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POLITICAL PARTY ON COMMITTEES

Special Committee From House and Senate Recommends New Code of Rules for Assembly

THE COMMITTEES TO HAVE TWELVE MEMBERS

Each Party to Have a Representation of Six—Republicans Raise Objections That Plan Will Rob Speaker of His Rights—No Action Taken and Assembly Adjourns to Next Tuesday—The Mileage Question Taken Up.

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 14.—An equal division of committee appointments between the republicans and democrats in the assembly, which is being organized through both branches of the general assembly, should this effort fail, is the hope of those who are in favor of the plan. It is expected that each body will name its own committees to hold hearings and give consideration to matters which are to be followed by congress and by many legislatures. The statement that a Connecticut legislature has ever allowed this method is accepted as correct.

Adjourned Till Next Tuesday.

The general assembly stands adjourned until next Tuesday, when the matter of the extra member of all joint committees will be the first business on hand.

The adoption of rules must be settled before any business can be done. Today after the senate had indicated its disposition to adopt in conference the time-honored joint rules of many republican legislatures, a resolution was sent to the house to raise a joint special committee to consider a code of rules to govern that body.

Committee of Twelve Named.

It was not cordially received by the republican majority in the house, which felt that the prerogatives of the body had been usurped by the senate. The house amended and sent back the resolution so that it called for three republicans and three democrats. The senate then amended it to provide for three democrats and three republican senators, equally divided politically. This was agreed to and the committee was made up as follows:

Democrats: Senators Landers, McDonough and McNeil and Representatives Thoms, Lockwood of Stamford and Bice of Southbury.

Special Committee Meets.

The resolution was recorded that Senator Cheney of the Fourth district, republican, was able to take Senator Perry's place, the latter leaving later for a trip in southern waters. The original resolution Speaker Webster had been named by the senate, but he declined to serve.

Equal Division of Committees.

The committee met in conference in the senate antechamber. Meantime the two bodies had prolonged their respective sessions. The senate opened in the building, none of the members went hungry. Many of them went over town to get a bite to eat.

The committee reported shortly before the senate met. Mr. Landers said it had been unanimously agreed that a resolution should be put in increasing the number of members to three. This would give opportunity for equal division of the appointments. He went on to explain that the committee had five republicans and five democrats. He said that the committee would call for two republican senators. The makeup of committees would, however, not be equal, as the senate had a democratic senate chairman and the republicans could have the house chairman. He said that the resolution was not ready and that as some conferences were necessary, he suggested that the committee meet on Tuesday. He said that adoption of this plan would mean that both bodies could organize and get down to business. The other side of the house had agreed for each body to appoint its own committee. The senate then adjourned without any further debate.

Mr. Healey Dissents.

In the house Mr. Hall made the report, in which he said that the committee had unanimously agreed to report the resolution which would create a division of the appointments. He went into an explanation of the effect of the resolution, mentioning the fact that the senate had a democratic chairman of a committee the speaker would be called upon to name the house chairman. Mr. Healey, his republican colleague, at once took exception to Mr. Hall's explanation and said he had agreed to any such thing. In the committee, he said, he had understood any action which deprived the speaker of his prerogative of naming the house members. No member of the senate, he declared, had any right to say who the speaker should appoint on the committee. He did not agree that Mr. Hall had said the committee had agreed upon nor would he vote on Tuesday for any resolution which took away the speaker's rights.

Would Not Abridge Speaker's Rights.

Mr. Everts of Milford rose and asked if he understood rightly that the report was unanimous. Mr. Hall said it was. Mr. Everts said he understood the situation. Mr. Hall had said the report was unanimous, while Mr. Healey said it was not. Mr. Healey rose and said he did not agree to the action as outlined by Mr. Hall.

Mr. Everts said he could not agree upon the plan of action if it took any rights inherent with the house. He had the greatest respect for the speaker and would not vote for anything which would deprive him of his right to name members of the committee. He would name members of the committee.

Major for Separate Committees.

Mr. Magee said that he understood that the report was unanimous. He did not intend to support any resolution that would attempt to force through the house a rule which would take away the speaker's rights. He was willing to have separate committees and thought the proposition had been a fair one to have the committees made six and six, equally divided politically.

