

WILSON AGAIN VOICES PROTEST TO CALIFORNIA

President's Final Word sent Governor Johnson Requests That no Discrimination be Shown Against Nations Having Treaty Obligations.

No Objection to Law Excluding all Aliens From Owning Land but Invidious Discrimination Deplored.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—President Wilson's final word concerning the anti-alien land laws now pending in the California legislature was sent to Governor Johnson and the presiding officers in both houses of the state legislature today in the following telegram:

Seek Friendship Only. "I speak on the assumption, which I am sure is well founded, that the people of California do not desire their representatives—and that the representatives neither wish nor intend—in any circumstance to embarrass the government of the United States in its dealings with a nation with which it has most earnestly and cordially sought to maintain relations of genuine friendship and good will and that least of all do they desire to do anything which might impair treaty obligations or cast doubt on the honor and good faith of the nation and government.

Therefore I appeal in the utmost confidence to the people, the governor and the legislature of California, to act in the matter now under consideration in a manner that cannot, from any point of view, be fairly challenged or called in question. If they deem it necessary to exclude all aliens who have not declared their intention to become citizens from the privileges of land ownership, they can do so along lines already followed in the laws of many other states and foreign countries, including Japan herself. Invidious discrimination will inevitably draw in question the treaty obligations of the government of the United States.

Registers Protest. "I register my very earnest and respectful protest against any discrimination in this case, not only because I deem it my duty as chief executive of the nation, but also, and more readily because I believe the people and the legislative authorities of California will generously respond in a moment to a matter frankly presented to them as a question of national policy and a question of national honor. If they have ignored this point of view it is, I am sure, because they did not realize what and how much was involved."

REBELS BOMBARD PORT OF GUAYMAS

DOUGLAS, Ariz., April 22.—The constitutionalists' bombardment of the port of Guaymas, Sonora, continued today, with the Mexican federal garrison replying briskly.

The federals have received a fresh supply of ammunition and it is believed they are in a position to offer a long resistance.

During the night the rebels were strengthened by the arrival of several companies of border recruits.

They now greatly outnumber the federals. The United States cruiser California is standing close to shore, with boats ready to take aboard any Americans who wish to leave the city.

LEVEE BREAKS, FLOODING HOMES OF 12,000

VICKSBURG, Miss., April 22.—More than 12,000 persons are threatened with the loss of their homes in this district today following the breaking of the Mississippi river levee at Woodlawn, Miss. near here. Heroic attempts are being made to hold the water in check.

STATE TO DEFY NATION BY LAW AGAINST JAPS

Governor Johnson Forced by Public Sentiment to Come out in Open—Thinks California Should not be Singled Out for Attack.

Only Legislation Deemed Absolutely Essential for Preservation of State and People to be Passed.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 22.—At a conference of a score of senators with Governor Hiram W. Johnson late today in the executive offices, it was agreed that the words "ineligible alien" are to remain in the senate bill, and that the policy embodied in the measure as drawn at present will be sustained. The anti-alien bill will be hurried through.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 22.—Anti-land legislation in the senate is today in a state of chaos.

With the assembly bill under consideration, and the senate bill well up on the files, at least three sets of amendments are awaiting action, on every one of which a bitter fight is expected. How many more amendments are to be introduced before the bill finally is in shape for roll call, no one in the upper house will predict. Floor leaders admit today that long debates and complicated amendments may cause final action on the measure to be delayed until the closing hours of the session.

Johnson's Statement.

Governor Hiram W. Johnson's statement, which today has been made public, and in which he explains California's attitude on anti-alien land legislation, has had little effect on the lawmakers. They say that Johnson was forced to come into the open on the subject by the sentiment of the people of the state, and that he also will be forced to sign any anti-alien bill that is passed by the legislature, for the same reason, regardless of his own personal opinion in the matter.

The governor, in his statement, contended that, inasmuch as the legislature is considering an alien land bill that is not discriminatory, California should not be singled out for an attack for exercising the same right which he declares has been exercised by many states, and by the United States as well. He referred to anti-alien land laws in Washington, Minnesota, Missouri, Kentucky, Oklahoma and Texas, and a United States statute governing the holding of land in the District of Columbia.

Legislation Essential.

