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WILL NOW WHIP SENATE INTO OBEDIENT LINE

President Wilson Sends Orders From White House That He Must Be Obeyed.

HOUSE VOTE 247 TO 161

Require Future Foreign Relations Policy Rests With Fate of Panama Tolls Repeal.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—President Wilson had his first experience with the anti-bellum rules of the senate today. Taking up in person with Senators Kern, James and the other administration leaders in the upper house the question of expediting the tolls repeal bill he was told that this was impossible. Red tape and hoary precedent against cloture rules prevented prompt action there. The president was frankly told that the repeal bill cannot be forced to a vote in less than four to six weeks.

The house of representatives last night, after one of the most spectacular legislative struggles in the history of the nation, voted to repeal the provision of the Panama canal act exempting American vessels from the payment of tolls. The vote on the repeal bill was 247 to 161, a majority of 86 votes in support of the personal plea of Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States.

This verdict on the issue which has absorbed congress for many weeks came at the close of a stirring day, made memorable in the annals of the house by a party division which found Speaker Champ Clark, Majority Leader Underwood and others in open opposition to the president on an issue which the latter had declared vital to his conduct of the nation's foreign policy.

Convinced by the sweeping nature of his victory in the house that he has the backing of his party as a whole, the president was desirous today of rushing the bill through the senate so that the breaches in the democratic line-up might be promptly repaired.

But the senators with whom he consulted told him there was no way of hurrying the upper house. They will do their best privately to urge members to hustle the bill out of the way on the ground that to do so will aid the early adjournment every one is so earnestly hoping for. But not a single leader would venture a guess today as to when this might be possible.

It is admitted that certain senators hope to make political capital for the campaign of 1916 out of the bill. This is especially so of Borah and La Follette. Both will make lengthy set speeches against the Sims bill and both are past masters in the art of parliamentary tactics as applied in the senate.

It was admitted at the white house that the president realized this and he will personally rally his forces for the fight in the senate. He does not look for the bitterness there that he experienced in the house. Comparatively few of the democratic senators will make a fight against the president. O'Gorman of New York will be the leader. Chamberlain of Oregon; Walsh of Montana and Varnaman of Mississippi, will openly assist him and there are other democratic senators who may aid.

The Sims bill was received in the senate today and immediately referred to the committee on inter-oceanic canals of which O'Gorman is chairman. This committee stands seven to seven

on the proposition and is expected to retain the bill for a week or ten days. It will probably be reported out without a report and will then go on the calendar for debate. In the interim the president is expected to see a number of his party senators and urge all the expedition possible. The administration polls made by Senator James of Kentucky indicate a majority of almost two to one for the bill and even its most bitter enemies admit that a sensational change must come if the bill is to be beaten.

The senate inter-oceanic canal committee will meet to discuss the Sims repeal bill Tuesday morning, Senator O'Gorman, its chairman, announced this afternoon. O'Gorman said he had no idea how long it would take the committee to make a report. A number of other bills bearing on the tolls situation have already been referred to the committee and will probably be considered.

Some days ago O'Gorman stated that he did not desire to fight the bill in committee but rather on the floor, which statement led friends of the bill today to hope that a report will be made speedily.

An amendment providing that repeal shall not be construed as a surrender of the rights claimed by the United States to regulate the traffic passing through the canal, was proposed on the floor this afternoon by Senator Norris.

His amendment claimed the right by the United States that at any time to give to coast wise vessels and other vessels of the United States, either entire or partial exemption. It declared that the protest heretofore filed by England against such a construction of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty is recognized as presenting an international question suitable for arbitration. The president was directed in the amendment to begin negotiations with England for the determination of the question by arbitration.

Senator Polindexter of Washington introduced an amendment proposing that all consideration by the senate of the tolls exemption repeal bill be delayed until the president informs the senate in confidence if he so desires, what are the unnamed matters of "nearer consequence and greater delicacy" referred to in his address.