Mr. Hall said he thought he had made a correct report of the conference. The only resolution to be offered would be one to make the membership of joint committees twelve by adding one senator. Nothing could be done at this time, so he suggested adjournment until next Tuesday.

Cabled Paragraphs

Divorced From Fanny Ward.

London, Jan. 14.—A decree of divorce was granted here today against the American actress, Fanny Ward of St. Louis on the petition of her husband, Joseph Lewis, the South African millionaire. The suit was undefended.

Deschanel Re-elected.

Paris, Jan. 14.—Ferdinand Deschanel was today re-elected president of the French Chamber of Deputies. He has been mentioned as a possible candidate for the presidency of the republic in succession to President Fallieres.

Ambassador Guild at Reception.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—Curtis Guild, United States ambassador to Russia, with the secretaries and attaches of the American embassy, attended the diplomatic reception given by the Emperor of Russia at Tsarsko-Selo this afternoon.

Appeal of "Father" Pasy.

Paris, Jan. 14.—A striking appeal for the election of a president of the republic who would truly represent the greatness of France and not the interests of a party of a group of politicians, was made today by Louis Pasy, the father of the chamber of deputies.

Trans-Alpine Flight Postponed.

Geneva, Switzerland, Jan. 14.—Jean Bieuvich, the Peruvian aviator started from Brig in the Canton of Valais today to fly across the Alps to Italy in his monoplane. The strong winds, however, caused him to descend nine minutes afterwards. He has decided to start again in three days.

STAR THEATRE BUILDING BURNED AT WESTERY.

General Alarm Early This Morning—Structure a Total Loss.

Westerly, Jan. 15.—The Star Theatre building, better known as the old Seven Day Mill, was totally destroyed by fire early this morning. The building was located on West Broad street on the West Side and when Policeman Nichols discovered the blaze shortly before 2 o'clock the Pawcatuck fire department was called out. At 2:30 there was a general alarm and the companies from the East Side went to the scene. The building was a three-story wooden structure and is a total loss. It was occupied by the Star Theatre, bowling alley, a restaurant and a small shoe shop. The cause of the fire is unknown. At 3:30 there were long lines of fire and the firemen were working to save adjoining buildings.

JACK JOHNSON LOCKED UP IN JAIL AGAIN.

Was Arrested on Train as He Was Leaving For Canada.

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Jack Johnson, the negro heavyweight pugilist, was taken to the county jail here tonight to await the judgment of Judge George A. Carpenter of the United States district court as to whether his bail bond of \$50,000, which he had given for his flight from the city after being apprehended today at Battle Creek, Mich., while on board a Canada-bound train, was sufficient to insure his appearance in court.

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To Abolish the Inaugural Ball

SECRETARY FISHER MAKES A RECOMMENDATION

IS TIME FOR CHANGE

Believes It Would Be Better For Congress to Make \$100,000 Appropriation Than Raise Money by Sale of Tickets

Washington, Jan. 14.—President-elect Wilson's inauguration in the opinion of Secretary of the Interior Fisher should be celebrated by a "popular reception in the streets of the nation capitol" to which there should be no charge whatever for admission. Instead of a grand ball, as in the past, with accompanying concert and supper in the pension building, to which admission is charged, Mr. Fisher expressed his view today in a letter to Senator Southern and Representative Sheppard, chairman respectively of the senate and house committees on public buildings and grounds.

Time for a Change.

"The time has arrived," says the secretary, "for making a fundamental change in the method of celebrating the inauguration of the president of the United States. He should be inaugurated in a manner fitting the dignity and importance of the occasion. It should not be left to the voluntary action of private spirited citizens. It should be most respectfully and earnestly urged that congress itself should take charge of the inauguration celebration and make the necessary appropriation therefor."

Favors \$100,000 Appropriation.

"An appropriation of \$100,000 would involve far less loss to the taxpayers than the \$1,000,000 which is now expended indirectly in the existing practice." He points out in this connection that the inconvenience to the pension bureau and also to the Indian bureau, which since the previous inauguration has been moved into the pension building, would result in most of the subsequent concerts, with extra charges for the supper, seats in the grandstand, and so on.

