

DISSATISFACTION OVER COMMITTEES

Many Republicans Displeased With Their Assignments—Four House Chairmanships Given to Democrats But No Senate Chairmanships For Republicans—Bill For Three-Headed Highway Commission Presented.

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 23.—The introduction of business for consideration of the general assembly in the house went into a greater extent for the first actual session than customary, was today overshadowed by the interest members took in the announcement of membership on the joint standing committees. Most of the democrats were jubilant over the places accorded them, but there were some democratic senators who did not favor as well as they had expected, and they openly expressed their opinion that the movement to prevent William H. Cadwell of New Britain being chosen as state highway commissioner and the reported holding up of the million dollar appropriation available for improvement of New London harbor were factors in their relegation to minor places.

Representative Hall Dissatisfied.

In the house, Representative Hall of Willington, who as a member of the special conference committee on joint rules had won the republicans over to the plan of an equal division of committee places, had asked Mr. Webster for the chairmanship of the excise committee, had said he had no second choice, was dissatisfied with his appointment to the chairmanship of the committee on banks.

Four House Chairmanships for Democrats.

Representative Ryce of West Hartford revolted against his appointment to the house chairmanship of insurance and informed the speaker that he declined to accept the place. There was also some displeasure expressed by republicans over the award of four house chairmanships to democrats when Senator Landers had not compensated the republicans with a single senate chairmanship. Mr. Landers said afterwards that he had understood that Mr. Webster would take all the house chairmanships for his own party. The democrats who have first place on house committees are Tracy of Thomaston on education, Lockwood of Stamford on rules, Koyl of Hartford on sale of lands and Kelley of Vernon on state library.

Objection to Keeney of Somers.

In the senate, Mr. Keeney of Somers was made the republican member of the excise committee. It was generally understood among members that there was objection offered by certain interests against Mr. Keeney, being named on that committee. Senator Landers said that so far as he knew the objection offered was simply based on the propriety of Senator Keeney serving, as he is a commissioner of Tolland county, which is described as a "pocket" county, and the objection had been placed before the republicans who had expressed their desire that Mr. Keeney be named. Mr. Landers said that he had been called by telephone several times on the matter of this appointment, but it had not been stated to him that there was any other objection.

Progressives Satisfied.

The progressive members of the house were given places which appear to be satisfactory to them. When the business adjourned until Tuesday there were many predictions that independent republicans would follow the lead of Colonel Hays in effect, except on matters in which party lines were drawn tightly, would cause the republican majority of two to disappear and give the democrats control.

Printing of Manual Held Up.

The members will have to depend upon their journals on Tuesday to make certain of their appointments, as the pocket manual which is usually gotten out for information has been temporarily held up at the printer's. This is due, it is understood, to the desire of organized labor to have legislative printing divided among other concerns that the one which has usually done the printing and which recognizes the union.

To Increase City Representation.

Of the business introduced in the house there were a large number of familiar measures, such as Mr. Pardee's fourteen New Haven town bill, which the introducer believes will be a step towards securing greater representation of cities in the general assembly. Heretofore Mr. Pardee has advocated the bill as a citizen, now he has standing as a member of the house. He also proposes a constitutional convention on the basis of one delegate from each town and one delegate for each 2,500 voters over the statutory limitation of 5,000 under which towns are able to get an extra member in the lower body. A revision of the general statutes is also proposed. The last revision was in 1902.

Three-Headed Road Commission.

As the nomination of Mr. Cadwell for highway commissioner to succeed Mr. MacDonald is expected to be sent in shortly by Governor Baldwin, the senators received a surprise in the form of a bill for a three-headed commission to be made up of one engineer and two road builders. This is a democratic bill. It was reported that

some of the democratic senators who are opposing Mr. Cadwell wish to have the commission form of highway administration under consideration as a means to secure delay on having Mr. Cadwell's name reported back to the senate after it is sent in, should it come in for confirmation.

Big Volume of Business Expected.

The appointment of clerk of bills will probably go to William Blodgett of Winsted, who was senate clerk last session and is a republican, while the democrats will name someone for engraving clerk, carrying out the understanding which was part of that which led to the republicans according to the democrats an equal division of the committees.

The senate passed a resolution for closing the introducing of business on Feb. 14, but the house did not receive this. House members are believed to favor a nearer date so that committees can get to work. Everyone is looking for a greater volume of business than ever before. The progressive members have something like 30 bills ready to go in which have been prepared under suggestions of the new legislative committee of the party appointed under its party rules.

New Armories Wanted.

New Haven, Waterbury, Hartford and Branford are already asking for appropriations for armories, and the number of bills affecting New Haven already indicates that that city will demand much attention of the several committees. A repeal of the present law governing the manufacture of electricity is proposed. It is understood, in the direction of municipal ownership of such plants which it is claimed was prevented by the 1905 statute.

Committee Assignments.