"The character of the present California legislature," the governor said in conclusion, "is to guarantee that only legislation deemed absolutely essential for the preservation of the state and the protection of the state's people—legislation having its precedent in the enactments of the national government and the various states—will be passed. And such measures as may be enacted, will be considered thoroughly, calmly, judicially and without prejudice or discrimination."

SUNDRY CIVIL BILL PASSES THE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, April 22.—There was no session of the senate today, but the house met at noon. It agreed today and night sessions and passed the sundry civil bill, aggregating \$116,795,000.

The committee has also started an investigation of the slapping of Representative Sims' face by President Glover of the Riggs National bank.

The sundry civil bill carried the clause to which former President Taft objected—that forbidding the government to spend money to prosecute farmers' organizations and labor unions under the terms of the Sherman anti-trust law. It also carried \$600,000 for the San Francisco exposition.

FRANK L. POLK, WHO WILL ENFORCE UNDERWOOD TARIFF



Fifty per cent of the talk about the tariff, which is now troubling the house, the senate, and the president will in a few months simmer down to just one man—Frank L. Polk, who, it has been announced from Washington, will be named collector of customs at the port of New York by President Wilson. Fifty per cent of the importations into the United States during the last fiscal year went through New York. In other words, the total value of imports was \$1,653,264,934, and the value of those coming through New York was \$817,945,803.

If he names Polk, the president will have slapped Tammany Hall, the democratic organization

COST OF LIVING SENT SKYWARD BY PAYNE TARIFF

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Four democratic members of the ways and means committee, which is framing the Underwood tariff bill, today submitted their report to the house.

The report denounces the Payne law, alleging that trusts and monopolies thrive under republican government. The democrats estimate that the annual receipts under the Underwood tariff bill will aggregate \$996,000,000 and the expenses of government will be \$994,790,000. They estimate that the income tax will bring in revenues of \$70,000,000 which will more than overcome the deficit caused by reduction of tariff duties.

It is declared that the cost of all products has increased 46.7 per cent since 1897. Specific increases mentioned are: Farm products, 93.2 per cent; food, 46.7 per cent; clothing, 35.2 per cent; metals and implements, 48.2 per cent; furniture, 24.2 per cent. The greatest increases specified on land—184 per cent—and on mess pork—122 per cent.

IRRIGATION COMPANY TOLD TO ENLARGE DITCH

SALEM, Ore., April 22.—The state desert land board has today passed a resolution requesting the Central Oregon Irrigating Company to appear within fifteen days and show cause, if any, why the board should not begin action on the company's bond to compel it to comply with its contract with the state. This contract calls for the enlargement of the Central Oregon Canal to a capacity to serve all the land sold in the Powell Butte district in Crook county.

WOOD VISITING POSTS ALONG TEXAS BORDER

TEXAS CITY, Texas, April 22.—Reputating reports that the army mobilization point is to be removed from this point, Major General Wood, chief of staff of the United States army, has declared today that no such move is contemplated. Major General Wood is visiting posts in this district.

BELGIANS WIN GENERAL STRIKE FOR SUFFRAGE

Political Walkout Successful After Half Million TOLLERS lay Down Their Tools for a Week to Secure Votes—Government Yields.

Agreement to Consider Reforms Victory for Socialists—Workers Expected to go to Work Thursday.

BRUSSELS, April 22.—Pending the appointment of a commission to investigate their demand for equal suffrage, the political strike in Belgium of 500,000 workers who laid down their tools for their political rights was brought to an end today. The strikers were victorious, winning governmental recognition when the chamber of deputies, including government members, voted to accept the Belgian premier's proposal to appoint a commission to investigate the suffrage question and draft electoral reforms.

The commission already has been named and will meet tomorrow, its work being practically to arbitrate the differences between socialists and the government.

The government's agreement to consider reforms is a victory for the socialists, and many of the strikers are expected to resume work Thursday.

RAKER APPEALS TO PRESIDENT FOR ALIEN LAND LAW

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Declaring that the sentiment in the California legislature for a drastic measure aimed directly at Japan was overwhelming, Congressman Raker, Kettner and Church of California fervently appealed to President Wilson to continue his "hands off" policy in regard to the anti-alien legislation in that state.

The congressmen suggested that if the administration refrained from interfering in the state's affairs, a referendum might be attached to the pending anti-alien land bill in order that the sentiment of the people of the whole state may be ascertainable. Representative Raker declared the present situation in his state eclipses the situation there which resulted in Chinese exclusion.

