

COMMITTEE ON SOLDIERS BONUS PRESENT TERMS

EVERY EX-SERVICE MAN IN THE COUNTRY WOULD BE GRANTED CASH BONUS OF \$50 DIRECT FROM THE U. S. TREASURY.

In Addition Ex-Soldiers Will Be Given Insurance Policy Carrying Loan Feature; Federal Banks Will Be Compelled to Discount Them.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—"Say for me that the plan for a cash bonus for ex-service men has not been abandoned by the house ways and means committee," Chairman Fordney declared today.

"The committee has not given up hope of making a provision for cash payments. It may be necessary to abandon all plans for a cash payment, but the committee has not reached such decision yet."

Fordney admitted that among the plans being considered was one to merge the cash payment plan with the insurance features of the bonus bill. This plan would give a paid-up insurance certificate with an immediate cash value of 50 per cent of the face value, that the beneficiary could raise by securing a loan on his insurance policy at the bank. "The insurance policy would be good for an 18 per cent loan on its face value from the treasury after three years from issue."

It was declared that Secretary Mellon regards the cash-insurance plan as a "lesser evil," although he is opposed to the direct cash payments. Officials of the treasury department said such payments would not constitute such a heavy drain upon the treasury or upon the banks which would cash or loan money on certificates held by the ex-soldiers.

Every ex-service man in the country would be granted a cash bonus of \$50 direct from the United States treasury, if he so desires, under the new plan worked out by the bonus section of the house ways and means committee.

Aside from this \$50 cash bonus the soldiers will be given insurance policies carrying the loan feature. Banking institutions under federal supervision would be compelled to discount these policies for 50 per cent of their face value for a period of three years from the date of issue.

This plan was the complete agreement among the seven members of the bonus section of the committee on ways and means, and congressional leaders are confident that ultimately the bonus will be paid on those terms or terms closely approximating them.

Jesse Nell Operated On—
Jesse Nell, who was taken to a local hospital yesterday, was operated on in the afternoon and latest reports are to the effect that he is much improved over his condition yesterday, though not entirely out of danger yet.

Ill with Influenza—
O. H. Johnson is confined to his home with an attack of influenza.

SECRETARY OF NAVY DENBY CONFERS WITH PRESIDENT ON NAVAL APPROPRIATIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—The congress-navy row over the slashing of naval appropriations became so acute late today that Secretary of the Navy Denby and Chairman Madden of the house appropriations committee were both summoned to the White House for a conference with President Harding. Secretary Denby says that the American navy has been practically brought to anchor by the action of the house appropriations committee cutting the fuel allowance.

CHARLES PURDIN GETS SIX YEARS

PORTLAND, Mar. 2.—Charles Westley Purdin was sentenced to an indeterminate term not exceeding six years in the state penitentiary by Circuit Judge Stapleton yesterday following his conviction Saturday night of manslaughter for the killing of his divorced wife, Agnes Purdin, in her home at 448 East Forty-seventh street. Purdin has not been tried on the second charge of killing Howard Sigsby, supposed lover of Mrs. Purdin, who was found in her home when Purdin called there about midnight December 30. He was also fined \$500.

Stapleton was besought by Tom Garland, Purdin's counsel, to parole the man on the ground that he was broken down nervously and physically that any term in prison would mean his death. Members of the American-Spanish War Veterans added their plea to the same effect.

Stapleton said he could not consistently issue a parole, but declared that the jury's verdict of manslaughter was eminently a proper one. In some states, the judge said, Purdin's crime would not even have resulted in indictment, to say nothing of conviction, but he said he considered a penalty should be imposed.

Purdin had nothing to say when sentence was pronounced.

MASS MEETING TICKET

The following names have been selected by the committee of the Wednesday night mass meeting as open-minded men who would make good directors of the Chamber of Commerce. The ticket has been selected solely for the purpose of supplying specific names upon which all members opposed to the bank domination of the club may concentrate their votes in order that the opposition may be more effective:

- A. C. NININGER.
- FRED C. HOMES.
- O. O. HELMAN.
- A. L. LAMB.
- J. H. DILL.
- LOUIS DODGE.