The committee assignments include the following:

- Sullivan of Bozrah, agriculture.
- Davenport of Pomfret, appropriations, contingent expenses.
- Rathbun of Groton, appropriations.
- Noyes of Lebanon, banks.
- Eugbee of Windham, banks, woman suffrage.
- May of New London, banks.
- Chapman of Montville, banks.
- Williams of Colechester, capitol furniture and grounds.
- Lampere of Waterford, cities and boroughs.
- Danielson of Plainfield, claims, joint rules.
- Smith of Canterbury, claims.
- Beebe of Mansfield, claims.
- Looris of Bolton, claims, states prison.
- Delaney of Norwich, claims.
- Pleasant of Putnam, congressional and senatorial districts.
- Dawley of Voluntown, congressional and senatorial districts.
- Wilson of Groton, education.
- Burdick of Preston, education.
- Hoxie of Franklin, excise.
- Morse of Woodstock, fish and game.
- Wilson of Lebanon, forfeited rights.
- French of Plainfield, humane institutions.
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- Storrs of Mansfield, labor, sale of lands.
- Congdon of Mansfield, labor, new towns, probate district.
- Hutchinson of Hebron, joint rules, legislative expenses, states prison.
- Peabody of Scotland, states prison, shell fisheries.
- Rathbone of Hebron, shell fisheries, legislative expenses.
- Gallup of Pomfret, legislative expenses, new towns, probate districts and Putnam memorial camp.
- Bureau of Sprague, manufactures.
- Chappell of Chaplin, new counties and county seats, states prison.
- Raine of Woodstock, public health and safety.
- Maine of North Stonington, public health and safety.
- Johnson of Thompson, railroads.
- Brown of North Stonington, railroads.
- McDonald of Putnam, roads, rivers and bridges.
- Snyder of Coventry, roads, rivers and bridges.
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FITZHUGH RESIGNS THE PRESIDENCY.

Chamberlin of Grand Trunk New Head of Central Vermont.

St. Albans, Vt., Jan. 23, President E. H. Fitzhugh of the Central Vermont railroad, resigned today and E. J. Chamberlin, president of the Grand Trunk railroad was chosen as his successor.

The directors also elected E. C. Smith of this city as a member of the executive committee and placed E. A. Chittenden of St. Albans on the board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Fitzhugh.

Mr. Fitzhugh was the personal representative of the late Charles M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk railroad and with the latter worked out the plan for the extension of the Grand Trunk system in New England by the construction of the Southern New England line.

While the retirement of Mr. Fitzhugh from the Central Vermont, which is controlled by the Grand Trunk, occasioned some surprise, it had been generally understood that he had felt himself less in harmony with the Grand Trunk policy in New England since the death of Mr. Hays and the abandonment of the latter's plans.

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Feeling That He Would Not Be Physically Equal to the Strain.

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Reasons given for this conclusion were many. Necessarily the inauguration ceremonies, involving a trip to the capitol, partying, the inauguration of the vice president and the proceedings in the senate, the delivery of inaugural addresses and the prolonged review of the inaugural procession, are tiresome, and it is feared that to follow these with a general reception would overtax the endurance of Mr. Wilson, especially in view of the fact that it would be impracticable to limit the attendance. It is estimated that from fifty thousand to one hundred thousand people would be in the line of those who would want to shake hands with the new president.

There also is apprehension as to the result upon the people themselves of getting together in such a throng, as at a reception to President Jackson some people were so disorderly it was necessary to throw them out through the window.

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El Paso, Texas, Jan. 21.—General Jose Blanco, official reporter killed, appeared, footcure and downcast, at the

"BRICKS WITHOUT STRAW"

Is Chamberlin Vindicated?

Why Grand Trunk Suspended Construction in New England

The following despatch from Boston was published by the Wall Street Journal January 22nd.

When President Chamberlin of the Grand Trunk suspended the construction of the Providence line he said:

"To be frank, the difficulty is to raise money. Mr. Fitzhugh used all the money that we received from the sale of bonds and we could not seem to get any more during the state of apprehension that exists in the money market over the uncertainty of what the Balkan war may lead to."

The money markets have now improved. There is a lessening in the financial tension in London and the bankers ventured last week to offer at 94 the Grand Trunk Pacific 4% branch line loans of \$479,300.

The public subscribed to \$130,000, or less than \$650,000, and the underwriting bankers were landed with about three-fourths, or exactly 73% of the loan.

This, of course, holds up the Grand Trunk credit until the London markets are more propitious.

President Chamberlin is now vindicated in his declaration that money and nothing else caused the cessation of the Grand Trunk construction in New England.

The Grand Trunk people say today, as they have said since the stoppage of the work, that construction was only temporarily suspended and that when they can raise the money they will build into Providence.

Perhaps New England people will some time be able to answer the question whether the proper way to raise money for railroad construction in New England is to get a New York grand jury to indict London bankers, Canadian railroad officials and the New England railroad system, because work has stopped as the money gave out. Spending money you did not have used to be considered the crime. But according to justice as now dispensed from Washington, through New York, for New England, the Egyptians must continue to make bricks after the straw has been used up.

A new grand jury has been impaneled at New York. But can Washington and New York combined force bricks without straw, however willing may be the hands of the Canadians or the Egyptians?