The resolution pointed out that the British embassy to the United States had "formally admitted" the United States had a right to exempt our coastwise trade from tolls and the British minister of foreign affairs "had in writing declared many of the material provisions of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty did not apply to the Panama canal because that canal was constructed under conditions not contemplated by either party at the time of the treaty."

The "particular object" of both treaties, the resolution stated, was the construction of a canal at Nicaragua, whereas the United States acquired the Panama railroad and canal wholly from Colombia, the French company and the republic of Panama, and that Great Britain had no right or claim whatsoever.

Orders From the Boss.
[By John E. Nevin, staff correspondent of United Press.]
WASHINGTON, April 1.—An ultimatum went forward from the white house to the senate committee on inter-oceanic canal today. It was useless that body promptly reports the Sims Panama canal tolls repeal bill, the administration forces in the senate with an estimated majority of sixteen, will summarily force the committee's hand. The president has decided after conferring with his advisors, that the rules of the senate shall not be permitted to delay im-

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MILAGE GRAFT TO BE ABOLISHED

New Appropriations Bill Cuts Down Fare Allowed to Senators.

TO ABOLISH THE MINTS

All Salaries for Next Year From President Down to Janitors, Is Proposed.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Abolition of what has been denounced for years as the "milage graft" of senators and representatives was recommended by the house appropriations committee in reporting today the annual legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill aggregating \$36,449,000. Substitution of a plan by which members of congress and their immediate families shall be paid their actual traveling expenses for one trip to and from their homes at each session of congress was proposed. The government now allows members twenty cents a mile.

Salaries for the next year of all federal employees from the president down to janitors were provided for in the bill. It proposed to abolish mints and assay offices at Boise, Idaho; Carson, Nev.; Deadwood, S. D.; Helena and Salt Lake City. Reduction of employees at the Seattle assay office was also recommended.

The usual annual allowance of \$25,000 for traveling and incidental expenses of the president was included in the bill. For collection of the income tax, \$1,000,000 was provided, the treasury estimates being cut \$500,000.

The bill gives the department of commerce \$75,000 for foreign commerce promotion purposes, \$100,000 for a staff of commercial attaches to trade conditions throughout the world, the state department \$50,000 for investigation of production and costs and \$50,000 for promoting South and Central American commerce.

Still Has a Chance.
PASADENA, Calif., April 1.—If Frederick Weyerhaeuser, the aged multi-millionaire lumberman, during the next 24 hours continues to show the surprising strength displayed today, he has a chance to recover, according to the physicians. The crisis in his illness is expected this afternoon or tonight. He is very low but his family has not yet abandoned hope. Weyerhaeuser is suffering from pneumonia.

THE WEATHER

For Keokuk and vicinity, Fair tonight and Thursday. Colder tonight. Moderate winds.

For Illinois: Fair tonight and Thursday. Somewhat cooler tonight. Moderate to fresh winds.

For Iowa: Fair tonight and Thursday. Somewhat cooler tonight. Moderate winds.

For Missouri: Fair tonight and Thursday. Cooler tonight with probably light frost. Moderate winds.

Weather Conditions.
The movement of the depression from the plains to the lake region was attended by rain and thunder-showers in the central valleys and the lake region.

High pressure, with cooler weather is following in the northern mountain region and plains regions, and conditions indicate fair weather for this section tonight and Thursday, and cooler tonight, with probably light frost.

Daily River Bulletin.

Station	Stage	Height	Change	Wthr
St. Paul	14	2.2	0.9	Rain
La Crosse	12	3.4	x0.4	Cl'dy
Omaha	18	4.1	x0.1	Cl'dy
Davenport	15	4.4	x0.2	Cl'dy
Keokuk	14	5.5	x0.3	Cl'dy
St. Louis	30	12.4	x3.8	Rain

River Forecast.
The river will rise from Davenport to Keokuk the remainder of the week.