\$95,823 at Taft Inauguration.

To meet the expenses of inauguration balls, a charge of \$5 has been levied on the married citizens of the subsequent concerts, with extra charges for the supper, seats in the grandstand, and so on. Fisher's inauguration a guarantee fund of \$36,725 was raised and the receipts were \$95,823, leaving a considerable surplus.

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To Resume War Within a Week

ALLIES HAVE FIRMLY MADE UP THEIR MINDS

POWERS' NOTE IS MILD

Allies Do Not Believe It Will Be Effective—Advises Turkey to Abandon Adrianople to Avoid Complications.

Minds of Allies Made Up.

The allies have firmly made up their minds to take up arms a second time. The Turks last week were threatening to leave London and let matters take whatever course they might. Now the Balkan delegates are convinced that the allies are merely drifting, without a fixed policy, and they have decided to enter the seemingly fruitless debates and wire pulling and begin the battles anew where they left off more than a month ago.

No Faith in Powers' Note.

The German government failed to convene the grand council today and apparently has no intention of meeting the allies' ultimatum on Adrianople. The allies do not believe in the efficacy of the note which the powers will present at Constantinople because it is couched in too mild terms and simply advises Turkey to submit to the fate of war and abandon Adrianople for fear of complications in other parts of the empire at a time when Turkey could not find moral or financial support in Europe.

Bulgarian King Gets Busy.

Sofia, Jan. 14.—King Ferdinand and the members of the cabinet are starting at midnight for Mustapha Pasha. They will meet in that town General Savoy, the commander in chief, and the commanders of the four Bulgarian armies.

DETECTIVES BATTLE OVER VICE WITNESS

Police Seek to Get Sippa Away from District Attorney.

New York, Jan. 14.—Detectives from police headquarters fought detectives from District Attorney Whitman's office in the criminal courts buildings today in an effort to serve George A. Sippa with a subpoena issued by Police Commissioner Waldo. Sippa, former keeper of an elevator which finally made his way under heavy guard from the district attorney's office to appear Friday in court to testify in the vice investigation. His disclosure he boasted, would result in the dismissal from the police force of an important witness.

The courts probably will have to decide whether Sippa was served with a subpoena. It was thrust through the iron cage of an elevator which he had entered and fell to the floor. During the few minutes preceding his appearance in court, a group of about a dozen detectives attacked each other in flying wedges, in phalanxes and man to man. Five hundred persons witnessed the battle.

After Sippa had testified he was rushed in the center of a swarm of police officers to a waiting automobile and whisked away. District Attorney Whitman announced that he had detailed two of the strongest men at his disposal to remain with him day and night and protect him. The subpoena which Commissioner Waldo's men may or may not have served, summoned Sippa to appear Friday in court before Eugene Fox, a policeman, before Commissioner Waldo on charges arising from the vice investigation. He had been indicted this afternoon by the grand jury which Sippa had so much difficulty in reaching.

ENGLISH BABIES BRING PRIZES TO THE PARENTS

Also Bring Maternity Benefits Under New Insurance Act.

London, Jan. 14.—For several days many babies born in England will bring their parents all sorts of valuable prizes in addition to the maternity benefits of the new national insurance act, which took effect yesterday. The idea has so caught the public that many wealthy people are giving silver cups, porringers, spoons and money to the first babies born in various districts under the new act.

RHODE ISLAND WINS RACE OF ELECTORS

is First State to Get Its Electoral Vote to Washington.

Washington, Jan. 14.—J. S. McCabo of Rhode Island won the quadrennial race to Washington with the electoral vote of his state today. At 8 o'clock this morning when the office of the vice president opened at the capitol building, Mr. McCabo was waiting to deliver the vote of Rhode Island. A short time later H. M. London of Raleigh appeared with the vote of North Carolina. He also had tried to be the first arrival. A late train robbed him of the honor.

OBITUARY.

Admiral Gourdon of France. Paris, Jan. 14.—The death occurred here today of Vice Admiral Palma Firmin Christian Gourdon of the French navy in his seventieth year. He won fame in the Chinese campaign of 1885.

Unanimously Elected Senator.

