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LONG CAREER OF DEMOCRATIC FIGURE CLOSED

Champ Clark Representative For 26 Years, Dies "In Shadow of Capitol" After Short Illness.

LIVES OVER MEMORY OF DAYS AS SPEAKER

House Pauses But Half Hour At Request of Former Speaker

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—Death closed today the career of Champ Clark of Missouri, for more than a quarter century a towering figure in national politics, a stalwart of stalwarts in the democratic party.

He died in the shadow of the capitol. Just over the way from the hotel where he has lived many years, house and senate seethed in the closing hours of the congress of which he was an honored member and leader.

Weekly Awards Statesman Classified Ad. Contest

Each week the Statesman will give three cash rewards for the best "stories" about Statesman Classified Ads. The awards will be announced each Tuesday morning: 1st reward, \$2.50; 2nd reward, \$1.50; 3rd reward, \$1.00.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Winner of Third Award Believes in These Ads Because Her Mother Gets Good Results, in Advertising For Maternity Cases.

NEW LAW SENDS UP PRICE OF GASOLINE

ADDITIONAL TAX MAKES THE PRICE 31 1/2 CENTS GALLON

Dealers Make Announcement—Emergency Clause Makes Measure Effective

Local dealers announce that the price of gasoline in Salem, in common with other points in Oregon, went up 1 cent yesterday and it is now selling at 31 1/2 cents a gallon.

The increased price is because of the additional tax of 1 cent a gallon imposed on all gasoline sales in this state by the legislature which closed last Wednesday.

HUBERT BERRY IS IN CUSTODY

Escape From State Hospital For Insane Taken in San Francisco

Hubert M. Berry, who escaped from the state hospital for the insane February 14, and whose case has attracted wide attention, is in custody in San Francisco, according to a telegram received from Chief of Police R. J. O'Brien of San Francisco yesterday by Dr. E. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the hospital.

COMPROMISE IS MADE ON ARMY BILL

Conferees Agree on Provision for 156,000 Men

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Senate and house conferees on the army appropriation bill reached an agreement tonight to make a compromise between the senate figure of 175,000 and the house maximum of 150,000, and apparently insure passage of a \$385,000,000 army budget at this session.

The senate conferees immediately submitted the bill to the senate and was approved, leaving only action by the house on the report. Inasmuch as the size of the army was the chief stumbling block and as the agreement reached is near the house figure, approval of the house is expected promptly tomorrow.

GERMANS TO HEAR ALLIES DECREE TODAY

Little Doubt as to Content of Report; Details of Enforcement Demands Are Withheld.

BLOCKADE OF GERMAN PORTS CONSIDERED

Lloyd George Consents to Use of Armed Forces in Places

LONDON, March 2.—Germans tomorrow will hear the unanimous decision of the allied powers on the counter proposals which Dr. Simons, German foreign secretary, presented yesterday at the reparations conference.

There is little doubt as to the nature of the reply, for in a statement tonight, the counter proposals are described as meriting "neither examination nor discussion." Details of what steps will be taken to enforce the demands are withheld, it being considered only an act of courtesy to let the Germans hear them before they are published. But it is learned that the British premier has been won over to the French view.

Mr. Lloyd George consented today to the employment of armed forces against Germany, in the event of her non-compliance, to the extent of the occupation of Mannheim by French and Belgian troops and also of the Ruhr ports on the Rhine.

There may possibly also be a blockade of German ports. Premier Briand of France favors immediate action, while the British and Italians have advised against precipitate movements. After a long conference on the proposed economic and military measures, in which Marshal Foch, Field Marshal Wilson and Italian and Belgian experts participated, a unanimous decision was reached.

Germany Despondent. The Germans were despondent tonight when they hopes that differences might arise between the allies to lighten their country's burden were dashed by the finding of the conference. One of them remarked: "Well, perhaps that is the only way out. If Briand yielded, his government would fall; if we yielded, our government would fall."

After a meeting of the allies today a statement was issued from the conference embodying a summary of the German proposal and comment thereon.

The plan prepared by the allies at Paris for the payment of reparations, it says, "relieves Germany of a substantial proportion of the amount payable by her under the peace treaty."

UNCLE JOE CANNON MOURNS FOR CHAMP CLARK, FRIEND AND POLITICAL ANTAGONIST

Harding Sends Message of Sympathy to Widow in Washington—Table at Hotel Covered With Telegrams to Statesman's Family—Burial to be at Old Home in Missouri

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Individual tributes to the memory of Champ Clark quickly followed announcement of his death. Republicans as well as his own party members joined in paying respect to him and tonight a table at the hotel where he lived was covered with telegrams of sympathy.

