

I. W. W. ATTORNEY MOVES FOR DISMISSAL

STATE RESTS AND DEFENSE OPENS FIRE

Attorney Vanderveer Begins in Earnest Fight for Lives of Centralia I. W. W.'s—Asks Court to Dismiss Case at Least Against Faulkner, Sheehan and Smith—Long Arguments Scheduled on Motion—State to Call 100 Witnesses in Rebuttal.

MONTESSANO, Wash., Feb. 18.—Moving for dismissal in behalf of each of the 11 defendants on trial here for the murder of Warran O. Grimm, Centralia Amistice parade victim, Attorney George F. Vanderveer today began in earnest his fight for the lives of his 11 alleged I. W. W. clients. The motion for dismissal came shortly after the prosecution announced that it rested. It was to be argued this afternoon.

Vanderveer's motion asked the court to dismiss the charges against each of the defendants and to instruct the jury to bring a verdict of not guilty, on the grounds of insufficient evidence. It was expected that particular attention would be given in the defense arguments today to the individual cases of Bert Faulkner, Mike Sheehan and Elmer Smith, defendants, whom the defense insists have not been connected by the state with the shootings.

Adjournment is Denied. A request to adjourn court for the remainder of the day was made by Attorney Vanderveer, but denied by the court. Vanderveer said he expected to be called as a witness this afternoon in the trial of 13 alleged I. W. W.'s being tried for criminal syndicalism in the court of Judge Ben Sheeks, but Judge Wilson said he wished to speed the case and not waste any more time.

Calling of defense witnesses was expected to begin tomorrow with the introduction of testimony designed to prove the plea of self defense, and to establish the contention that American Legion men in the parade rushed the I. W. W. hall before any shots were fired, according to an alleged prearranged plan. The defense has subpoenaed about 100 witnesses.

100 Witnesses in Rebuttal. The state, in rebuttal, expects to offer the testimony of nearly 100 witnesses. This testimony it is indicated, will be for the purpose of demolishing the testimony the defense is expected to offer.

The prosecution has called 75 witnesses since it began the introduction of testimony eight and one-half days ago. Two weeks were required to select a jury.

The state called four new witnesses today and the defense recalled a former state's witness, T. C. Morgan. The prosecution witnesses were Cecil Key of Centralia, Emory Coleman, Centralia, Mrs. Helen School and Mrs. Anna L. Whitmarsh, Chehalis. The state's witnesses testified that they saw no one rush the I. W. W. hall before the shooting commenced, told of how they first heard the shots and of their attempts to get away from the range of flying bullets.

Mrs. School and Mrs. Whitmarsh, who were driving cars in the Red Cross section of the procession, told of their efforts to drive out of the line to places of safety. Children were riding in both machines, they testified.

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"DON'T BE A REGULAR!" IS FINAL WORD OF MRS. CATT TO U. S. WOMEN VOTERS

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Alignment of women voters with existing political parties and abandonment of efforts to inaugurate a political organization of their own was advocated today by the leaders of the League of Women Voters, successor to the National American Woman Suffrage association. Republican and democratic members of the league urged the women to affiliate with their respective parties and expressed their opposition to the formation of a woman's party. The retiring president of the suffrage association, Mrs. Carrie Chap-

7 U. S. NAVY MEN ARE DROWNED WHEN 2 BOATS AT SEA ARE CAPSIZED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Five enlisted men were drowned in the sinking of a naval water barge yesterday off the Cuban coast, the navy department was advised today, and two others lost their lives in the capsizing of a motor dory from the U. S. S. Hovey last Sunday at Harwich, England. No details of the sinking were given out, but Admiral Knapp said a court of inquiry would investigate the sinking of the dory. The men lost on the barge were: Seaman Harry T. Clouse, Reading, Pa.; Leo T. Uchewicz, Cleveland, and Harry Sirody, Philadelphia, and Fireman Ed-ward W. Stover, Pittsburg, and Lulu G. Rlgdon, Lindale, Ga. Those lost with the dory were: Fireman Patrick G.H. Boston, and Coxswain Frank D. Moser, Philadelphia.