Local Observations.
March-April Bar. Ther. Wind Wthr
31 7 p. m.—30.01 53 Calm Cl'dy
1 7 a. m.—29.97 47 NW Cl'dy
Rainfall for the past 24 hours, .46.
River above low water of 1897-5.5.
Change in 24 hours, rise 5.
Mean temperature 31st, 46.
Lowest temperature, 40.
Highest temperature, 53.
Lowest temperature last night, 46.
FRED Z. GOSEWISCH, Observer.

APRIL FOOL BY THE GIRLS

Twenty Students Disappeared and Had Faculty Almost Tearing Its Hair.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
DALLAS, Texas, April 1.—A two hour search for twenty students at the Oak Cliffe college for young ladies occupied the attention of the faculty members as well as the police of the city today. Believing that it would be an "April fool" joke on the faculty, the young ladies decided to disappear, and spend the day at Forest Park, without any trace of explanation.

Consternation prevailed when the young ladies who were in the dormitory failed to appear and a search of the dormitory revealed the fact that they had disappeared. A panic prevailed and a volunteer posse organized which traced them to the picnic park.

TEXAS BUREAU OF UNITED PRESS

New Evening Paper in Dallas Is Step Toward Improving Service.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
DALLAS, Texas, April 1.—A. H. Ballo & Co., publishers of the Dallas Morning News and the Galveston Daily News began publication here today of the Evening Journal, which is designed to cover the afternoon field thoroughly for Texas and Dallas. It is announced the purpose of the publishers is to furnish clean, entertaining and instructive news for the home. Edwin K. Doran, who has served in various capacities on the News, is managing editor of the Evening Journal.

The News is a member of the United Press service and its publication is partly responsible for the establishment in Dallas of a United Press bureau which will cover the Texas and southwestern field from the new Dallas bureau.

Are You a Gas "Promoter?"
WASHINGTON, April 1.—Are you a gas "promoter?" If so, you ought to be taking the civil service exams today, for Uncle Sam wants some more folks like you for his navy yard service.

Sheep Quarantine Lifted.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—The department of agriculture today lifted the sheep scabies quarantine in New Mexico, La Plata and Archuleta counties, Colorado.

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WARREN W. WARWICK, Notary Public.
[SEAL.] (My commission expires July 4, 1915.)

AVIATOR FELL TO HIS DEATH

Younger Vedrines Attempted to Loop the Loop in His Monoplane.

PLUNGED HUNDRED FEET

Twenty Fliers Have Entered Great Aerial Rally of Monaco, Opening Today.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
RHEIMS, France, April 1.—Emile Vedrines, younger brother of Jules Vedrines, the famous aviator, was killed here today while attempting to loop the loop in a monoplane. Young Vedrines' machine plunged 100 feet to the earth, crushing him to death.

Twenty in the Race.
LONDON, April 1.—Twenty fliers entered in the "aerial rally of Monaco," which opened today. Seven flying courses have been laid out from London, Paris, Brussels, Vienna, Madrid, Milan and Gotha to Monaco. As the distance from London is about 800 miles, other courses have been made circuitous so that the distance is practically the same and a prize of \$5,000 is offered the aviator making the flight in the shortest time.

The last stretch of the flight from Marsilles is over the sea and a time allowance is made so that the aviators may fit their aeroplanes with floats or change to hydro-aeroplanes. The competition is open for fifteen days.

Their Right to Vote.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
CHICAGO, April 1.—Whether women inmates of disorderly houses shall have the right to vote in aldermanic elections April 7, was put squarely up to the election commissioners today when supporters of Miss Marion H. Drake, opposing Bath House John Coughlan for the aldermanic seat in the first ward, challenged 1,323 names on registration books in the ward.

"Mazie," "Daisy," "Maude" and "Babe" all registered from one house in the eighth precinct, were the first of scores of registered women from the vice district whose cases were investigated by the election commissioners. Attorneys for Miss Drake contended that no woman can claim a legal residence from an illegal place.

1200 Men Back to Work.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
READVILLE, Mass., April 1.—Twelve hundred New Haven employes at the car shops here, who were laid off three weeks ago, returned to work today. The shop, which employs about 2,500 men, has been operating on part time nearly the entire winter. Railroad officials said full operation would be resumed today.