These men are in no sense candidates. This will likely be the first notice they have received of being on this ticket. They are all members of the Chamber of Commerce in good standing and are eligible as directors. They are not making, nor will they make, any campaign to be elected. They have simply been named, without their consent, as a list of members upon which the members can concentrate their votes so that the vote may become effective.

SPORTING GOODS STORE TO OPEN FRIDAY MORNING

R. C. Danford of Portland, a brother of Beecher Danford of Ashland, has for several days past been busy setting up the carom equipment for Nininger and Warner in their new sporting goods store at the corner of Main and Pioneer streets, in the commodious quarters formerly occupied by Ferguson's department store. This work will be completed and ready for business Friday morning. For the purpose of familiarizing the Ashland public with the new game of "snooker," they have made arrangements to retain the services of Mr. Danford for several days for the purpose of instructing patrons in the rules and regulations of the new game. Nininger and Warner announce that all day Friday they will grant the privilege of playing on this table to anyone, under Mr. Danford's instruction, free of charge. While they are not yet able to announce their formal opening on account of a delay in the shipment of their soda fountain, they will throw their doors open to the public with what lines they now have on hand, Friday morning.

LARGE CROWD AT MASS MEETING

The mass meeting held last evening in the Armory was attended by about 500 people, all of whom are more or less interested in the advancement of Ashland.

H. O. Anderson was selected as chairman of the meeting and after having assumed that station, announced that the meeting was open. A motion was made that the chairman appoint a nominating committee consisting of three members. The chairman appointed F. C. Stevens, Dr. R. L. Burdick and E. W. Erickson on this committee and asked them to prepare the names of six members of the Chamber of Commerce who would be suitable for directors.

John Dill then took the floor and gave a few brief statements as to what he thought was for the betterment of Ashland in connection with the hotel proposition and other matters of the present day interest.

Mr. Greer then took the floor and explained his situation in regard to the hotel proposition by giving a brief resume of his talk given on last Thursday evening. After this, he made answer to the various items brought out in the meeting of Tuesday night.

Mr. Greer mentioned various matters that have held the hotel proposition down in the past and said that

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Dr. Hubert Work To Succeed Hays

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—It was officially announced at the White House today that Dr. Hubert Work, of Colorado, will succeed Postmaster General Will Hays, who will retire from the cabinet March 4 to enter the movies.

Dr. Work is now first assistant postmaster general and has personally handled the appointment of postmasters for Mr. Hays. Work is a former national committeeman from Colorado, and has a very wide acquaintance.

Haz Kik



I am now ready to bid the people of Ashland good-bye. I have fulfilled my mission. I have not tried to be popular. My mission was to wake the people of Ashland up to the fact that the progress of the town was being hindered. I accepted the mission because I did not see any other method whereby conditions could be changed in the interest of forward movements.

I believe, now, citizens generally are awake to the situation. It is now up to them. I believe, as surely as the sun shines, that Mr. Greer can get the big hotel and sanitarium for Ashland this summer, if the conditions are made tolerable for his work. My work is done. I have been simply the bugler calling the people to fall in, as it were.

In spite of the claims of the opposition, there is no personal feeling in my heart against anybody. Owing to peculiar conditions it was necessary to deal in some personalities in order that citizens might understand the situation as it is. That has been done.

I will be put to sleep today, I hope, never again to be called into requisition. I agree with you that aggressive harmony is essential in town building, but when impediments are under the wheels of progress it is more essential that they be removed than is harmony itself. Individuals do not count so much in community life as wholesale results. I am sorry that it had to be done, but I have no apologies for doing it. It had to be done. Good-bye.

HAZ KIK.

