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## KENYON PLANS FOR ELABORATE LABOR SYSTEM

### Resolution Introduced Today Proposes Establishment Of Permanent Court For Adjustment Of Disputes.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Elaborate machinery for settlement of disputes between capital and labor is proposed in a concurrent resolution introduced today by Chairman Kenyon of the senate labor committee.

President Wilson would be requested by congress to call a national industrial congress, composed of 200 delegates divided equally between labor unions and industry, which would recommend a plan for permanent industrial courts and also formulate a program of principles to govern future industrial relations.

### Temporary Board Plan.

It also is proposed that, pending action by the national labor congress, the president establish a national labor board, to function temporarily like the labor board in hearing industrial controversies.

Senator Kenyon told the senate that the preparation of an industrial code was the primary thing he sought.

"If employer and employe could get together and agree on an industrial code recognizing the eight-hour day, a living wage, the right of collective bargaining and other fundamental matters," said Senator Kenyon, "then disputes over these fundamentals could be taken care of in the industrial courts."

### English Test Plan.

The conference proposed goes beyond the present conference or the former one which ended in disaster. England tried this plan and it was successful.

"In the adjustment period through which we are now passing there exists a general national agency for the settlement of industrial disputes, or for the determination of a general labor policy, and no general arrangement has as yet been worked out by representatives of employers and employes as to the fundamental principles which should contain in the adjustment of industrial relations."

The general public has suffered much from this state of affairs and will suffer further loss and inconvenience if the present situation is allowed to continue.

## MAINTENANCE OF ALLIANCES TO BE POLICY OF FRANCE

Paris, Jan. 22.—Maintenance of the "alliances that have saved the world" will be one of the chief aims of the new cabinet in France, Premier Millerand announced in his ministerial declaration of policy today.

The declaration began with a graceful reference to Georges Clemenceau, the retiring premier. Mr. Millerand pointed out that he had been called "the formidable honor of succeeding a ministry presided over by a great patriot who in the eyes of the world is the incarnation of victory."

The declaration continued:

"The execution of all the causes of the treaty of Versailles will be law to us. We shall pursue it without violence or feebleness—with unshakable firmness. It includes the close and cordial maintenance of the alliances which have saved the world. Without our allies, those of the first as of the last hour, what trial would not have been in store for us? What would have been the fate of our allies if France had not served four long years as the cover to civilization?"

## HOOVER RELIEF PLAN APPROVED BY BERLIN

Berlin, Jan. 22.—The German government in a statement issued tonight, expresses unequivocal approval of the proposed plan of Herbert C. Hoover to establish American relief warehouses throughout central Europe.

In order to facilitate the warehouse plan the government declares it will not only remove all import duties, regulations and needless customs formalities, but it will also afford special facilities in Germany.

The statement also asserts that transportation of relief commodities would take place under the watchfulness of the Hoover organizations, which would be considered a matter of national safety. It is contended would result in the safe delivery to recipients of the goods in a sound condition.

Issuance of the government's statement was intended to counteract an alleged misunderstanding in the United States with respect to the Hoover plan.

Jan. 22.—King Albert of Belgium conferred for a long time with President Poincare.

## Sixty Cases of Flu Reported In Burns Today

Portland, Or., Jan. 22.—Sixty cases of Spanish influenza have been reported at Burns and the nursing department of the Portland chapter of the American Red Cross today dispatched three nurses to the aid of the health authorities of the town following an urgent call for assistance.

## FIVE MORE BILLS FALL VICTIMS OF GOVERNOR'S VETO

Thirty-seven measures jammed through by the lawmakers in that wild week of legislation in the history of the state have fallen by the wayside, laid low by the governor's official veto, and the casualty list is expected to show several further additions when reports from the front are all in.

"Emergency" measures—bills of little general importance, many of them of purely local interest—have been attacked with particular glee by the official executioner, the governor taking occasion in numerous of his messages accompanying the returned bills to call attention to the abuse of the opportunities offered by the special session as well as the misuse to which the emergency clause has been put in connection with measures which not be interpreted as emergency legislation by any stretch of the most vivid imagination.

