

WICKERSHAM REPORT CAUSE OF ARGUMENT

Presidential Influence Is Denied; Minutes Held From Reporter

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 (UP)—Presidential influence on the Wickersham commission was the subject of widespread attention here today.

A resolution was introduced by Senator Millard E. Tydings, Democrat, Md., asking for a Senate investigation of the proceedings by which the commission reached its conclusions. Tydings explained later his purpose was to ascertain whether any persons not members of the commission had influenced its decisions.

DISCOVERED DECISION

The United Press was informed by an administration source that as a result of conferences between the president and Chairman George W. Wickersham, the commission's general report abandoned a tentative recommendation for immediate revision of the Eighteenth Amendment.

This disclosure came after it was discovered that two members of the commission, in their separate reports, referred to a recommendation by the commission for immediate revision of the amendment—a recommendation not appearing in the published version, which early suggested a draft for adoption in event anything was done.

DELAY NOTED

Republican senators were advised that the commission would report January 6. Actually the commission did not send the report to the president until January 19, although the main report and all separate statements were dated January 7. No explanation of this delay has been made.

Jonett Shouse, chairman of the Democratic national executive committee, questioned the wisdom of President Hoover's expenditure of a half million dollars to obtain the report, if he was determined to maintain his original view in favor of the Eighteenth Amendment regardless of the views of the commissioners, a majority of whom individually favored repeal or revision.

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"He was determined," Shouse continued, "that this commission of eminent jurists, constitutional authorities, and educators should be as subservient as the tariff commission, for example, has been in the past. It is not going too far to conclude that the confused result of their efforts was due to the knowledge of the limitation of their powers by the reservations in the president's mind."

Representative Fiorello LaGuardia, Republican, N. Y., introduced in the house a proposed constitutional amendment to restore to Congress the right to regulate liquor traffic as favored by a majority of the individual commissioners. Senator John J. Blaine, Republican, Wis., introduced a similar resolution in the senate yesterday.

FORECASTS POSITION
Senator Simon D. Fess, Republican national chairman, said today that President Hoover's message to Congress endorsing the Eighteenth Amendment and opposing its repeal or revision forecast the position he would take in the next presidential campaign.

Agreement was general that Mr. Hoover could be expected to seek re-election as a dry candidate.

The Illinois chapter of the Woman's Christian Temperance union sent the president a message declaring it was setting out to effect the "smear Hoover" campaign with a campaign to "cheer Hoover from now until after his second election."

FAVOR SHOWDOWN

At the same time some dries showed a disposition to favor a showdown by re-submission of the amendment believing they could win and thus decisively the present uncertainty as to the sentiment of the country.

The White House declined either to deny or confirm information regarding the changing of the commission's final recommendations.

Chairman Wickersham issued a 24-word statement saying the report that the president had persuaded the commission to abandon a tentative recommendation in favor of revising the Eighteenth Amendment "is absolutely untrue and without any foundation whatever."

SAYS REPORT FALSE

Tonight the commission issued a second statement:

"The attention of the chairman and members of the national commission on law observance and enforcement has been drawn to statements in certain newspapers that the commission had abandoned at the last moment recommendations for the revision of the Eighteenth Amendment." It stated, "These statements are wholly without foundation. At no time has the president in any manner attempted to influence the recommendations of this commission."

MINUTES SECRET

A request by the United Press to inspect the minutes of the commission or to be shown any document in the commission's files which would throw light upon the matter was refused by the secretary of the commission.

Chairman Wickersham and Commissioners Roscoe Pound and

"Lucky 20" Escape From Death Shaft



Here are the "Lucky Twenty" miners who escaped death after 20 hours entombment in the Mitchell shaft of Hetch Hetchy, San Francisco's new power water project, which has already claimed a toll of 13 lives. The men were held captive from Friday to late Saturday night after an avalanche of rock trapped them 800 feet underground.

Frank J. Loesch, when seen here, declined to make statements on the apparent discrepancy between some of the individual reports and the commission's final version. Newspapers showed the words in the separate statement of Commissioner William F. Grubb, who said he concurred in all of the commission's conclusions "except that in which a revision of the Eighteenth Amendment is suggested immediately."

WICKERSHAM LEAVES

Commissioner Paul J. McCormick also said in his statement that he agreed with all of the commission's conclusions "except that in which a revision of the Eighteenth Amendment is suggested immediately."

When it was remarked to Wickersham and Pound that there was no such recommendation in the final report, Wickersham brushed the inquiries aside and left the room.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 21 (UP)—The Wickersham commission report is a "conglomeration of contradictions obscured in a wilderness of words," James A. Reed, former Democratic senator from Missouri and a past candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, said tonight.

Reed said, however, that "when we cut away the underbrush of words, of theory, speculation and apology, certain conclusions are apparent. Although Reed, a corporation lawyer, retired from active politics after the 1925 campaign, he has the support of many persons in this section as the 1932 Democratic nominee for president.

SAYS FACTS HELD
"The commission, appointed chiefly to find and report the facts regarding prohibition, failed inasmuch as the real facts have been concealed from the public, even from Congress," Reed said.

"We have merely the different constructions the commission members placed on the facts."

"All commission members, of substance, admit the failure of prohibition to prohibit. While their conclusions differed widely, none had the temerity to assert prohibition is a success."

CHICAGO, Jan. 21 (UP)—Mrs. Charles H. Sabin, New York, national chairman of the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform, predicted tonight that the end of prohibition would be in sight by next year.

