

DAIL EIREANN ADOPTS PEACE TREATY BY BALLOT OF 64 TO 57; BYRD PREPARES BILL REORGANIZING HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT; POWER-HOUSE WORKERS OF V. R. & P. WILL NOT QUIT THEIR JOBS

PLANS TO ABOLISH EXISTING REGIME BY NEW MEASURE

Would Retire Coleman and Commission From Office at Once.

BODY OF TEN MEMBERS TO TAKE OVER WORK

Each Congressional District To Be Represented in Proposed Organization.

GOVERNOR WOULD APPOINT

Effect Would Be to Permit Incoming Executive Freer Hand in Road Work Control.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WINCHESTER, Va., Jan. 7.—Abolition of the present State Highway Commission of five members and the office of highway commissioner, and in lieu thereof the appointment of a commission of ten members, one from each congressional district, and conducting affairs of the highway department strictly on a business basis, are features of a bill Senator Harry Flood Byrd, of Winchester, will offer in the General Assembly at the opening of its biannual session in Richmond, January 11. He will urge its adoption early in the session.

Good legislation will be among the most important matters before the Legislature, Governor-Elect Trinkle was nominated and elected on a platform in which he declared in favor of reorganizing the State Highway Department and so opposed to a bond issue at this time. Senator Byrd was for ten years president of the old Valley Turnpike Company. He has taken a leading part in framing many of the best road laws in Virginia in recent years, is regarded as one of the best-informed men of the State on road construction and maintenance, and was a staunch supporter of Governor-Elect Trinkle.

Means Complete Reorganization.

The Byrd bill proposes to abolish the office of State Highway Commissioner and State Highway Commission, so as to give Governor Trinkle opportunity to appoint a new commissioner and commission. The Governor, of course, will exercise his own discretion in appointments.

Instead of a body of five, a commission of ten members would be created, one from each congressional district, giving each section representation in allotment of funds for roads. Replying to criticisms, that a body of ten may be costly, Senator Byrd said that his plan contemplated only one or two meetings a month, and allowing \$10 per diem for each day sessions would not exceed \$5,000 or \$7,000 a year. He regarded this inconsequential in comparison with the large amounts of money to be handled.

One Ex-Officio Commissioner.

One of the ten commissioners would act as chairman and perform the duties of State Highway Commissioner. He must, however, be a thoroughly efficient, capable and successful business man. Instead of the present one-man control in awarding contracts amounting to millions of dollars each year, the commission would award contracts. Any member failing to perform his duties properly could be removed from office by the Governor.

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(By Associated Press.) MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 7.—Mrs. J. R. Bryan, 75, said to be the only woman in the country who had two sons to serve in the United States Senate, died here today after a brief illness.

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MEMPHIS, Jan. 7.—Milk will retail in Memphis at 5 cents a pint, a leading milk dealer predicted today when he cut the price to 6 cents a pint.

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Sees League of Nations Becoming a Reality

(Special Cable to Times-Dispatch.) PARIS, Jan. 7.—A luncheon offered him by notable descendants of the French Huguenots at the Interallied Club, Henry Van Dyke replied to a toast of appreciation to the league of nations. He declared that the league was nearer becoming a reality now, with all nations participating than ever before as a result of the Washington conference. "It may not have the same name," he said, "but the name is not important as long as an association of nations for the safeguarding of the peace of the world is well established on a solid basis." Dr. Van Dyke is returning to the United States within a fortnight to resume his chair at Princeton. (Copyright, 1922, Public Ledger Co.)

TRINKLE INDORSES MOVE TO ABOLISH DRY COMMISSIONER

Governor-Elect Would Have Attorney-General Enforce Prohibition.

EFFECTS BIG SAVING OF STATE'S FUNDS

Bill Providing for Merger of Departments Likely to Go Before General Assembly.