Norblad Bill Killed.

Senator Norblad's bill conferring upon the port of Astoria wide powers of bonding without consulting the people of the district, came under the disapproving eye of the governor today. In his message accompanying the remains of this measure back to the senate from which it emanated Governor Olcott declares:

"This is a measure making very material amendments to the general port laws. Ostensibly it is designated to affect the port of Astoria alone but in reality it affects every port in the state. With the exception of the provision relative to the issuance of bonds it would apply likewise to the port of Portland at such time as a bill affecting that port passed by the special session becomes a law. It will be noted that section three of this bill declares an emergency. By the use of this emergency clause the people within the confines of those ports as well as of the state at large are deprived of an opportunity of expressing their approval or disapproval of the terms of the bill."

Clerical Error Fatal.

A clerical error in house bill 42, designed to make more definite and certain the powers of the state board of fish and game commissioners in purchasing land for game farm purposes has resulted in the death of that measure at the hands of the governor. As pointed out in the official death message both the title and body refer to the measure as amending section 3 on "page" 287 of the general laws of 1915 whereas it is evident that the legislators intended to amend "chapter" 287, as the "page" referred to deals with pawn shops and not with game farms.

"The title of the bill in question even fails to mention that its subject matter relates to fish and game in any manner, consequently to allow it to go on the statute books would in no way enhance the powers of the fish and game commission and it might very materially affect the validity of the act relating to the business of persons loaning money other than banks and trust companies," the governor's message concludes.

Other Measures Die.

Other measures falling under the executive axe today together with the governor's message explaining his veto follow:

H. B. 20, by Edwards—Giving authority to the state for the construction of a bridge across the Nestucca river.

"It is a measure of purely local type covering construction of a privately owned bridge and should have had no place in the consideration of the special session."

S. B. 14, by Hurley—Regulating the grazing of non-resident owned livestock upon unenclosed lands.

## PERSHING IN SALEM FOR FEW MINUTES BUT VISIT HERE WAS NOT EXPECTED

General John J. Pershing, leader of the American Expeditionary Forces in France, was in Salem Thursday, for ten minutes his special train stopped at the Southern Pacific depot. He is en route to Mather Field, Sacramento, to review conditions there.

"Black Jack" was accompanied by his complete staff, several of whom accompanied him through all the months he spent in France.

Visit Unknown.

It was only ignorance on the part of citizens here that the general was due that prevented a reception properly due him.

Only seven persons were at the depot during all the time General Pershing was here. Only two greetings rose from this group, as the war lord, grim and silent stood on the platform of the train.

"Good luck, sir!" It came from the heart of a former soldier. And: "God bless you!"

General Bows To Woman.

It was an elderly woman; she could say no more for emotions denied her voice. She sobbed—the mother of a buddy who sleeps under the poppy-sprinkled fields of Flanders—as the general solemnly bowed, his cap in hand.

No word that General Pershing would arrive in the city had been received since the first mention of his itinerary, several days ago, that included a non-stop here.

## MCDONALD TRIO ACQUITTED OF MURDER TODAY

### Return Of Jury's Verdict Is Followed Immediately By Re-Arrest On Charges Of Perjury And Larceny.

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 22.—Verdicts acquitting Marie Fay and Ted McDonald of the murder here last June of W. H. McNutt were returned by a jury in superior court here this forenoon.

The defendants were immediately re-arrested, Marie and Fay on charges of perjury and Ted on a charge of grand larceny. Alleged discrepancies in their testimony in the present trial form the basis for the perjury charges and the grand larceny charge is based on the alleged theft of McNutt's automobile after his death.

The defendants, who were associated with McNutt in the ownership of a lodging house here and a farm near Scotia, Wash., were charged with having killed him in the lodging house and having buried his body on the farm where it was found several weeks later. They were arrested in California last October and returned here for trial.

Self-defense was urged by the defendants, who testified their brother, Will McDonald, also charged with first degree murder, but never arrested, struck McNutt with a hammer after he had intervened in a quarrel between McNutt and his sister, and the former had drawn a gun and fired several shots. The jury retired late yesterday afternoon.

