

FULL DOCKET PROMISED AT NEXT SESSION

Congress To Face Multitude Of Tasks After Convening Next Monday; Disposition Of Railroads Vital.

By Raymond Clapper (United Press Staff Correspondent) Washington, Nov. 24.—A crowded docket will confront congress on a week from today. Included in the war ended, half a dozen treaties growing out of the Mexican situation and many reconstruction problems.

Domestic matters pressing for attention include return of the railroads, development of the merchant marine, legislation to stamp out bolshevism, reorganization of the army on a peace basis, establishment of a navy policy, tariff legislation, development of public lands and natural resources, encouragement of Americanization and appropriation of several billions of dollars to run the government through the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1920.

In addition to this program, congressmen must participate in the political campaign which will get underway soon after the Christmas holidays. One third of the senate and the entire house of representatives must stand for re-election.

Domestic questions facing the new session when it meets next Monday shaped up as follows: Railroads. President Wilson is expected to return the railroads to private owners January 1. Legislation must be ready to govern their operation under private control. The house has passed the Eshel bill. The Cummins bill, containing the anti-strike clause which the house rejected comes up in the senate immediately after the opening of the session. The two houses are far apart and long negotiations to adjust their differences are probable. If a law cannot be put through by January 1, temporary measures probably will be passed to continue government guaranteed earnings under private control until permanent legislation is enacted. The Plumb plan for control of the railroads largely by employees themselves appeared to be dead for the present.

Americanization and Bolshevism. Scores of bills have been introduced in both houses aimed at "red" agitation and bolshevism. Most are in committee. The senate has pending, however, one reported out with the approval of the judiciary committee, by Senator Sterling, South Dakota, designed to punish sending of bombs through the mails and writing or circulating of radical literature advocating violent overthrow of the government. Bills to deport radical aliens and to require all immigrants to learn English within five years after arrival are pending. Several Americanization bills are also pending.

Appropriations. Thirteen regular appropriation bills must be passed before July 1 to run the government through the following fiscal year. These include the bills for the army, department of agriculture, district of Columbia, Indian appropriations, navy, sundry civil expenses, postoffices and post roads, fortifications, judicial and executive expenses and general deficiencies, diplomatic and consular appropriations, pensions and the military academy at West Point.

High Cost of Living. Several high cost of living measures passed the last session, but an extension of the Lever act will be considered soon after congress convenes, a bill for regulation of cold storage which has passed the house, will come up in the senate and numerous investigations still pending will probably result in further definite proposals to reduce the cost of living. Bills to regulate the meat packing industry will be pressed.

Army and Navy. Complete peace time policies for national defense are yet to be worked out. Military committees of both houses are considering universal service, the size of the peace army and encouragement of aviation. Naval committees will have to decide which of the United States will rely on heavy dreadnaughts combined with light and swift cruisers or on the new composite ship combining the weight of the dreadnaught with the speed of the cruiser. The size of the navy will also have to be decided upon. Indications are that if the league of nations is finally rejected, the administration will urge a large army and navy.

Tariff. No general tariff legislation is expected until economic conditions return to normal. Several bills for protection of special industries such as coal tar chemical glassware and pearl buttons have passed the house with little prospect of passing the senate. Higher tariffs have been approved by the house on tungsten, zinc and manganese ores. Repeal of the luxury taxes failed in the house but repeal of the Canadian reciprocity act was agreed to by the lower body.

Weather Forecast Oregon: Tonight and Tuesday fair. Maximum, 54. Minimum, 29. No Rainfall.

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PRESIDENT, ON WAY TO FULL RECOVERY, BUSY WITH BIG PROBLEMS

Washington, Nov. 24.—President Wilson, rapidly recovering from his nervous breakdown, today was engaged in: 1—Writing a message to congress, urging an extensive program of domestic legislation. 2—Preparing a message to the industrial commission, called to meet here December 1. 3—Planning the second fight for ratification of the peace treaty and the league of nations. 4—Selecting a new secretary of the treasury and a new secretary of commerce. Studies Coal Strike. 5—Studying the coal strike situation, so he will be in a position to make an attempt to prevent the wage scale conference breaking up. 6—Conferring at length with Secretary Tumulty on a number of important subjects. The president spent an unusually restful night, it was learned at the white house and was much refreshed this morning.

PORTLANDER FACES MURDER CHARGE AS RESULT OF SHOOTING

Portland, Or., Nov. 24.—A murder charge was filed today against Thomas Miller, who is alleged to have shot and instantly killed Guy R. Nelson, 23, at 11 o'clock last night. Nelson, accompanied by his wife, went to the lodging house of Miller to liberate his sister-in-law, Mrs. May Dalley, who, according to Mrs. Nelson, was being held in Miller's place against her will.

SPECIAL SESSION TO REINSTATE CAPITAL PENALTY IS OPPOSED

State officials conversant with constitutional law are unable to appreciate the necessity for a special session of the state legislature at this time for the revival of capital punishment as suggested by Representative Bean of Eugene in a statement given out here Saturday.

ASSESSED VALUE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY IN STATE LOWERED

The assessed values of private property in Oregon this year are approximately two per cent lower than for 1918, according to the final ratios announced by State Tax Commissioner Lovell this morning. These ratios which are figured by the state tax commission as a basis for the assessment of public utilities in the various counties show the percentage of the true cash value represented by the assessed values. The table of final ratios given out by Commissioner Lovell this morning follows:

NEW CONVENTION OF MINERS TO ACT UPON FINAL SETTLEMENT

Washington, Nov. 24.—A new convention of the United Mine Workers will be called to act upon any settlement of the coal strike reached by union officials in conference with operators here, John Lewis, miners' leader, said today.