Major Henry L. Higginson, Boston's leading banker, says:

"There need be no occasion for surprise in the practical failure of London bankers to sell Grand Trunk securities. I think Chamberlin told the truth when he stopped construction hereabouts. He stopped because he had to.

"We are getting a lot of outside assistance to help New England commit suicide by indicting the railroads, the bankers, the constructing men, and the very capital that we need here. It is amazing to note the insanity of the public that refused to consider in the houses of legislation, or elsewhere, the question of the financial backing or the credits of the Grand Trunk when it entered New England. The public and some Rhode Island and New York papers are running a race to have the best friends of New England indicted—the only men who can raise the capital for New England railroad construction and development.

"What we need is to make the best out of the present situation and build up rather than tear down. Not only the Grand Trunk, but the Boston & Maine, needs credit to be of service to the public. How are we helping credit by these attacks? Mr. Hays did not know where the \$200,000,000 was coming from when he allowed his associates to promise new railroad construction to Providence and Boston, and Mr. Chamberlin had to stop when the money gave out. The problem now is to get more money into New England, not to drive capital and enterprise and construction away."

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FIRE AT NEW HAVEN CAUSES \$10,000 LOSS.

Three-Story Block on Lower State Street Damaged.

New Haven, Jan. 23.—Total damage, estimated at about \$10,000, resulting from the burning out this morning of the New England Vending company, located on the upper floor of a three-story business block on Lower State street. The greater part of the loss of the vending company was on the stock. The Pardee-Ellenberger company, wholesale dealers in phonographs and phonograph supplies, occupying the lower floors, suffered considerable damage by water. The cause of the fire is not known.

WILLIMANTIC MADE CONTRIBUTION OF \$554.10 TO MISSION.

Report Given at First Congregational Church Annual Meeting—Officers Elected.

The report of the annual meeting of the First Congregational church Thursday evening can only reflect a happy, prosperous and progressive organization divided into departments that are an uplift to the religious and civic life of this city in a large way. There were upwards of 175 at the supper served before the meeting by the Ladies' Aid society.

The report of A. C. Everett showed the church membership to be 434. The contributions to missions the past year were \$564.10.

All the reports showed the finances to be in a healthy and prosperous condition. Only two of the 23 contributors by the envelope pledge had failed to meet in full or in part their obligations. The chairman of the standing committee reported all bills paid to date, an electric vacuum cleaner and an electric motor for the organ having been installed during the past year.

Reports for all the church societies were made.

Mrs. Stillman in her report of the Home department paid a tribute to the Christian life of the late Miss Harriet A. Lewis.

Secretary Buckingham showed the Sunday school membership to be 234. Rev. Mr. Beard will give the pastor's review of the year's work and the outlook for the future in his sermon next Sunday morning.

The following officers were elected: Clerk and treasurer, Arthur Everett; standing committee, A. M. Hatheway, E. E. Bars, J. L. Harroun; pastor's assistants, H. T. Bacon, Fayette Safford, E. O. Sumner, C. E. Little, R. H. Fen-ton, F. D. Jordan, Mrs. Lorenzo Littlefield, Mrs. J. L. Harroun; deaconesses, Mrs. E. S. Wilkins, Mrs. Elizabeth F. Woodward, Mrs. Clara Williams, Mrs. Allison B. Ladd, Mrs. Charles R. Utley; Cunningham fund committee, A.

J. Bowen, Mrs. R. B. Truscott, Mrs. E. G. Barrows; Cushman fund committee, Mrs. James Hillhouse, A. C. Everett for three years, W. B. Knight for two years; fellowship committee, Mrs. Robert Fenton, Robert Fenton, Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Shepard, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lockwood, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Demins, Miss Dorothy Hill, Miss Leora Penn, Arthur Arnold, Charles Hill, missionary committee, Miss Fannie Bishop, Miss Mabel Stillman, Miss Edith Pickmer, Clark Burnham, T. Buckingham, E. O. Sumner; lower committee, Miss Mary Turner, Mrs. F. C. Wilcox, Mrs. E. A. Case, Mrs. Helen Bosse Cummings, Mrs. C. C. Case, Mrs. Harry Fraiche, Mrs. Robert Fenton, Mrs. Dixon Van Zandt, Miss Myrtle Jordan, Miss Helen Her-vington, Miss Ruth Moulton, Miss Mary Knight, Miss Maud Clark, Sunday school superintendent, P. S. Hills; assistant superintendent, E. F. Whitman;

Cyclers vs. Fire Companies.

The third session of the Pinochle and pool tournament between the Thread City Cyclers and the Willimantic Fire companies was held at the headquarters of Hill Top Base company Thursday evening with the following result. In the pinochle contest the Alerts won by the score of 4 to 4, and the Excelsiors beat the Hill Top by the same score. The pool contest resulted as follows: Excelsiors, 33 and Hill Top 50, Alerts 50, Cyclers 33, Hill Top 50, Excelsiors 30, Cyclers 31, Alerts 50.



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