

# FIRST DAYS OF SENATE TO BE TEST

### New Session Facing Uncertainty In Party Control—One Vote Margin May Control Action On Issues—G. O. P. Rebels Feared.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—(AP)—As the count stands today, 48 republicans, 47 democrats and one farmer-laborer are entitled to answer "here" when Vice-President Curtis pounds his gavel to start the first full roll call of the senate in the seventy-second congress.

Exactly when that will be is uncertain. Which party will control is doubtful, despite an apparent republican absolute majority of one. That margin rests on the power of the vice-president to vote to break a tie.

There may be only 46 democrats for the next year. Governor Lutz of Louisiana, senator-elect, has formally communicated his purpose not to take his seat until his state term expires in 1932.

Or there might be a further outbreak of republican irregularity sufficient to shift the balance the other way.

**Last Reorganization in 1919.** There has been no political reorganization of the senate since the special session of the 68th congress in May 1919. That followed the elections of 1918 in which the republicans won a senate majority of two.

As a continuing body, the senate has no organization session at the opening of each new congress as is the case with the house.

There was a substantial republican majority in the house of the 67th congress, and to irregularity in the senate no classified. When the senate convened, May 2, Senator Lodge, republican, and up to that day, minority leader, offered a resolution to establish formally republican control of the senate.

It named Senator Cummins of Iowa, republican, as president pro tempore.

**Insurgents Closed Shift.** Senator Martin of Virginia, democratic leader, countered with an amendment proposing to substitute the name of Senator Pittman of Nevada, democrat. The only roll-call vote of the reorganization came on that amendment.

It was defeated, 42 to 47, with six senators absent and paired. Two leaders of the republican insurgent bloc of the senate today, Borah and Norris and Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, father of the present Senator LaFollette, voted with the republicans to effect the change of party power.

The senate will convene in the seventy-second congress with an even more narrow margin. If there is to be a democratic attempt to take control, an affirmative vote to that end must be made.

**What Might Happen.** A resolution proposing to name a democratic president pro tempore to succeed Senator Moses of New Hampshire, present republican holder of the post, is the probable method that would be followed. To be successful, it must be supported by at least two non-democrats.

Republican irregulars in the senate have voted in the past to give an important committee chairmanship to a democrat despite republican control. That was in the sixty-eighth congress.

Then Senator Cummins was the republican candidate for chairman of the interstate commerce committee, Senator Smith of South Carolina his democratic rival, Senator Cawthon of Michigan was the candidate of a group of republican irregulars.

**Long Deadlock.** There was a deadlock for a month. Finally, on the thirty-second ballot, Smith achieved the necessary majority of senators voting.

There is another senator on the republican side who will sit in the new congress and has a background of party irregularity even on organizational issues. He is Schall, the blind senator from Minnesota.

**Many Irregulars in 1917.** Schall was a member of the house, politically classed as a progressive, when the war congress, the sixty-fifth, was organized in a special session in April, 1917.

There were 212 republicans, 209 democrats, eight progressives and other scattering and six vacancies when the house convened.

The Minnesota member was the first speaker recognized by the clerk of the house, presiding until a resignation was accomplished. Schall urged that progressive democrat Champ Clark of Missouri for reelection as speaker.

On inquiry by the clerk, he formally nominated Clark, although saying he had not risen to do so but to explain his vote on the speakership.

**Clark Election Close.** Clark was elected, 217 to 205 for Mann of Illinois, republican, nominated by Lemuel, Wisconsin. Leonard received two votes, Gilbert of Massachusetts two, and two members did not vote.

The senate has had even closer party balances to contend with than it will know in the seventy-second congress. In the forty-seventh congress, the Garfield-Arthur

## OPERA STAR AMONG VACATIONISTS IN SOUTH



Galli Gurel, opera star (center), is shown here as the guest of Miami Beach, Fla., before starting a concert tour. At left is Mrs. Frederick Johnson and right, Mrs. Thomas Wells Durant, prominent New York society women, who are spending winter months at Palm Beach.

administration, it was tied, 37 democrats, 37 republicans and two independents.