HOUSE PROPOSES ABOLISHING THE SUB-TREASURY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Abolishment of the nine sub-treasuries, the offices of the thirteen state surveyors-general, and two assay offices is proposed in the legislative appropriation bill, reported today by the house appropriations committee. A reduction of \$18,000,000 from department estimates for clerk hire and miscellaneous expenses was made, but the bill's total of \$104,120,000 is one of the largest peace time legislative appropriations on record.

Several unusual items including \$42,038,000 for the internal revenue bureau for collecting taxes and enforcing the national prohibition; \$11,324,000 for the war risk insurance bureau and \$5,000,000 for the decennial census, largely account for the high total. The sub-treasuries, which would be abolished at the end of this year are at Baltimore, New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, New Orleans and San Francisco. The surveyors-general to be discarded on June 10 next would include those in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Alaska. The assay office office at Utah, Washington, Wyoming and Deadwood, S. D., and Salt Lake City would be closed on June 30.

RECORD PRICES PAID FOR NEBRASKA HOGS

NEHAWKA, Neb., Feb. 18.—What the owner said were world's record prices for Hampshire bred sows were brought here yesterday at a sale by Raymond C. Pollard of this city. Forty-two head sold for \$21,895, an average of \$523, as compared with the previous high of \$360. One sow brought \$2,650, a new top for this breed. Buyers from twenty-eight states were present.

CONGRESS TO STAND PAT R. R. WAGES

Conference Railroad Bill as Presented Would Hold Railroad Wages to Present Level Until September 1st—Compulsory Arbitration of Labor Disputes but no Provision for Enforcing Board's Decisions. Government Guarantee for Six Months.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Wages established by the railroad administration during the war would continue in effect until September 1st under the railroad re-organization bill, the conference report on which was presented today in the house and senate.

Under the wage provision, pay of railroad workers would be stabilized at the present levels for six months after the rail properties are returned to private control and operation. The bill also seeks to stabilize rates for the same time, providing that prior to September 1 no rates may be reduced unless approval of the interstate commerce commission is obtained.

The restriction of wage increases was looked upon with especial interest by members of congress, railroad officials and union leaders in view of the recent demands of the more than two million railroad workers for an advance in pay.

Union Conference Called. The fourteen railroad union heads have called a conference to begin Monday to discuss the policy to be adopted in dealing with a commission either created by law or appointed by the president to arbitrate wage controversies as proposed by President Wilson in his recent conference with union officials. Director General Hines has requested a committee of railroad officials to confer on the subject with him tomorrow.

Chairman Esch, of the house managers, announced today that the conference report would be taken up in the house Saturday and Chairman Cummins of the senate managers, expects to call it up in the senate at a later date.

Features of Measure. The outstanding points of the measure as finally agreed upon are: Compulsory submission of labor disputes to a permanent federal board appointed by the president and composed of nine members as equally divided between the employees, employers and the public. No provision is made for enforcing the board's decision.

Adjustment of rates by the interstate commerce commission so as to yield to carriers a return of 5 1/2 per cent with another half of one per cent for improvements.

Distribution of half the net railway operating income increases, six per cent of the property value, equally between the carriers reserve fund and the federal railroad continent fund which will be administered by the commission for the assistance of the weaker roads.

Guarantee 6 Months. Government guarantee to railroads against a deficit during the first six months after the roads are turned back.

Permissive consolidation of railroads, if approved by the interstate commerce commission.

Appropriation of \$500,000,000 to be used as revolving funds from which to make loans to carriers and pay claims growing out of federal control. Unexpended funds now in the railroad administration's hands are also re-appropriated for that purpose and an appropriation of \$50,000 for the federal labor board is provided.

The labor section provides that "it shall be the duty of all carriers and their officers, employees and agents to exert every reasonable effort and adopt every available means to avoid any interruption to the operation of any carrier growing out of any dispute between the carrier and the employers subordinate officials."