Storm in Kansas.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
COFFEYVILLE, Kans., April 1.—A near cloud burst and hail storm swept this section during the night, doing heavy damage. An electrical storm also damaged telephone and telegraph wires and communication with the outside world today is meagre. In Pittsburgh, nearly an inch of rain fell in twenty minutes.

Made Lewis Jealous.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—Senator J. "Ham" Lewis almost wept with envy today when he examined Vice President Marshall's vest. The vice president's waistcoat is Kborahan—the sort of stuff Persson rugs are made of—and was worn 209 years ago by a Hongboulak into a Kurdinh-Herati motif.

Friend of the Czar.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
BELLFONTAIN, Ohio, April 1.—Pelles and a certain prominent society widow, the latter with visions of an auto honeymoon tour to Seattle, are looking for "a friend of the czar of Russia" and a Boer war hero who remained here many weeks and today said "April fool." A local jeweler is also in mourning.

First Fish Story.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
WINSTED, Conn., April 1.—Trout season opened today. A correspondent here known as the "Winsted liar," wired New York papers that a strip of trout at Highland Lake grabbed a strip of beef, the big fish finally getting both beef and his rival a la eating twin cherries.

SUFFRAGETTES ENTER FIGHT

Active Campaign Against Asquith Who is Seeking Re-election.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
LONDON, April 1.—Militant suffragettes were today preparing for an active campaign against Premier Asquith in the election through which he will seek endorsement of his administration by re-election to the house of commons from east Fife. The election was set today for April 15.

Many suffragettes believe that the premier alone stands between them and the vote. Their hatred for him is intense and repeated attempts have been directed against him. Although no unionist candidate has as yet been officially designated to oppose Asquith, the suffragettes already have women in Cupar organizing the opposition forces.

"General" Drummond will direct the campaign. The authorities recognized the presence of militants today by ordering the police to take every precaution against outbreaks and the Cupar corn exchange increased the insurance on its building by \$5,000.

Much of the fire and fight had disappeared when the house of commons again took up discussion of the home rule bill today. There was a distinct tone of conciliation in the expressions of both sides. A division has been set for April 6 and rumors of a possible compromise were circulated. Many believe the opposition to the offer of six years exclusion for such Ulster counties as vote against home rule in "local option" elections, may be withdrawn, but this, it is admitted, would be approved by Sir Edward Carson only as a last resort.

The suggestion as advanced by Sir Edward Grey for a federal system for the united kingdom has met with general approval. The army issue has undoubtedly had much to do with the unionists showing a disposition to discuss further compromise measures. They do not desire election with parliament as against the army as an issue such as would be certain if they pressed matters along the lines followed by Sir Edward Carson and which brought on the army upheaval. The passing of the home rule bill and other government measures followed by a general election, is now believed likely.

Nearing a Settlement.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
TOLEDO, Ohio, April 1.—Toledo's street car fare situation approached a settlement today when the street railway officials agreed to try out the city council's three cent fare ordinance for a long test. The city was requested to wait a short time until the company can adjust its affairs to meet conditions.

Mines Close Friday.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
PHILADELPHIA, April 1.—Scott coal mines in the central district of Pennsylvania will close Friday if a working agreement between the operators and the miners is not signed before that time. The present negotiations started March 3 and the thirty days limit, therefore does not expire until tomorrow. A conference was called this morning in an effort to reach a settlement and avert the impending lay off of 75,000 men.

Looked Just Like Taft.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 1.—John Crowley, a houseman, former President Taft's double, died early today from injuries received when knocked down by an auto last night. Chauffeur Charles Nelson, held by the police, insisted that the accident was unavoidable.

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MEXICAN WAR STILL IN DOUBT

Plenty of Rumors That Villa Has Not Taken the City of Torreón.