## AMERICANS AND RUSSIAN TROOPS CLASH IN BATTLE

Washington, Jan. 22.—As a result of the clash between a detachment of American soldiers and Semenov forces on January 19 near Posolskiya, one general, six officers and 48 men of the Russian forces were captured and still held, the war department was advised today by Major General Graves, commander of the Siberian expeditions.

General Graves described the attack as entirely unprovoked.

The American casualties were one man killed, one man died of wounds and one severely wounded, while five Russians were killed and one severely wounded.

## Crest Of Flu Epidemic In Chicago Thought Past

Chicago, Jan. 22.—The influenza epidemic in Chicago today was believed by health department officials to have passed its peak. There was a decrease in the number of new cases reported, but the death list for the last 24 hours reached 61, the largest during any day since the outbreak began.

H. B. 41 providing a penalty of a jail sentence and fine for killing elk.

H. B. 42 directing secretary of state to audit certain vouchers for labor and material in connection with game farms in Lane and Benton counties.

S. B. 33 relating to the practice of medicine and surgery.

S. B. 1 providing for the employment of additional bank examiners.

Olcott Signs Twelve.

An even dozen measures were honored by the governor's official signature this morning in addition to those which were signed earlier in the week. These were as follows:

S. B. 11 increasing state aid to institutions caring for homeless, neglected and abused children.

S. B. 27 appropriating \$1500 for traveling expenses of circuit judges when on duty outside of judicial district or county for which elected.

S. B. 38 appropriating money for payment of salaries of supreme judges.

S. B. 48 providing for building at state institution for feeble minded.

H. B. 63 providing for oil portrait of Governor Withycombe.

H. B. 64 appropriating additional money for expenses of public service commission.

H. B. 67 providing \$50,000 toward completion and furnishing of women's building at University of Oregon.

H. B. 89 appropriating money for homes of orphans, wayward girls, Crittenden home, etc.

H. B. 81 for maintenance, improvements, betterments and repairs at state institution for feeble minded.

H. B. 83 for necessary repairs, alterations and furnishings for armory at Dallas.

H. B. 84 appropriating \$250,000 to meet deficiency in funds for administering soldiers' educational aid act.

H. B. 23 authorizing industrial accident commission to establish reasonable safety standards in places of employment and empowering state labor commissioner to enforce observance of those standards.

## Grosvenor New President Of Geographic Society

Washington, Jan. 22.—Election of Gilbert Grosvenor as president of the national geographic society to succeed the late Rear Admiral John E. Pillsbury was announced today by the society's board of managers. Mr. Grosvenor has been director of the organization for 20 years.

Troy Branson, former police patrolman Tuesday was placed in the department to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Chief Varney. Branson's appointment, according to Acting Chief Rowe, is temporary only.

## FRENCH APPOINT NEW CONFERENCE ENVOYS

Paris, Jan. 22.—Premier Millerand, M. Francois-Marsal, minister of finance, M. Isaac, minister of commerce, and Maurice Paleologue, former ambassador to Russia, have been appointed French plenipotentiaries to the peace conference. The cabinet approved and President Poincare signed a decree to this effect today. The new appointees replace Mm. Clemenceau, Pichon, Kelts and Tardieu, who resigned with their retirement from the ministry. Jules Cambon remains the fifth member of the peace delegation.

A similar decree was signed appointing Charles Jonart as the delegate of France on the reparations commission.

Controller General Manclair was named as assistant delegate.

## Governor Approves 49 Bills Enacted At Special Session

## TEN MILLION DOLLAR HIGHWAY MEASURE IS SANCTIONED TODAY

A total of 49 of the 57 measures passed by the special session of the legislature last week had safely run the gauntlet of executive approval up to this noon. Thirty seven have met sudden death under the official veto of the governor and 11 yet await the verdict of the court of last resort.