A dispute should, if possible, be satisfied by boards composed of employees and railroad officials. Physical Valuation. Determination of the aggregate value of the property of the carrier for rate making purposes is left to the interstate commerce commission

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ALEXANDER KERENSKY ARRESTED BY SOVIET LEADERS CAUCASUS



LONDON, Feb. 18.—Alexander Kerensky, the former Russian premier, whose regime was overthrown by the bolsheviks in November, 1917, has been imprisoned in the Caucasus, according to a Central News dispatch from Copenhagen quoting the Estonian newspaper Varanias. The message declares that Kerensky recently proceeded to the Caucasus on board a British steamer for the purpose of inducing the population to promise their support to the Russian democratic center party. The Caucasian leaders, however, gave him a cold reception it is asserted, and on his arrival at Baku, he was arrested and thrown into prison.

NEW PRESIDENT OF FRANCE IS PUT IN OFFICE

Paul Deschanel Becomes Tenth President of French Republic. Succeeding Raymond Poincare—Playing of Popular American Airs Feature of the Ceremony.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—Paul Deschanel today became tenth president of the French republic, succeeding Raymond Poincare, who laid aside the robes of office at the close of the most critical periods in the history of the country. The formal transfer from the old to the new regime occurred at the palace of the Elysee this afternoon.

The inauguration of the French president is a formal ceremony and the number permitted to witness the transfer of authority is limited to



the presidents of the senate and the chamber of deputies committees from each house and members of the cabinet. Premier Millerand, shortly before the hour set for the ceremony, drove to the Palais Bourbon where, as president of the chamber, M. Deschanel has maintained his residence, and called for the president-elect. Entering a state carriage and escorted by a regiment of cuirassiers and preceded by a flag bearer, they drove to the palace where the ceremony was to take place. While the crowds massed along

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ALLIES PASS THE BUCK TO MR. WILSON

Mr. Wilson's Decision Will Be Carried Out if Mr. Wilson Will Indicate the Way. Allied Premiers Reply—Text of Note Not Given Out at Washington or London, but Press Get Summary—Wilson Threat Confirmed.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The reply of the supreme allied council to President Wilson's note relative to the Adriatic settlement has been cooled and forwarded to Washington by the American embassy here. Announcement has been made that the question of making public the text of the reply will rest with Mr. Wilson.

It is understood the communication sent to the American capital objects to a re-opening of the Adriatic question. It is said to declare that circumstances existing when Premiers Lloyd George, Nitti and Clemenceau framed the virtual ultimatum to Jugoslavia in January could not be ignored, and the president, it is asserted, is told the decision reached last December to which Mr. Wilson adhered in his note, will be carried out if Mr. Wilson will indicate the way this may be done.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The reply of the allied supreme council to London to President Wilson's note on the Adriatic situation was received today at the state department from Ambassador Davis and was deemed as fast as it came in.

It was announced officially that the reply would not be made public at this time and it was indicated that not even a summary of it could be given out. Publication of the reply has been left by the council to President Wilson, according to London dispatches, but the council expected to give the press a summary of its contents.

While waiting for the note to be decided, officials noted from the London dispatches that the reply was said to have been a modification of the original one prepared last Saturday.

PALMER AGREES TO HAUSERS REQUEST

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Attorney General Palmer today directed the federal district attorney at Portland, Ore., to make a "full and thorough investigation" of the charges made against M. H. Hauser of the United States grain corporation, by a federal grand jury at Spokane. The attorney general's instructions were given at the request of Mr. Hauser, who in a telegram to Mr. Palmer declared he "could not permit the statement of the grand jury to go unchallenged."

He requested that the United States attorney, after his investigation "give equal publicity to his findings as were given to the insinuation in the report of the Spokane grand jury."

GOV. LOWDEN OPENS S. DAKOTA CAMPAIGN

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Feb. 18.—Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, minority republican candidate for president in the March 23 primaries arrived in Sioux Falls today to open his campaign in this state with a speech here tonight. He is the first 1920 presidential candidate to speak in South Dakota and will deliver five addresses while in the state. Major General Leonard Wood, majority republican candidate for president, will open his South Dakota campaign at Yankton on February 24. Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California, independent republican candidate, is expected to trail General Wood within the next two or three weeks.