Among individual tributes was a statement from "Uncle Joe" Cannon, who preceded Mr. Clark as speaker and who, on completing a record of service in the house, was the subject of one of the last addresses Mr. Clark made in the house.

Always Fought Fair. "Champ Clark died in the harness, as I believed he preferred to die," said Uncle Joe. "Champ was my friend and colleague for more than a quarter of a century and we engaged in many contests on the floor without alienating friendship or respect for each other. We did not strike below the belt."

Congress on Saturday, however, will pay respect to the dead leader in a manner which has been duplicated only a few times in its history. Tentative arrangements provide for funeral services at 10:30 a. m. Saturday in the house. Before the services the body will lie in state there. Not since 1914, when services were held for S. E. Payne, for more than 30 years a representative from New York, has the house chamber been used for such a purpose.

Burial at Home. Then a special funeral train

WILLIAMS RETIRES AS CURRENCY HEAD

Wilson Regrets "Gross Injustice" Done Comptroller

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—John Skelton Williams retired tonight as comptroller of the currency. In accepting his resignation, President Wilson wrote Mr. Williams that he had been "grossly unjust" by the way in which the senate banking committee had handled the question of his reconfirmation.

"I can only believe, however," said the president, "that time will disclose the injustice to everybody and that the right verdict will be rendered by opinion, if not by one of the houses of congress."

The president was replying to a letter from Mr. Williams February 28, tendering his resignation, effective tonight, and in which he took a parting shot at some of his critics in congress. He charged that "certain senators" who had the power to bring his nomination before the senate, "had dodged."

Mr. Williams also wrote that since "the expressed opposition to his confirmation had put 'by implications' under charges he felt he was 'entitled to a verdict.'"

Oliver Reisbeck Again Is Held in City Jail

Oliver Reisbeck, who has been in trouble in Salem on previous occasions, was arrested last night by Officer White and jailed at the police station for attacking Andy Kolber in Streeter's pool hall on South Commercial street. The arrest was made about 10:30 o'clock. According to the officers, Reisbeck was drunk.

INAUGURATION CROWDS GROW BY THOUSANDS

President-Elect To Arrive From Marion Today; Many Members Already At Capitol.

WILSON MAY BE ABLE TO ATTEND CEREMONY

Cleanup of Suspicious Characters is Made by Police

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The influx of visitors to attend the inauguration has started. Hundreds of people arrived today, and tomorrow and Friday the number is expected to run into the thousands.

The forecast of cold and probably fair weather for that day, announced today, may increase the out of town crowd.

President-elect Harding will arrive tomorrow afternoon from Marion. He will go to the new Willard hotel where he starts his headquarters until he starts for the capitol Friday. Vice-president-elect Coolidge and several members of the new cabinet already are here, including Charles Evans Hughes, to be secretary of state; Will H. Hays, to be postmaster general; Edwin Denby, to be secretary of the navy; former Senator John W. Weeks, to be secretary of war and Senator Fall, to be secretary of the interior.

Take Up Work Saturday. Other members of the cabinet are expected tomorrow or early Friday. Most of them will not actually take over direction of their departments until Saturday. Meantime, some are conferring with present cabinet officers.

Mr. Denby today talked with Secretary Daniels, discussing naval policies and the naval appropriation bill.

Vice President-elect Coolidge worked today at his inaugural address, which he intimated would be brief and received political leaders and congressmen.

Whether President Wilson is actually to attend the inauguration of Mr. Harding still remains to be determined. House officials said that the president was anxious to follow all precedents and the congressional inauguration committee had agreed to provide a chair for him on the east portico of the capitol. Other guests will stand during the ceremony and the delivery of Mr. Harding's speech.

It is settled that Mr. Wilson will be present at the inauguration of Mr. Coolidge. He will ride to the capitol with Mr. Harding, but will not accompany him back to the White House as is the usual custom. Instead, he will drive direct to his new home on 21st street, where during the afternoon he will receive democratic senate leaders and other officials friends.

In the interest of safe sojourn for visitors here for the inauguration, the Washington detective force made a cleanup today of all suspicious characters.

Mrs. Eliza Helm Dies At Cottage Street Home

Mrs. Eliza Helm, wife of R. H. Helm of 777 North Cottage street, passed away at 6 o'clock last night. Mrs. Helm was born May 16, 1842. She had been a resident of Salem for 13 years. Besides her husband she leaves two daughters, Mrs. A. M. Lull, Salem, Mrs. Clara Grit, Rainier, Ore., and one son, R. T. Helm of Meritt. Funeral announcements will be made later.