In speaking before a mass meeting of the organization, Mrs. Sabin said that the Wickersham liquor report indicated increasing wet sentiment.

"I can't predict when prohibition will be abolished, but I can say that by 1932 we will have made sufficient gains to be justified in saying that the end will be in sight."

LOUD SPEAKERS SILENCED

STOCKHOLM, (UP)—Bellowing loud speakers will not be tolerated in Stockholm—cafes, restaurants and other public places during Sunday church services. This is a recent edict of Hening Elmquist, governor of Stockholm.

BE SURE YOU'RE RIGHT.



ALL BUILDINGS ARE THOUGHT TO SURVIVE SEVERAL WINDS IN THE WIND, BUT THEY OFTEN BEND LESS THAN MEDIUM-SIZED ONES BECAUSE THEY ARE MORE SOULIDLY BUILT. THE WIND-SWAY OF SKYSCRAPERS IS RARELY MORE THAN AN INCH AND A HALF.

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DAILY CAPITOL NEWS LETTER

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his name with two 'i's "to get a little 'i' in his name."

SENATOR MARKS is a hero in his home county—Linn. He is the first alone in 24 years who has represented Linn county as former speaker in the house and present president of the senate.

A BILL introduced in the house by Rep. Arthur W. Lawrence, Benton county, would provide for repayment to school districts for educating children committed to child-caring institutions. SUCH institutions are located at Corvallis and Forest Grove.

"WHENEVER any child, committed by court order to a child-caring institution, attends any elementary public school while in such institution, the county court would reimburse the school district for educating the child, from the county school fund," the bill reads.

UNDER terms of the bill, the cost of educating the child in elementary schools would be determined by directors. They would submit a statement upon a form prepared by Superintendent of public instruction to the county school superintendent of the county in which the school is located. Upon approval, the forms would be forwarded to the county court.

ANY MOVE by the present legislature to create a new purchasing board for the state will meet with approval of the present board of control, State Treasurer Kay said.

"WE HAVE plenty of responsibility without that of purchasing the state's supplies," Kay said. "Often, we are cramped with our own work, and have to take our agent's word about things. We have no time to make thorough investigations."

Creation of a purchasing board would give us more time to attend our regular duties. California and Washington have separate purchasing boards."

NO DEFINITE move has been made by Benton county to absorb Lincoln county, according to representatives of both counties.

REPORTS were based around the capitol that people in the Wallport section of Lincoln county were anxious to have that county taken in by Benton, but as yet no petitions to that effect were received by Lincoln of Benton county lawmakers.

BOTH Representative L. D. Nash, Lincoln county, and Senator Johnson of Monroe doubted it is a step to merge the counties would be successful at this time. "While Wallport is a little cut off from other sections of their county and favors joining Benton, I think other sections of Lincoln county would object to becoming part of Benton county," Senator Johnson said.

BEHAVIOR if not, a state official recommends a cut in his own salary.

HE IS Sam Koser, budget director.

THE BUDGET he had prepared puts the salary of budget director at \$4,500 a year, instead of \$5,000.

RAILROADS and utilities committee will hold a public hearing Monday morning at 9:30 in the senate chamber on Burke's bill revealing the certificate of convenience and necessity requirements on public utilities.

Chairman Sam Brown scheduled the hearing in the forenoon, because many of his constituents find their time taken up at night on the ways and means.

ADVOCATE CLOSING
Only 23 families are now making a living by commercial fishing in the Rogue river," State Game Commissioner Ralph Cowgill declared at the meeting.

About 250 persons attended the meeting here tonight. Included among those who advocated the closing of the Rogue river to commercial fishing were William Briggs, Ashland, and O. O. Allendorf, president of the Medford chamber of commerce.

REPUTATES ARGUMENTS
Arguments advanced by those persons interested in having the Rogue closed to commercial fishing were repudiated by Roderick MacCarty, one of the leading salmon packers in the Rogue river section.

MacCarty spoke before the joint session upon the "day and night salmon census" taken at the Savage Rapids dam by the aid of flood lights during April and May of 1929.

The stock of salmon is in no way depleted, according to the census, which showed that about 25,000 fish climbed the ladders at the dam during the time the census was taken. McCarty pointed out.

He declared further that the closing of the Rogue river to commercial fishing would only increase the present unemployment problem by throwing out of work the commercial fishermen now engaged on the stream.

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Bartlett Here For Opening of New Gas Plant

Thomas A. Bartlett, manager of sales for the Natural Gas Corporation of Oregon, arrived in the city late yesterday from Portland and said that everything was all set for turning on the gas here today. Mr. Bartlett also gave out an advance announcement of the opening school which the corporation will conduct in Klamath Falls some time in the near future.

"We have invited all business men, presidents of civic clubs and other organizations and all the people of Klamath county to inspect the plant at 11:30 a. m. Thursday and we feel assured they will be as proud of it as we are," Bartlett commented.

H. E. Althauson, executive vice-president of the Natural Gas properties, A. E. Strong, general manager and E. M. Lindsey, superintendent of operations, arrived in the city last evening.

William S. Bell Killed by Auto

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 21 (UP)—William S. Bell, 45, died here today of injuries received when he was struck by an automobile as he was crossing a busy street.

The driver of the automobile, James Flett, told police that Bell dodged back and forth as though confused, and that when he swerved his automobile to avoid striking Bell, a rear wheel caught in the street car tracks and swung the car around.

Bell was knocked down and his head crushed by the fall.

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