PERHAPS IS DEFEATED

Federal Reinforcements Will Soon Arrive and Rebels May Be Put to Rout.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
NEW YORK, April 1.—Claims of serious rebel defeats at Torreón and complete mastery of the situation by federals were made by the Mexican consul general here today in the following statement: The rebels have suffered serious defeats at Torreón. The federal general De Moura with 5,000 fresh soldiers from Saltillo is near Torreón at the rear of the rebels. In recent engagements in Mochelva the rebels had about 1,000 casualties as well as about 100 at Sierra de Artega. The advance guard of the rebels in Tamauilpas has been annihilated.

In Mexican Jail.
FORT WORTH, Texas, April 1.—Mrs. John Carillo, wife of a well known Mexican shoe merchant, in north Fort Worth, has appealed to Mayor Milan for assistance in securing the release of her husband from a Mexican federal prison at Nuevo Laredo. Mrs. Carillo is the daughter of an American ranchman. Carillo went to Nuevo Laredo to sell shoes and was taken by the Huerta troops and not permitted to leave. Mayor Milan has appealed to the state department.

Not All One Sided.
JUAREZ, Mex., April 1.—That the occupation of Torreón by the Mexican constitutionalist troops under General Francisco Villa is being seriously menaced, was the word brought here today in unofficial dispatches from Torreón to General Venustiano Carranza and other chiefs of the revolution. Advancing on the city from the east is a column of federals said to be numerous, but by whom commanded is not known. To intercept and disperse this force, Villa today sent his Morlos brigade, commanded by General Tomas Urbina and General Maclovio Beredias Hstras brigade numbering in all 3,500 men. Urbina set out for San Pedro and Hstras for another point. It is supposed the federal reinforcements are those ordered from Saltillo and Monterey recently by General Huerta under command of General De Moura.

Although General Villa late yesterday afternoon telegraphed rebel officials here that Torreón had fallen and that his troops were in possession of the city, not another word has come from him. Some rebel officers express the opinion that Villa's announcement may have been premature and that the resistance of General Jose Refugio Velasco's federal garrison has not yet been entirely overcome. No one doubts, however, that the constitutionalist control will be complete very soon if it is not complete already. There is a feeling among rebels here that the Torreón battle will constitute the principal fighting of the whole Mexican revolution and when Villa has once swept the country about that city clean of federals, his march to the south will not be seriously opposed until he approaches close to Mexico City itself.

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NO HEART TO CELEBRATE EIGHT HOUR DAY THIS YEAR

Miners of Ohio Who Have Laid Down Their Tools for Many Days.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 1.—The annual holiday of the miners of America in celebration of adoption of the eight hour day was not celebrated with any enthusiasm by miners in Ohio today. Approximately 45,000 of them who laid down their tools late yesterday

will not return to work tomorrow, nor perhaps for many weeks or months and for thousands it means probable destitution, leaders admitted today. With but few exceptions, Ohio's six hundred coal mines are closed indefinitely because of failure of operators and miners to reach a wage scale agreement renewing the two year wage scale expiring today.

About 200 mine owners assembled here today to talk over a test suit in the courts regarding the constitutionality of the Green mine screen law, effective May 20, which the operators declare discriminates against Ohio mines and made impossible a renewal of the wage agreement.

BATTLE ROYAL IF MEN ATTEMPT TO OUST WOMAN

Chairman of State Democratic Committee Defies Men to Bounce Her.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]
DENVER, Colo., April 1.—The mere men who are trying to oust Mrs. Gertrude Lee from the chairmanship of the Colorado state democratic committee are in for a battle royal. Mrs. Lee not only defied them today but issued a sharp warning that the women voters of the state intend

to put so many women into the state committee next year that a woman can be elected chairman without asking the consent of the men. Mrs. Lee is the first woman elected state chairman by any big party in the country. "If any man in the state central committee, or for that matter, in the democratic party, wants to oust me, he hasn't nerve enough to say so," said Mrs. Lee today. "Only the central committee has power to oust me and even it can do so only after the primary election in June. It could call a special meeting on petition of its members but if the man on it tried to put over something illegal, let me assure you there would be enough women present to thwart their plans."