In that congress, as in the seventy-first, about to pass into history, the republicans relied for legislative power on a house majority of 11 votes. The democrats relied similarly on a senate majority of eight votes over all in the sixty-fifth congress.

But never before have both houses been faced simultaneously with a one vote party margin as they will be in the 72nd congress.

Never before has a congress as a whole been shadowed from the start with such utter doubt as to what its voting line-up may be on every issue.

**Loan Increase for Vets May Meet Success.** A special grand jury session, ordered by Circuit Judge G. E. Shipworth to investigate reported crime conditions in Corvallis, has completed its inquiry and will report to the court Monday.

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## BANK FAILURES SPUR CONGRESS TO HUNT CURES

### Clash Between Advocates of Unit Proponents and Chain Advocates Will Add Interest.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—(AP)—Spurred by bank failures in recent months, members of congress expect to lay the groundwork at this season for the most important banking legislation since the Federal Reserve act.

The clash between the unit bank proponents and the group or chain bank advocates promises to precipitate a battle in the new congress.

The house banking and currency committee, which has been making an exhaustive study of group, chain and branch banking, hopes to complete the gathering of information at this session and make recommendations for the new congress.

Representative Louis T. McFadden of Pennsylvania heads this committee. A sub-committee of the senate



McFadden, chairman of the senate banking and currency committee, is conducting an inquiry under a resolution which provides for a complete survey of the national and federal reserve banking systems and recommendations for legislation as soon as practicable.

A measure sponsored by Representative Strong, republican of Kansas, is destined to prohibit group or chain banking. A bill introduced by Representative G. O. D. Borsuch, democrat of Maryland, would restrict chain and branch banking. Representative McFadden's measure would authorize the comptroller of the currency to examine each federal reserve bank, and every member bank and affiliated corporation of such bank.

**COURTS OF PARIS DODGE SANTA CLAUS ARGUMENT.** PARIS, Feb. 6.—(AP)—The Paris courts have neatly dodged an official investigation into the existence of Santa Claus.

An angry father, Jean Dauprey, sued a professor for \$100 because, he charged, the professor had disillusioned Dauprey's son about the existence of Santa Claus.

Just as the courts were face to face with the problem of setting a value on a child's faith in "Father Christmas," the holiday spirit and

the court's suggestions overcame M. Dauprey, and he reached an agreement with the professor.

**Belgian Savings Grow.** BRUSSELS, Feb. 6.—(AP)—The Belgian Savings bank, a state institution, is prospering in the financial crisis. Its deposits which totaled \$59,000,000 in 1929, increased in 1930 to \$169,000,000 and in 1931 to the record figure of \$200,000,000.

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"LISTEN, my son—" I shook with rage. "You've got to make a decision right now. If you take back your wife, we'll pray for forget. But if you take this woman, then you go—out of my home, my business—out of my life!"

Neal's face sank—paled—then hardened with grim decision. Slowly he walked toward me—slowly, desperately he spoke—"I take—"

## PEOPLE OF COAST HOOPER ADMIRERS

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6.—(AP)—President W. W. Atterbury of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, who returned today from a month's trip to the Pacific coast, said he found that the people generally have at heart "a deep admiration" for President Hoover.

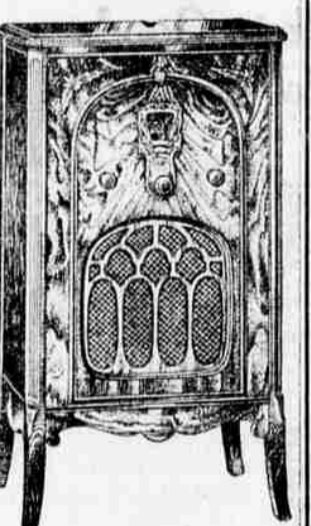
## CHINESE EXECUTE THIRTEEN REBELS

HANKOW, China, Feb. 6.—(AP)—Thirteen convicted communists and one girl caught were executed here today as the authorities continued their campaign against the Reds.

## OFFICER HALTS BIG RUM CARGO

William Brown is being held in the county jail here today on a transportation of liquor charge, having been stopped in the Ricketts mountains last night with a

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