Rotary Members Ready For Trip to Seattle

Eighty-one persons, members of Rotary and their wives, have signed up to date to make the trip to Seattle for the district conference next Monday and Tuesday. Two special cars have been chartered for the Salem contingent and these will be made a part of the Southern Pacific special from Portland. The Salem party will leave here at 9:20 o'clock Sunday morning.

NO DEFINITE ACTION BY BUSINESS LEAGUE

DIVORCE FROM COMMERCIAL CLUB NOT AGREED UPON

President Appoints Committee to Report on General Organization at Call Meeting

No definite action was taken by the Salem Business Men's league at the regular meeting last night relative to seceding from the Salem Commercial club, and it is said sentiment on the issue is still divided. The club instructed President Sisson to appoint a committee to report on general organization of the club at a special meeting which will be held at the call of the president.

Further, it was decided that every retail merchant in the city will be invited to attend the special meeting regardless of whether he is a member of the club. The meeting last night was fairly well attended by league members and members of other departments of the Commercial club. A lengthy discussion preceded the move instructing the president to name the special committee.

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HARDING AND PARTY OFF TO WASHINGTON WITH PARTING FELICITATIONS OF MARION

Silver Token Presented by Baptist Minister as Representative of Townsmen—Davis May Leave Portfolio and Speculation Indulged in as to Private Secretary

MARION, O., Mar. 2.—Speeded by a parting testimonial of affection from home town folks, President-elect and Mrs. Harding left for Washington tonight.

Mr. Harding's final words to his neighbors voiced a solemn realization of the trials ahead. But he added that he faced the journey confidently with an unflinching faith in the sympathy of his fellow citizens and providence of God.

His farewell message was delivered from the famous front porch to a concourse of several thousands. As he spoke his voice trembled with emotion.

The Harding special train departed at 7:30 o'clock, and will reach Washington at 1:30 tomorrow afternoon.

One Member in Doubt. Contrary to expectations the president-elect began his trip with one cabinet selection, that of secretary of labor, still to be definitely announced. The impression gained ground that important developments had intervened. The delay was interpreted as casting increasing doubt on the chances of James J. Davis of Pennsylvania. A virtual decision to appoint him to the labor portfolio was said by those close to the president-elect to have been reached at St. Augustine, but the friends of the other aspirants have been persistent.

MARION POST OF VETERANS FORMED HERE

C. F. Hagerman is Elected Temporary Commander Of Foreign War Organization For Salem.

CHARTER LIST STILL OPEN FOR SIGNERS

Installation Dated For March 16 and Portlanders Will Attend

A post of veterans of foreign wars was organized at a meeting of veterans at the armory last night and the name selected was Marion post.

Temporary officers were elected, and directed to send in an application for a charter at once. The charter list, however, will be left open for a few days for the benefit of those who would like to become charter members of the post.

A meeting was ordered for March 16 at the armory for the installation of the post, at which time about 100 members of Over-the-Top post No. 81, of Portland, are expected to be in attendance and assist in the installation.

Veteran Dies At Boise. W. A. Freeze, a member of Over-the-Top post, died this week in Boise, Idaho, and that post has appealed to the local veterans to attend the funeral and to meet the body, which will arrive in the city at 10:30 this morning. The Portland post also ordered a beautiful floral piece to be sent. At the meeting last night about a dozen veterans volunteered to meet the train and attend the funeral.

Marion post is organized under favorable circumstances. About 35 veterans of the World war and the Spanish war have already signed the charter, and it is probable that at least twice that number will be on the original list if they learn of the opportunity before it becomes necessary to close the charter list.

Eugene Man Active. C. F. Hagerman was selected as temporary commander at the meeting of last night, and will occupy that position until after the permanent organization has been completed and permanent officers elected.

Bolton Hamble, a member of Eugene post of the same organization, and at present holding a position with the state industrial accident commission, has been a moving spirit in perfecting the local organization, and the meeting last night passed a vote of thanks to him for the work that he has done.

Temporary Officers Named. A complete list of the temporary officers of this active young

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T. E. McCroskey and L. J. Chapin have been elected voting delegates from this chapter. On the golf tournament delegation to take part in the Rotary golf tournament March 16 in Seattle, the following men were named yesterday: F. D. Thielson, W. H. Burghardt, Jr., T. B. Kay and Homer Smith. Mr. Smith won the trophy at the Rotary conference at Victoria, B. C., last year, and he is expected to make a good showing for Salem in this year's events.

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