MARY PICKFORD WINS LAW SUIT; \$108,000 REFUSED

NEW YORK, March 2.—Mary Pickford, film star, won her case in the suit Mrs. Cora Wilkenning brought to collect \$108,000 commission for securing for the famous screen star a million dollar contract with Adolph Zukor to make pictures for Artcraft.

The sealed verdict, which was returned last night and opened today, rejected Mrs. Wilkenning's claim. Mary and her husband, Douglas Fairbanks, and her mother, Mrs. Charlotte Pickford, heard the completion of arguments by counsel yesterday. Mary's counsel pictured the film magnate swarming around with lots of money and claimed that his client did not need to hire an agent such as Mrs. Wilkenning to get her income increased.

Mrs. Wilkenning's lawyer said the scene of "City Hall park crowded with movie magnates sweating money at every pore" was all camouflage. With the exception of three or four of the big fellows, most of the offers to Mary Pickford would be like asking Sarah Bernhard to do a cake-walk, he said.

Mary and her husband were a little restless during the long arguments.

3210 CHECKS SENT TO EX-SERVICE MEN

SALEM, Or., March 2.—The first bonus money—3210 state warrants, representing bonus payments which amounted to \$19,870—was released yesterday morning, according to Captain Harry Brumbaugh, secretary to the bonus commission. An additional 1500 warrants, bringing the aggregate of cash bonus payments to well over \$1,000,000, will be ready for distribution to ex-service men within a week.

There have been a total of 20,150 applications, of which 11,622 call for a cash bonus, received by the bonus committee to date.

It is expected that the \$10,000,000 to be received from the sale of the first block of bonds, will carry the work up to the first of September, at which time another block of bonds will be offered for sale.

Lumber Camps Reported Open—

It is reported that the lumber camps are beginning to open up for the season, the camps at Weed, Calif., having employed about 1100 men, and the ones at McCloud about 700. The camps around Klamath Falls are having trouble as the men refuse to accept the wages offered, and the result is that very few men are at work in that section.

CONSERVATIVE PARTY IN ENGLAND PLAN PUTTING PLATFORM IN THE FIELD

LONDON, March 2.—Optimism which had begun to assert itself over the possibility of the settlement of the dispute between Lloyd George and his political enemies in the coalition party has been largely dissipated. Most of the leaders of the conservative (Tory) party met and decided that it was necessary to put a purely conservative platform in the field at the next election. This apparently widened the breach between the premier and his political foes.

ASHLAND PARTY SENDS CLIPPING

Mrs. Anna McCarthy, who is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Captain Frank Moore, at Camp Travis, San Antonio, Tex., recently sent newspapers describing the diamond jubilee of the founding of the first Protestant church in San Antonio. The Presbyterian church had the first building, a small adobe structure, in 1846. The Methodists were organized, but had no building. Going north to get money to build, they got no money, but a bell and some nails were donated. They generously loaned these to the Presbyterians to fix up their church until they could build, so a Methodist bell called the people to worship in the Presbyterian chapel.

The same spirit of cooperation is shown today and the sinking of denominational differences in the larger work of Protestant Christianity and the open Bible. The following is the article as taken from the paper.

40,000 Protestants March

An impressive religious demonstration was given February 5 in San Antonio, Texas, when nearly 40,000 Protestants of all denominations paraded the business streets of the city. The demonstration came as a climax to a three-day diamond jubilee, commemorating the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Protestantism in the city.

The procession headed by mounted police, bands and the open Bible in the hands of a little child, wound its way through the streets without confusion or mishap. A striking feature was the absence of any distinction between the various denominations.

Of all the various nationalities and races represented (among them Negroes, Mexicans, Japanese, Chinese and Indians), perhaps the most impressive was the Mexican body of more than 1000 converts to the Protestant faith. A conspicuous part of the population of San Antonio is Mexican, and one of the most infrequent sights—and perhaps the saddest because of its rarity—is the face of a happy Mexican. But the Mexican division in this parade radiated with light and hope and joy.