Baldwin, Mont., Jan. 14.—Thomas J. Walsh of this city, primary preferential candidate, was today elected United States senator, receiving every vote in both houses of the legislature.

Hamburg-American Line Freighter Abandoned.

Abandoned, crippled by the great storm of Jan. 2 and 3, May, 1914, in mid-Atlantic.

Condensed Telegrams

In 1912 Just 1,066,345 Passengers Landed at the Port of New York from Europe.

All Grades of Refined Sugar were again reduced five cents a hundred pounds yesterday.

William Alden Smith was yesterday re-elected United States senator by the Michigan legislature.

Peter DuBray, said to heaviest civil war veteran, died at Chazy Lake, N. Y. He weighed 479 pounds New Year's Day.

Senator McLeop of Connecticut, childless colleague yesterday for lack of action on a bill to provide protection for migratory birds.

Concern is Felt at the State department over alarming reports of increased rebel activities in southern and southwestern Mexico.

Former Governor Charles S. Thomas and Governor John P. Shaughnessy, democrats, were elected United States senators from Colorado yesterday.

The Mercury Dropped to 37.2 degrees below zero at Moorhead, Minn., the cold being so intense that the clock in the weather bureau stopped.

The Lost Painting Virgin and Child, by the Italian painter Gentile da Fabriano, has been discovered in a small church in the town of Verre, Italy.

A Suite Has Been Reserved on the sixth floor of the Hotel Taft in New Haven for the president when he goes to Yale. The suite has nine rooms.

Samuel D. Coykandall, financier, philanthropist and educator, died at his home at Kingston, N. Y., yesterday, after a brief illness, in his 93rd year.

William Rockefeller, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. William G. Rockefeller, is spending a few days at Palm Beach, Fla., before returning to the north.

The German Government was asked yesterday to take immediate measures to counteract the high price of coffee brought about by the Brazilian valorization.

Charles C. Lucas of Fairfield filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday. His liabilities are placed at \$33,232. His assets, his entire available assets at \$9 in cash.

Every Employee in the Furnaces and mines of the Thomas Iron company of Easton, Pa., will receive an increase of 10 per cent in wages, the new scale to start Jan. 15.

Senator Root yesterday introduced a bill to amend the Panama canal act to eliminate the provision exempting American built vessels from payment of tolls.

A Bond of \$10,000 to Secure the release of William C. Bernhard of Cincinnati, one of the men convicted in the Indianapolis dynamiting trial, was signed yesterday.

Reformed Churches throughout the United States will celebrate with special services next Sunday the 35th anniversary of the publishing of the Heidelberg Catechism.

Representative Reppert of Cincinnati introduced a bill in the Ohio house yesterday to prohibit marriage or cohabitation between whites and negroes or Chinese in that state.

The Maine Senate yesterday voted in favor of the election of Edwin C. Burleigh, republican, for United States senator, but the house of representatives was unable to reach an agreement.

The North Carolina Senate yesterday adopted a resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the federal constitution providing for election of United States senators by popular vote.

The Wireless Station at Sayville, L. I., has been in communication with the wireless station at Nauen, Germany, a distance of 3,500 miles. This was the longest land and sea connection on record.

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An Amendment to the Federal constitution providing for the election of federal judges by a direct vote of the people is urged in the message of Governor Hodges, democrat, to the Kansas legislature.

William Fredericks, a New Haven road freeman fell from the cab of his engine at Groville yesterday and was killed under the wheels of the freight train attached to the engine. The body was badly mangled.

John Schultz, a Fireman of New York, has been placed under medical observation at Groville yesterday and his periodical disappearances from home and duty. He does not drink and his habits are regular.

It Was Learned Yesterday through a statement of officials of the First National bank and the New Canaan Savings bank of New Canaan, Conn., that an attempt to rob the two institutions was made last Tuesday night.

Nathaniel Green, a Negro, was convicted of assault on a white woman in Washington and sentenced to death. Green pleaded, guilty to escape the death penalty, but the district attorney refused to accept the plea and proved his case.

Village Wrecked By an Explosion

MANY WINDOWS SHATTERED AT HAZARDVILLE

FOUR MILLS BLOW UP

Two Employes Killed, Leaving Nine Children Fatherless—Three Seriously Injured—Three Churches Damaged.