The ten million dollar highway bond bill passed by the special session of the legislature last week and about whose fate there has been considerable doubt since Governor Olcott began wielding his official axe against measures appearing in public under the chaperonage of old familiar "emergency clause" went to the secretary of state's office this morning to automatically become a law. Although the governor did not use his veto on this measure as he has been doing all down the line on "emergency" legislation passed by the special session, neither did he honor the bill by affixing thereon his official signature. He has simply kept hands off, leaving the measure to take its course and automatically become a law by failure of the veto to operate within five days after the receipt of the bill by the governor. The bill carries the emergency clause, thus shutting off any chance for referring the measure to a vote of the people. It will not become fully operative however, unless the people approve the Stewart bill increasing the bonding limitation of the state for road purposes from two to four percent. Under the present limitation it is possible to issue a total of only \$19,808,709.44 in road bonds. Bonds authorized to date for road purposes aggregate \$17,818,330.55 leaving a balance of only \$1,989,428.89 which can be issued under the new ten million dollar bill until the bonding limitation is increased as provided in the Stewart bill which will be up to a vote of the people at the May election.

Limitation Says Four.

In addition to the ten million dollar bond bill four other measures were forwarded to the secretary of state's office this morning to become law by the rule of limitation. These were as follows:

H. B. 41 providing a penalty of a jail sentence and fine for killing elk.

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## LIVELY TILTS FEATURE HEARING OF CASES OF UNSEATED SOCIALISTS

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 22.—Julius Gerber, secretary of the New York local of the socialist party, was the first witness called today at the trial before the assembly judiciary committee of the five suspended socialist assemblymen charged with disloyalty.

Committee counsel began presentation of evidence after Chairman Louis M. Martin had denied an application by Morris Hillquit, chief counsel for the defense, to introduce certain "admissions of fact," which he said would serve to clear the issues and save calling of a large array of witnesses. Objection was taken by John B. Stanchfield, committee counsel, on the ground that his aide, considered himself able to select what evidence it thought necessary to establish the desired facts.

Platform Introduced.

As soon as Gerber had been sworn, Mr. Stanchfield obtained from him a copy of the constitutional platform of the socialist party in 1917 which was introduced in evidence without objection by the defense.

Mr. Stanchfield also introduced in evidence the state constitution or the socialist party, from which he read excerpts, including one providing that candidates for public office should on receiving nomination leave their resignations with the party to insure their fulfilling party party commands.

By laws of the New York county socialist organization were introduced. Mr. Stanchfield read extracts from the national constitution of the party to show that any socialist voting for any appropriation for military or naval purposes shall be expelled from the party. The instrument further prescribed that socialists elected to legislative bodies should organize into a group separate from all other parties and should always vote as a unit.

Party Support Required.

Expulsion from the party is the penalty provided in the constitution for voting for any man for public office other than socialist party members, who has not been endorsed or recommended by the party organization.

The by-laws described the organization and administration of the local, and also contained the stipulation that candidates for public office must, upon accepting nomination, file their resignations with the organization to become effective whenever they should prove disloyal in political acts, to their party.

After Gerber had testified that he was familiar with the literature of the socialist party in other countries, Mr. Hillquit asked if it was not true that the same rule prevailed in the socialist party world over. Gerber replied in the affirmative. The charges state that the socialist party had expressed solidarity with the Russian soviet.

Gerber testified that all national conventions he had attended had been open to public and press.

The witness said no excerpts of constitution or bylaws read by Mr. Stanchfield were provisions revised in recent years.

The applications of Samuel A. De-

witt and Samuel Orr, two of the suspended assemblymen, were introduced as exhibits, and Mr. Hillquit admitted for his clients that the other three members, Charles Solomon, August Claessens and Louis Waldman, had signed identical cards.

The card bore the flaming torch, which is the socialist emblem, as well as the declaration by the applicant that he recognized the necessity of organization in struggle between the "capitalistic class" and the workers.

## GENERAL SEMENOFF ASSUMES CONTROL IN EASTERN SIBERIA

London, Jan. 22.—A Peking dispatch of January 17 says that General Semenov has assumed full powers of government in far eastern Siberia. General Horvath has assumed similar powers in the territory served by the Chinese Eastern railway, the dispatch adds.