Merging of the State Prohibition Department with the office of the Attorney-General is advocated by Governor-Elect E. Lee Trinkle. It was learned yesterday afternoon. The following telegram was received in Richmond from Mr. Trinkle:

"I have always considered that all laws should be enforced through the regularly constituted authorities and, therefore, favor having prohibition and all laws administered through the Attorney-General's office, in conjunction with the aid of local officials. I have reached no conclusion as to the amount necessary to properly meet the added duties of this office."

Would Abolish Dry Officer.

Merging of the State Department of Prohibition with that of the Attorney-General, under direction of the latter, would result in abolition of the office of State prohibition commissioner. It is understood and which now is held by Harry B. Smith, Consolidation of the departments and administration of prohibition enforcement under direct supervision of the last session of the General Assembly, but sufficient pressure was brought to bear to defeat the measure. J. Sidney Peters was prohibition commissioner at that time.

Special appropriation will be necessary if the Attorney-General's office is to assume this additional and rather extensive work. It was said.

FEDERAL DRY DIRECTOR CAREFULLY GUARDED

Chicago Grants Threatening Letters Cause of Excess of Precaution by Police.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Declaring that America was being "slowly but surely weaned" of the liquor habit, Federal Prohibition Director Roy A. Haynes arrived in Chicago today, surrounded by a cordon of Secret Service operatives. He declared his department was "going to kill the evil at the root" and that slowly prohibition was coming into its own.

Five-Year-Old Girl IS BURNED TO DEATH

With Small Brothers, She Was Burning Leaves Near Buckleham Home.

BUCKLEHAM, Va., Jan. 7.—Hilda Waring, five-year-old daughter of Ernest L. Waring, of Gold Hill, Buckingham County, was burned to death while playing with her seven-year-old brothers yesterday.

REACH AGREEMENT ON BONUS MEASURE

Plan Calls for Payment From Receipts From the Allied Debts to the United States.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—A general agreement for the enactment of a bonus bill for former service men in the present session of Congress, it was indicated had been reached at the conclusion of a White House dinner tonight, between President Harding and a number of Senators and Representatives and members of the Cabinet.

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FEE SYSTEM FIGHT LOOMS AS SOLONS FLOCK TO CAPITAL

Battle to Rage Around Commission's Recommendation of Flat Salary.

STATE PARK BODY IS PROVIDED FOR IN BILL

Measure, Designed to Preserve Virginia's Forests, Sponsored by Goelrick.

TO NOMINATE JUDGE THURSDAY

Democrats Will Name Choice for Supreme Court Vacancy That Night.

Separate caucuses of the Senate and the House of Delegates of the Virginia General Assembly will be held on Tuesday night, at which officers for each branch will be nominated, and a joint caucus will be held on Thursday night, January 12, at which nominations will be made for the various circuit judgeships, the terms of which expire before February 1, and to fill the one vacancy on the bench of the Supreme Court of Appeals, created by the death of Judge E. W. Saunders.

Lieutenant-Governor B. F. Buchanan, president of the Senate, automatically holds office until he goes out of office on February 1, and the only office to be filled in the Senate is that of sergeant-at-arms, the nominee for which will be former Senator A. C. Harmon, of Richmond. D. M. Patton, of Madison, will again be the doorkeeper.

Higher Rate Scale STIRS STATE BODY

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Vigorous protest against the proposed increase in freight rates between Virginia and North and South Carolina points was filed yesterday by the State Corporation Commission by the Interstate Commerce Commission. It is extremely unusual for the State Corporation Commission, in itself, a judicial body, to take such action, but an exception is made in this instance because, as explained in the protest, the proposed rates are "prima facie discriminatory against the commerce of this State."

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DISAGREE ON MEN'S ATTITUDE

Company Says They Are Ready to Work; Union Leaders Say Not.