The march moved in regular order, the children in front, the adults following, all singing in Spanish, "Onward Christian Soldiers." On the faces of many of the onlookers who crowded the sidewalks was amazement, but cheers and applause came

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ESTABLISHMENT OF HOME LAND BANKS PROBABLE

WAGE EARNER WOULD BE ABLE TO OBTAIN LONG TIME LOANS AT A LOW RATE OF INTEREST FOR BUILDING.

These Loans to Be Used for Building Homes to Escape the Rent Evil, Says Senator Calder, Republican, New York, Discussing New Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—The establishment of home land banks much along the lines of the present farm land banks, whereby the wage earner would be able to obtain long-time loans at low interest for the purpose of building a residence and escaping from the rent "evil," looms again as the announcement of Senator Calder, republican, of New York that he would probably move soon for action on his proposed home land bank act.

The bill has been buried in the committee on banking and currency of the senate since last April and it is understood the committee does not favor its passage. However, a crisis in the building situation caused by the rise in the price of lumber of about 30 per cent, and increases in other building materials, has stirred Senator Calder, who himself is interested extensively in real estate and building operations.

Bill Is Sidetracked

The bill apparently has been sidetracked by the committee, of which Senator McLean, republican, of Connecticut, is chairman; but Calder is determined—if, in his opinion after an investigation, it will afford a speedy way out of the present "bad" situation—to move for action at once.

Calder's bill was largely aimed at helping workers in crowded cities such as New York, Brooklyn, Chicago and Philadelphia.

It proposes to divide the United States into eleven home loan bank districts, under the supervision of a special bureau of the treasury department. A commissioner of the federal home loan banks, appointed by the president, would administer the provisions of the act.

Co-operative Building

The bill also proposes to create co-operative building associations organized under state laws approved by the commissioner of federal home loan banks and operated under their supervision.

Ten or more such associations in any district, having combined assets of \$5,000,000 or more would be permitted to organize a federal home loan bank similar to the farm loan banks. These banks, the bill proposes, would make long-time loans to members on first mortgages for not more than \$10,000 repayable on the amortization plan.

Make Its Own Candy—

The Plaza confectionery will make its own candy in the future, having started in this week, and have quite a little candy already out and more in the making.

Woman Soloman Will Decide Child's Mother

WASHINGTON, D. C. March 1.—Miss Kathryn Sellers, judge of the District of Columbia juvenile court, today shared honors with King Solomon, the "wisest of the wise," when she essayed to decide the parentship of a seven-months-old baby ardently claimed by two women.

The women are as strangely different as the stories they have unfolded, each averring that she is the real mother. One is an Italian, Mrs. Maria Antonio Mattio, who recently arrived in this country; and the other is Mrs. Etta Peck, of Tuxedo, Maryland.

The Italian woman claims she put her child in the custody of Mrs. Peck, being unable to care for it at the time of birth. Mrs. Peck admits receiving the child, but declares she gave it to another woman, who took

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What Voters Should Know About Election

Many questions have been asked as to various things in connection with the forth-coming Chamber of Commerce election, and we have endeavored to get accurate information in regard to the questions that have been asked, and are printing the same for the benefit of the members of the Chamber of Commerce and the citizens in general.

In the primary, six persons are to be voted for, for directors, and six only, each for a term of two years.

The primary ballots are now being prepared to go to the members, and will be mailed today. Six and six only should be voted for on this ballot, and the ballot returned in person or by mail to the Chamber of Commerce, not later than 7 o'clock in the evening of March 6. When these ballots are counted, the names

of the twelve members having the greatest number of votes will be placed on the final ballot. This final ballot will be mailed out Thursday, March 9, to the members, and must be turned in not later than Tuesday, March 14, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

As in the primary, but six names are to be voted for in the final election.

Any member who is in arrears may pay up any time before Monday evening, March 6, and have a vote in the final election.

The following persons are hold-over members of the board of directors, and should not be voted for in either the primary or final election: A. C. Briggs, H. G. Enders, Jr., Mrs.

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