A Harbin dispatch dated January 17 and received yesterday stated that General Semenov, who as commander in chief of the all-Russian armies had issued a proclamation declaring his assumption of supreme rulership in Siberia. The dispatch said General Semenov's representative in Harbin assumed that Semenov was only taking over supreme authority temporarily because of the lack of knowledge of the whereabouts of Admiral Kolchak.

## PORTLAND PROTESTS NEW LUMBER RATES

Portland, Or., Jan. 22.—Because of protests from local lumber exporters and millers, the Portland chamber of commerce has telegraphed to John Barton Payne, chairman of the United States shipping board, a vigorous objection to the new trans-Pacific rate on lumber shipments, information of which was received from Washington Tuesday by C. D. Kennedy, agent of the operations division of the emergency fleet corporation.

The new rate on shipments of lumber to the orient in shipping board vessels, determined upon by the traffic bureau of the shipping board and effective on all future sailings from Portland to the far east, is \$40 per 1000 feet, an advance of \$5 per 1000 over the old rate.

## 8 PASSENGERS LOSE LIVES IN LEAVING SHIP

### Boat Transferring People To Relief Craft From Disabled Transport Powhatan Capsizes In Open Sea.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 22.—Eight lives were lost when a boat from the transport Northern Pacific overturned yesterday in an attempt to transfer passengers from the disabled transport Powhatan, according to officers of the steamship Bardic which arrived here this morning.

The Bardic's officers said this statement was based on a wireless message received while on the way to Halifax after having failed in an attempt to take the disabled transport in tow. Officials of the navy department here said the boat had no record of this message.

A wireless message from Captain Randall of the Powhatan timed 10 a. m. today said he had started for Halifax in company of the Canadian government Lady Laurier at 8 a. m. He announced that there was no change in the condition of the ship and that a transfer of passengers would not be attempted "unless everything is absolutely favorable."

## BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE RETAINS CHOATE AS HEAD

E. H. Choate, director of the Salem Business Men's league, at a meeting of that organization Wednesday night, was unanimously re-elected to the post. Mr. Choate's election to succeed himself follows a careful survey of possible timber by a nominating committee that cast an undivided nomination for him.

Because of the absence of the majority of the members little business was transacted at the meeting. Reports on the progress of the home products week, now being staged here were read, reflecting disapproval of the participation of the Associated Industries of Oregon, that previously had been promised. Copies of the report were ordered forwarded to that organization and to the state chamber of commerce.

Action toward the naming of 23 delegates to attend the annual convention of the state retailers association at Astoria in February was taken.

That the interest and assistance accorded by business men of the city in making possible the Christmas decorations here during the holidays, that were reputed as the best in the valley, is highly commended is contained in the committee appointed to further the decoration movement. A balance of money left from the decoration work was ordered returned to the contributors.

Endorsement of the Business Men's league to a rousing welcome to Shriners here June 23—one of the days allotted for their convention in Portland—was voted.

## JAPAN TO OBSERVE TERMS OF TREATY STRICTLY IS CLAIM

Washington, Jan. 22.—Declaring that the success or failure of the peace treaty depended "altogether upon the spirit and manner of its operation," Premier Hara in an address at the opening of the Japanese diet yesterday at Tokyo said Japan would "be one of those states which will strictly carry out every term of the treaty."

The text of the premier's speech was received today at the Japanese embassy and made public. Mr. Hara reiterated Japan's determination to restore the leased territory of Kiau Chau in the Shantung peninsula to China, and said the government was taking "the necessary steps to translate their often declared determination into actual facts."

"It is a matter of regret," said the premier, "that there are some foreign critics who remain under the erroneous impression that the whole province of Shantung is involved in the so-called Shantung questions. I am happy to assure you that the determination of the Japanese government to abide by their pledged word to restore the leased territory to China and to work the railway as a joint enterprise of the two countries has never been shaken."

Theodore Gilbert of Albany sold more Red Cross seals than any other school child in Albany last Christmas, winning a \$5 prize. It turned in \$13.28 to the fund.