disarmament—The United States should immediately endeavor to assemble the representatives of the leading nations of the world in a sincere effort to bring about disarmament.

"A referendum on war—We favor a national referendum on war before a declaration of war can be made by congress unless the country is invaded by a foreign foe."

"Limit term of president—The president of the United States should be limited to one term of not more than six years by making him ineligible for re-election, and the inauguration of the president and the assembling of the new congress should be set for January following the November election."

"A treaty ratification—We favor an amendment to the federal constitution permitting a majority of the United States senate to ratify a treaty."

"Prohibition—The national prohibition amendment should be enforced by the national, state and municipal officers without fear or favor."

"Military training—We are opposed to universal compulsory military training."

"Profiteering—The Democratic party pledges the nation to rid it of the profiteer and to close the door against his return. It will endeavor to eliminate all unnecessary middlemen by the encouragement of organizations among producers that will bring those who produce and those who use nearer together. It will enact and enforce laws that will effectively prevent excessive charges by such middlemen as are necessary. To this end it will demand legislation subjecting to the penalties of the criminal law all corporate officers and employes who give or carry out instructions that result in extortion; it will make it unlawful for anyone engaged in interstate commerce to make the sale of one article dependent upon the purchase of another article, and it will require such corporation to disclose to customers the difference between cost price and selling price or limit the profit that can be legally charged as the rate of interest is now limited."

"Soldiers and sailors—We favor a liberal policy in providing for soldiers and sailors who made sacrifices in the world war."

"A national bulletin—We favor a national bulletin, not a news-

HIGHWAY FUNDS ARE PROTECTED

Watchdogs of Senate Succeed in Getting Bill Withdrawn

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