Promotion of white slavery was another of the charges lodged against the Japanese by Raker. He also recited their encroachments upon agricultural communities, declaring they were cheapening the land. The Japs, he said, were honeycombed about San Francisco.

President Wilson asked the Californians today to produce statistics asserting the matter required serious attention. He will confer again tomorrow with the Californians.

PEACE PROPOSALS IN WEST VIRGINIA MINES

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 22.—In an effort to settle the coal mines strikes in the Paint Creek and Cabin Creek districts of the state, a convention of bituminous coal miners was called here today. Governor Hatfield attended the conference and presented a peace proposal.

ARIZONA PLANS FOR \$50,000 FAIR BUILDING

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 22.—Arizona will have a \$50,000 building at the San Francisco exposition and one costing \$20,000 at the San Diego fair, if the recommendation of the senate appropriations committee is endorsed. The minority members of the committee filed a report favorable to the appropriation of \$80,000 and \$40,000 respectively for the two fairs.

WOMEN DRESS AS LUNATICS SAYS BASIL KING



"I walked down Fifth avenue in New York the other day," Basil King, the writer of fiction, told a Boston reporter, and it seemed that I must have been at a fancy dress ball in a lunatic asylum. The women wore the craziest and most glaring colors. I felt as if I had been looking at a Cubist picture. I have no doubt this affects the people sentenced to watch it day after day.

"We used to understand that as civilization progressed the tendency was for women to cover up their bodies more. Now the tendency seems to be reversed. The gaudy and weird clothing worn by women kills everything except their figures, and with their hats obscures whatever spiritual qualities they may have in their faces."

TELEPHONE PROBE AWAIT'S NAMING OF FEDERAL ATTORNEY

SEATTLE, Wash., April 22.—Unwilling to drop the telephone trust inquiry summarily, the federal grand jury, which was convened in February is holding off its final report until May 5, the last day of the present term of court. The jury was expected to ask for its discharge Monday afternoon. Instead, following a conference between United States District Attorney Riddell and Samuel Hill, president of the Home Telephone company of Portland, and Riddell's presence in the juryroom for about an hour, the jury at 5 o'clock asked Judge Cushman for a recess until May 5. It was stated that the jury is awaiting assurance from the attorney general that the telephone probe will not be dropped.

The telephone investigation was cut off when Former District Attorney Coiner of Washington and McCourt of Oregon were relieved from office upon the inauguration of the new administration. No new district attorney has been permanently named for Washington so far, and it is likely that when he is named, Attorney General McReynolds will determine definitely upon a further plan of procedure.

ARRANGE MATCH FOR LUTHER McCARTY

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 22.—Providing the Ritchie-Murphy bout cannot be arranged for July 4, Promoter James Coffroth is planning today to match Luther McCarty and the winner of the Gunboat Smith-Jess Willard scrap for the above date. Smith and Willard will clash here about the middle of May, at a date to be decided later.

It is stated that McCarty is showing an inclination to meet the winner of this affair. Smith is now on the vaudeville stage in the east and the date of his next fight cannot be determined until his theatrical contract expires.

W. E. Shewman Dead. PORTLAND, Ore., April 22.—W. E. Shewman, editor of the Western Stock Journal, is dead here today from cancer. Shewman's home was in Oregon City. He formerly owned the Albany Evening Herald.

WHITE SLAVE EXPOSE RIVALS ROMAN TALES

Los Angeles Scandal Assumes Wide Proportions—Millionaires' Club Involved by Confessions of Girl Victims—Business Men Involved.

Motion Picture Actress Sentenced to Six Months in Jail But Sentence Suspended Pending Aid. to Police.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 22.—"When the truth of this white slave traffic in Los Angeles is out it will rival the disgusting tales of ancient Rome and the present clubs of London and Paris."

This was the declaration today of Detective Edward King, who is conducting the probe into the doings of an alleged girl-chattel ring here, and who declared that the probe is to be carried to a conclusion that will astound the entire state.

"Business men and men of the learned professions are mixed in this affair," continued King, "and their connection is pretty sure to be brought out before we are through."

Subpoenas have been issued for 26 persons to appear tomorrow as witnesses at the preliminary hearing of Mrs. Josie Rosenberg, charged with pandering. Among those for whom subpoenas have been issued, the police say, is George H. Bixby, a multi-millionaire of Long Beach.