JOHN LIKUSKY, LOCAL HORSEMAN, DIES HERE

John Likusky, 69, a well known figure in Salem and expert horseman, died at a local hospital Sunday morning. Appendicitis is believed to have caused death. The body is at Webb & Cough's parlors. Court and High streets. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Bundle 'Em Up; Boy Scouts Do the Rest for You

Tomorrow the Salem boy scouts start their drive against waste and extravagance and, incidentally old man H. C. L. through their waste paper drive, which is to extend over the entire city.

M'COURT CHOSEN AS SUCCESSOR TO C. U. GANTENBEIN

John McCourt of the law firm of Veazie, McCourt and Veazie, Portland, and formerly United States attorney for this district for the five years from 1914 to 1919, under appointment by President Roosevelt, has been selected by Governor Olcott as his appointee for circuit judge in Multnomah county to succeed Judge Calvin T. Gantenbein whose death occurred last week.

POLICE SEEK PERSON WHO STARTED RUMOR OF WILSON'S DEATH

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 24.—(United Press.)—Police were searching today for the man who last night broke up a mass meeting at the auditorium while Vice-President Marshall was speaking, by stirring a false report that President Wilson was dead.

MAN AND HORSE WORK ALIKE, JUDGE SAYS

By a decree handed down today by District Judge Bingham the services of a team are likened to that of a man.

Supreme Court Adjourns; Beer Cases Undecided

Washington, Nov. 24.—Supreme court today adjourned until December 8 without announcing any decisions as to the constitutionality of war time prohibition or the legality of 2.75 per cent beer.

PRINTERS' STRIKE ENDS

New York, Nov. 24.—With the eight week printers strike here officially at an end, officers of the typographical union announced all men for whom there was work had returned today.

COUNCIL IS RAPPED FOR BLOCKING MORE POLICE FOR SALEM

A veiled rap was taken at the city administration this noon for its blocking of police development as "a wave of crime is sweeping over the country."

INSTRUCTIVE TALKS FEATURE OPENING OF ANNUAL INSTITUTE

Opening what promises to be the most successful teachers institute ever held in Marion county, in the Salem high school building, A. E. Lee, of this city, this morning outlined the county library plan to the visiting teachers, and H. D. Sheldon, dean of the school of education at the University of Oregon, and H. C. Seymour, state industrial club leader, spoke on State Teachers' association and the industrial club work, respectively.

BUSINESS MEN HEAR PLAN OF SALVATION ARMY FOR BUILDING

The Salvation Army intends to erect a large community welfare building in Salem. In order to raise sufficient funds to do this a tag sale will be held throughout the county in the near future. These facts were made known today when Adjutant Edward F. Baldwin, of the Salvation Army, spoke before 55 business men at their noon-day luncheon at the Commercial club.

OBJECTIONS FILED TO ESTATE ACCOUNT

Charging that Charles Whitney, as administrator of the estate of Susan Staiger, and Carey F. Martin, his attorney, held open the estate for many years that they might get greater fees, Guy Alfred Staiger today filed objections in the county court to the final account made by Whitney.

San Francisco Shipyards Upon Open Shop Basis

San Francisco, Nov. 24.—San Francisco bay shipyards opened their gates today for the first time since October 1. They opened on an open shop basis.

CASH PRIZES

Desiring to learn the opinion of its readers regarding its new heading and make-up, The Capital Journal will pay \$10 in cash for the best letter on the subject, \$3 for the second best letter, and \$2 for the third best letter.

Letters must not exceed 300 words in length, must be signed with persons name and address. Awards will be made by disinterested parties. Contest closes December 1. Prize winning letters and the best of other letters will be printed.

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MEXICANS PUT OUT 'FEELER' IN WASHINGTON

Carranza Reported To Take Stand Jenkins Not Entitled To Diplomatic Immunity In 'Kidnapping' Case.

Washington, Nov. 24.—What is regarded as a "feeler" from the Mexican government to test America's temper in the latest "crisis" was put out today in Washington. Word was spread that unofficial advice from Mexico City indicated Carranza, in his reply to the United States note demanding immediate release of William O. Jenkins consular agent, will take the stand he is not entitled to diplomatic immunity therefore cannot be set free at once.

Collusion Yet Charged. According to this information, the Mexican answer will take it for granted that the Jenkins case, that it is one for the Mexican courts to settle and that the American must go to trial on a charge of collusion with bandits.

The American government, however, is paying no attention to it. An ultimatum is expected to follow any Mexican refusal or delay of the issue.

Attorney General PROTESTS BUILDING OF KLAMATH LAKE DAM

Any attempt by the government to lease for long periods lands reclaimed by the raising of waters in Upper Klamath Lake "is against the best interests of the State of Oregon and its people" and "contrary to the Reclamation act and the laws of Oregon," according to a letter of protest against the proposed action by Attorney General Brown Saturday to W. P. Davis, director reclamation service, Washington, D. C. The formal protest by the attorney general at this time is prompted by complaints lodged with his office by the citizens of Klamath county, Klamath Post, American Legion; and the State Land Board.

The controversy over the lands in question is brought about by the proposal of the Reclamation service to raise the water of Klamath Lake considerably higher than the high water mark for the purpose of inundating large tracts of land, including those heretofore patented to the state of Oregon as swamp lands and lands which it now owns in addition to land which the state is entitled to have patented under the swamp act of 1869 which inundation, it is alleged, would destroy the value of such lands to the state for the purposes contemplated by its laws.

"We are informed that the government proposes to build a dike around the lake near the meander line and thus prevent the flooding of adjacent lands by the raising of the water level of the lake," the attorney general's letter reads. "The government further proposes to lease these lands for 30 years to private individuals which policy we think is wrong; for even if such adjacent lands belong to the government, we contend they should be promptly reclaimed or thrown open to settlers under the reclamation act."