WOMEN FOR LEAGUE OPPOSE UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—The women's convention today endorsed the League of Nations, recommended "adhesion of the United States with the least possible delay," and rejected universal military training. Both resolutions were adopted only after prolonged and warm debate. Speakers who advocated the adoption of the League of Nations resolution indicated they favored reservations to safeguard American interests. Mrs. Raymond Brown of New York pointed out that the wording of the resolution would not oppose reservations. Opponents of universal military training declared it would have a "Prussianizing effect" on the country, and urged the need of strict economy in governmental expenditures.

MAY SEIZE FOOD TO LOWER H. C. L.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Fresh weakness showed itself today in the corn market. The chief new bearish factor was a department of justice report in regard to seizure of food-stuffs in an effort to control the lowering of prices. Opening prices, which ranged from a quarter to one cent lower with May \$1.32 1/2 to \$1.32 1/2, and July \$1.29 1/2 to \$1.30, were followed by a moderate further setback. After opening 1/2 to 3/4 down, including May at 80 1/2 to 80 1/2, oats continued to descend. Lower quotations on hogs pulled down provisions.

HANSON'S CANDIDATE! SEATTLE IS BEATEN

SEATTLE, Feb. 18.—Hugh M. Caldwell, attorney and former army major, and James Duncan, secretary of the Seattle Central Labor council, will run for mayor of Seattle in the final city election March 2. Caldwell and Duncan were nominated in a primary election yesterday in which Mayor C. B. Fitzgerald, candidate for re-election, was eliminated. Fitzgerald was Ole Hanson's choice for mayor when Hanson recently resigned as chief executive of the city.

ROSE PASTOR STOKES TO RUN FOR CONGRESS

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes of New York, millionaire communist and former socialist, one of 167 persons indicted by a special grand jury here January 23 for "advocating the overthrow of the government of the United States," today announced she would be a candidate for congress from the 14th New York district.

PAYNE ASKS REJECTION OF ALL BIDS FOR GERMAN LINERS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Rejection of all bids received for the 30 former German passenger ships offered for sale by the shipping board was recommended to the senate commerce committee today by Chairman Payne of the board who asked authority to renew negotiations for sale of the vessels for operation under the American flag. Chairman Payne said if the congress desired to change this policy to public ownership of ships the passenger liners should not be sold and congress should direct the board to spend the \$57,000,000 estimated as

M'ADOO IS OPPOSED TO THE PRIMARY

William Gibbs Will Not Allow His Name on Presidential Primary Ballots but Intimates Is Not Averse to Nomination—Wants to See an Uninstructed Delegation at San Francisco—Considers Principles More Important Than Individuals.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—William Gibbs McAdoo announced today that he would not permit his name to be used on presidential primary ballots in the various states and that he advocated the sending of uninstructed delegates to the democratic national convention. The former secretary of the treasury said he believed the highest constructive leadership can best be obtained if the national interest "is not submerged in a contest of individual candidates."

"Personally," Mr. McAdoo continued, "I would be delighted if the next national convention might actually be a great democratic conference where the utmost freedom of action should prevail and where the motive of high service alone should control." Mr. McAdoo's views were expressed



in a letter sent to Miller S. Bell, mayor of Milledgeville, Ga., in response to a telegram asking the citizens of his boyhood home had placed his name on the presidential preferential ticket.

He is Deeply Moved. "I am deeply moved," wrote Mr. McAdoo, "by this manifestation of the confidence of my friends, who live in the city of my boyhood and in the state of my nativity. It is indeed an honor to be considered by them worthy of such high station. I feel, however, that I should candidly state my position. I am not seeking the nomination and am reluctant to do anything that would create the appearance of a candidacy. I cannot help feeling that it is peculiarly a time when we should fight for principles and not for individuals."

"The momentous years through which we have just gone brought to the fore great human problems which go to the very roots of our social and economic life and insistently demand settlement. The destiny of the human race will be profoundly affected by the things we do and by the wisdom we show during the next four years. Patriotism and constructive leadership of the highest order

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necessary to convert them from troop to passenger vessels. Mr. Payne said passenger ships were scarce now and building prices high, but that these conditions might change and the value of the ships be correspondingly lessened. "If we proceed to re-condition the ships, making them fit for passenger use," continued the chairman, "it will take from six to 12 months to put them into service. Our conviction is that we will not hereafter be able to sell the ships for the cost of reconditioning plus the price at which we can now sell."