Other developments in the case are:

Sentencing of E. J. Davis, an alleged associate of Mrs. Josie Rosenberg, proprietor of a fill street resort, to six months in jail; filing of a second white slavery charge against Mrs. Rosenberg; sentencing of Miss Kitty Phillips, motion picture actress, to 180 days in jail on the charge of vagrancy. Miss Phillips was the original complainant against Mrs. Rosenberg, her charges instituting the probe that may result in the wholesale expose. She was given a suspended sentence and at once departed in company with officers. It was reported that she will aid the state in securing certain evidence.

PROBING CHARGES OF POLICE GRAFT

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 22.—To allow a thorough probe into the charges that the San Francisco police are in league with gangs of bunco men and swindlers, the sentencing of Maurice De Martini, a convicted swindler who preferred the charges, was put over for two weeks today.

De Martini alleges that the police received fifteen per cent of \$100,000 or more that was cleaned up by his gang in San Francisco. The police officials and patrolmen inolved in the charges deny them in toto, and declare they are made in retaliation for the police activity against the bunco rings.

4000 CHILDREN OUT ON STRIKE, PITTSBURG

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 22.—Four thousand school children, pupils of 35 separate schools, are on strike here today because S. L. Heeter, recently acquitted of charges made against him by pretty Ethel Fisher, 18, a former maid in his home, is retained as superintendent of public schools. The children paraded the down town district today. A 4 year old girl was struck by a car and killed while attempting to join the marchers.

PRINCESS BITTEN BY DOG SHOWING SIGNS OF RABIES

DRESDEN, Saxony, April 22.—Following their being bitten by a lap dog which since has shown signs of rabies, Princess Mary Immaculate, sister-in-law of King Frederick August of Saxony, and her attendants are under a physician's care today.

SYSTEMATIZE CAMPAIGN TO SECURE WATER

Executive Committee Named by Commercial Club to Take Charge of Effort to Secure Signatures to Irrigation Contracts.

Strenuous Effort to be Made to Enlist Support of Everyone to Aid in Developing Valley.

An executive committee consisting of C. M. English, J. C. Brown, F. H. Hubbard, W. N. Campbell and J. E. Watt was appointed Tuesday morning at a meeting of the Commercial club special committee and members to organize and supervise an effective campaign among land owners to secure signatures for irrigation contracts. This committee will maintain a secretary, to be constantly at the service of applicants, list land owners, map out districts, route cars of volunteer contract workers, and tabulate the results secured, in other words systematize the campaign so that every land owner will be reached with as little effort as possible.

Joe Brown was selected to act as secretary for the committee, with offices in the Palm building. Every-one desirous of co-operating or assisting in the campaign, is requested to inform Mr. Brown. Those who have cars they are willing to donate, will notify him also. Each day's work will be laid out by Mr. Brown in advance.

Tuesday afternoon three cars went out and half a dozen are wanted for Wednesday.

Five cars of business men who worked Monday reported good success in securing contracts and in interesting land owners in the proposition. Many were seen and several hundred acres signed up, principally in small tracts.

At a meeting of the Merchants' association Monday evening, irrigation was the main topic discussed. Directors of the Commercial club were present and the hearty co-operation of both organizations pledged in securing contracts. President Perry named the following special committee including himself to look after the subject:

George Putnam, F. H. Hubbard, H. C. Garnett, W. F. Isaacs, S. A. Nye, C. M. English, J. W. Mitchell, Wm. Gerig, C. L. Schieffelin, T. W. Miles and J. E. Watt. This committee met Tuesday at the Canal company's office. In addition to the committee there were present representatives from all banks and nearly all business houses and an energetic campaign assured.

CANNOT CANCEL BRITISH TREATY

WASHINGTON, April 22.—State department officials made no secret of their belief that the proposal of Senator Chamberlain of Oregon to abrogate the Hay-Pauncefote treaty is impossible. It is said that under the terms of the Hay-Pauncefote convention it cannot be abrogated by the United States without the consent of Great Britain, because, under it, the United States received valuable considerations which it still holds.

WOOL FREIGHT TARIFF ORDERED SUSPENDED

SALEM, Ore., April 22.—The state railroad commission has been advised today that on its complaint the inter-state commerce commission has suspended the O. W. R. & N. freight tariffs on wool and mohair, which would have blocked eastern Oregon growers from shipping their wool east via the Wallula gateway. The rates have been suspended until April 30, pending a hearing.