All employees of the Virginia Railway and Power Company in Norfolk and Portsmouth will quit their jobs on January 16, unless the company's reduced wage scale is not lowered, the Norfolk and Portsmouth men decided last night. The men decided also, Mr. Wilcox said, that there should be no interference with the light and commercial power business of the company. It was said at the meeting, according to Mr. Wilcox, that there is a number of men among the business men, including the Norfolk and Portsmouth men, and members of the Chamber of Commerce, to form a citizens' committee to protest to the traction company against crippling the city by putting the proposed wage schedule in effect.

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Mrs. Roosevelt Sails on 22,000-Mile Trip

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PACT PROPONENTS WIN BY NARROW MARGIN IN VOTING

Decision Is Reached After Day of Heated Discussion.

DE VALERA FORMALLY RESIGNS PRESIDENCY

Calls Meeting of His Followers for Today at Mansion House.

SAYS REPUBLIC MUST GO ON

Ireland Happy, However, Over Ratification of Document Forming Free State.

DAIL OPPONENTS OF TREATY SCORE IRISH DELEGATES

Griffith and Collins, Big Factors in Negotiations, Bitterly Assailed.

MINISTER OF DEFENSE LEADS FIGHT ON PACT

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(By Associated Press.) DUBLIN, Jan. 7.—The treaty creating the Irish free state was ratified tonight by the Dail Eireann. By a majority of seven votes—64 to 57—the Dail gave its approval to the document signed by its delegates at London.

Coincidentally, Eamonn de Valera announced his resignation from the presidency of the Irish republic.

The news was received with the greatest enthusiasm, and the patient crowds which had waited for hours outside the university building in anticipation of a decision burst into cheering, even before the official figures were announced.

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(By Associated Press.) DUBLIN, Jan. 7.—Charles Burgess, minister of defense, after denouncing the Irish treaty in the Dail made a speech in which he was known as head of the Republican army.

He had been asked regarding the position of Collins in the active part, and whether he ever took an active part or fired a shot at the enemy. He approached this reluctantly, but Mr. Griffith had referred to Collins as "the man who won the war."

"Mr. Collins arose and said he thought they were discussing the treaty, not personalities. Deputy Brennan remarked that if things were said about Collins by the minister of defense, there would be a lot to say about other people."

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Collins Boosted by Publicity. Burgess, resuming, declared that Michael Collins was merely a subordinate in the chief of staff's office, and that the staff with one exception, did its work without publicity, by Mr. Collins had been taken up by the press correspondents.

Burgess proceeded to defend Erskine Childers against attacks. He said Childers had done as much as any man, and more than most men, to arm the Irish people.

Some thought the treaty would enable them to get arms. J. J. Walsh, he added, had in a speech in jail declared that he would be willing to get arms thereby. What, then, became of the pretense that the treaty would bring peace?

As to the oath which, it was alleged, Mr. de Valera was willing to take, it had been submitted to the Cabinet, but there was no agreement and it was dropped. The president had simply said that if he were to stand in the way of a settlement he would be in favor of taking a certain oath.

It had been declared in the Dail (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4.)

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) DANVILLE, Va., Jan. 7.—Lester Stone, alleged bootlegger, was instantly killed between here and Reidsville, N. C., tonight, when the car in which was eighteen gallons of liquor turned over on the roadside. The body of Stone, who was in a car with two other men, whose identity is not known, was found in a ditch with a sharp exchange of pistol fire between the officers and Stone.

Stone tried to pass another car while running at a fast clip. His car turned over and Stone was crushed to death beneath it. Officers found the two rear tires of Stone's car punctured by bullets. They also found the broken liquor containers. Stone is said to have lived near Stonefield.

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(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The three Chinese arms conference delegations, after a meeting with Secretary Hughes with respect to the deadlocked Shantung conversations late today, said their meeting with the American delegation chief had been "satisfactory and reassuring" and that "the good offices of Mr. Hughes were continuing."

Further than this they would not comment as they hurried to a conference with Arthur J. Balfour, British delegation head.

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