The Dead and Injured.

Hazardville, Conn., Jan. 14.—Two lives were lost, three other persons more or less injured, and four mills of the Hercules Powder company, formerly the Hazard Powder company, demolished and considerable damage to property about the village done this afternoon, when more than two thousand pounds of powder blew up in one of the severest explosions at the Hercules plant in the experience of the village.

The Dead and Injured.

The dead were: Charles Blundon, aged 32 years. Jacob Stocker, aged 42 years. The injured: Joseph Trudeau, Elrick Trudeau, Henry Rosenberg.

Nine Children Left Fatherless.

Both of the dead men were married, Blundon leaving a wife and six children and Stocker a wife and three children. Blundon's wife at the time she married her was the widow of his brother, who had also been killed in the powder mill. It was stated tonight that Blundon had not been an employe of the company for several years, but was substituting today for the regular man, John McNamara. He had gone to work today it was said, with considerable reluctance.

Trudeau Was 300 Feet Away.

The most severely injured in Joseph Trudeau. He is a powder team driver. He was driving his team some three hundred feet away from the building when the explosion occurred. He was thrown from his team and picked up unconscious. Tonight, it was said, he had an even chance for recovery. The two children, including a flying glass. Rosenberg is the engineer at the plant and was standing behind a window in the engine room when the explosion occurred. He was showered with the splintering glass of the window.

Cause of Explosion Unknown.

The buildings destroyed were the press mill and the blowup mill. The press mill in which the two men killed were at work was about 300 feet from the other buildings. The blowup started there and within a few seconds three other mills had whirled skyward a mass of splinters. Blazing bits of roof were scattered about and started there and within thirty seconds the put out before much damage had been done. In each of the wheel mills were about 150 pounds of powder and considerably more was in the press mill. How the explosion started will never be known. The only man who could tell were blown to pieces. The buildings and all that searchers could find afterwards was some scattered fragments.

Explosion Practically Wiped out the sporting powder department of the plant.

The mill is located in a ravine just back of Main street and the principal street of the village and here the full force of the explosion was felt. The window sashes as well as the glass were blown out and the entire street was littered with the splinters and glass. Windows were broken and dishes and plates were scattered about and in many cases smashed. The stained glass windows in the Methodist church were shattered, the damage in each case being estimated at three hundred dollars. The bottom of the three edifices was the Methodist.

Trees Torn, Broken and Bent.

Within a radius of 300 feet of the explosion trees were torn, broken and bent. The ground was swept clean. A public school was damaged to such an extent that the children had to be dismissed. The explosion was heard and felt by towns miles away.

BLOOD ON TROUSERS OF JOSEPH SJOGREN

Deputy Sheriff Finds the Bottoms En-crusted with Mud.

Portland, Conn., Jan. 14.—A pair of khaki trousers said to have been worn by Joseph Sjogren, brother of the boy who was killed in the explosion, were found under a pile of stones, with several bullet wounds in the chest, are in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Hanson tonight. The deputy went to the scene of the explosion during the day and secured the trousers after he had been informed that the boy had discovered on one knee of the garments several spots which appeared to be blood. The bottom of the trousers were also encrusted with mud. Joseph has been missing since the night before the body of his brother was found. It was believed that he may have gone to Springfield.

ONE YEAR IN JAIL FOR SHOPLIFTERS.

Four Professionals From New York Sentenced at Bridgeport.

Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 14.—Four of the half dozen women shoplifters who were arrested at Bridgeport about Christmas time were each given a year in jail in the common pleas court, criminal case today. It was stated in court, were found to be professionals from New York. The police had no record of the other two and one of them was given four months in jail and the other two were given foreign names.

Recovers Verdict of \$2,500.

Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 14.—A verdict of \$2,500 was awarded Mrs. Ella V. Camp in her case against the Connecticut company in the superior court today. Mrs. Camp claimed damages for injuries sustained some time ago by being thrown from a car in Stratford.

Plans for a Blue and Gray monument at Fitzgerald, Ga., believed to be the first in the United States raised in honor of both Union and Confederate civil war heroes, have been accepted by the local commission in charge of construction.