

HOUSE CAUCUS DEFEATS RAID

Effort to Instruct Committee to appropriate for Public Buildings Fails.

VOTED DOWN, 68 TO 64

Majority of Four Registered Against Program of the "Pork Barrel" Advocates.

At a spirited party caucus the House Democrats yesterday voted down, 68 to 64, a motion to instruct the Appropriations Committee to include more than \$1,000,000 for public buildings contract work in the general deficiency bill which is now being prepared.

The defeat of the "pork barrel" contingent, however, was partially nullified by a point of no return. After more wrangling a compromise was agreed upon between the members of the Appropriations and Public Buildings Committees, Chairman Fitzgerald, of the Appropriations Committee, promised to give "careful consideration" in the general deficiency bill to estimates for public buildings work, and will not attempt to shift off amendments to the bill on the floor.

Members Are Indignant.

If the "pork barrel" contingent can force an adoption of amendments they will have accomplished their purpose. During the debate members of the Appropriations Committee expressed indignation that a caucus had been called "to instruct" them in the preparation of an appropriation bill. The amount wanted by the "pork barrel" committee is for "increased limit of cost" on various public buildings now under construction. The sum of \$12,500,000 also is asked for additional draftsmen and clerks in the office of the supervising architect.

Representative Cullum, an Indiana Democrat, took a potshot at the administration in the caucus. It was remarked that the supervising architect is a Republican, and Mr. Cullum, said emphatically, said it was time the administration was turning out some of these Republicans and putting Democrats on guard.

The Democratic caucus authorized the House Committee to report pressing bills and place them on the calendar, lifting the ban that nothing except currency, tariff and appropriations should be considered at the extra session.

The Public Buildings Committee was permitted to report to Hatch-Hetchy valley bill and the Foreign Affairs Committee was authorized to bring to two bills in which the Department of State is interested. One of these provides for the establishment of an embassy instead of the legation at the capital of Spain. The other provides that there shall be a diplomatic representative of this country in Paraguay. Under the present arrangement the minister to Paraguay and Uruguay is the same.

The Hatch-Hetchy bill seeks to relieve the scarcity of water in San Francisco by permitting the transportation of water through the Hetch-Hetchy Valley to the California city. The question of reservation of the public domain was involved but the Public Land Committee has determined upon a favorable report, and the caucus action today probably will relieve the scarcity of San Francisco water supply.

been produced showing the tremendous scope of Tolman's operations," said Prosecutor Devin, "if his trial had not been halted by his changing residence from New York to New York, which is practically an admission of guilt with the contention that the defendant did not know that he was breaking the law. I have had anonymous letters from all parts of the country, evidently written by victims of the Tolman system, urging me to press the prosecution strenuously in the hope that he will get the maximum sentence, which is three years in prison and a fine of \$500."

DAVIS FUNERAL TODAY.

Former Assistant Postmaster to Live in Congressional Cemetery.

Funeral services for Madison Davis, former Assistant Postmaster of the city, who died at his home, 215 A Street Southeast, Wednesday night, will be held at his home at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. The Rev. C. A. Thomas will officiate. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Mr. Davis, who was seventy-five years old, resigned his position as superintendent of postal station B, at Fourth and Pennsylvania streets, last April, because of failing health. He is a veteran of the civil war. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Virginia M. Davis and a daughter, Mrs. Charles Sherman Hillier.

PRESIDENT SAID TO STAND FIRM

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thought likely, therefore, that the details of the President's views will be delayed for at least a week.

No Recognition of Huerta.

The character of the plan the President is considering was disclosed yesterday sufficiently to warrant the statement that there is in it not the slightest suggestion of conditional recognition of Huerta, such as is proposed by Ambassador Wilson. On the contrary, it is predicated on the elimination of Gen. Huerta from the provisional presidency of Mexico. It is understood that it has to do with a movement toward consolidation and mediation, though what form this step, if finally adopted, is to take has not yet been indicated by officials of the administration.

Statements were made by persons high in administrative circles yesterday indicating that the President does not attach much importance to the representations about conditions in Mexico by European governments. It was sought to convey the impression that really no representations had been made, but instead there had been merely the transmission of the views of the diplomatic corps in Mexico City on the attitude of the United States toward the situation.

The statements regarding the failure of Ambassador Wilson to make the slightest impression upon the President's preconceived views with regard to Mexico caused no small degree of astonishment last night. It was regarded as most extraordinary, in view of the distinctly favorable impression the Ambassador had made in his four-hour talk with the Senate Committee. Even members who had been strongly prejudiced against him said they believed Henry Lane Wilson had the right ideas about conditions and policies in Mexico. There was even a disposition to criticize the administration for not having previously furnished the committee with the information given by the Ambassador, most of which, it was learned yesterday, was taken from documentary evidence long in the possession of the State Department.

Direct Issue Raised.

The announcement concerning the President and the Ambassador is regarded as having raised a direct issue between the Senate Committee and the White House. Whether members of the committee will care to discuss this phase of the situation with the President, and the attitude toward Ambassador Wilson's views is known, was not indicated. It is believed, though, that there is likely to develop a lack of harmony between the views of the Senate Committee and those of the administration, with regard to Mexico.

Senator Pittman of Nevada yesterday came forward with a proposal of procedure in the case of the resignation of John B. Moore, or some other high official of the State Department, he sent to Mexico to suggest to President Huerta that he invite the aid of the United States in restoring order in Mexico.

"I believe that American troops should be sent into Northern Mexico to bring order out of chaos. I believe also that it would be better for this country to act rather than to wait until it must act or allow foreign nations to intervene in Mexico. I believe that a majority of the Western Senators hold the same opinion as I."

Attack on Moore's Expedient.

A strengthening of the Federal position in Mexico was indicated in dispatches to the State Department. Nuevo Laredo has been made the headquarters of the military division of the North, in command of Gen. Teller. It was also reported that the Carranzistas are reported to make an attack upon Monclova, the city from which they were recently driven by Huerta's troops. Lawlessness in San Luis Potosi, is increasing, it is reported. The Carranzistas and other elements will have to organize a vigilante committee in order to protect themselves and their property from raids by bandits.

Ambassador Wilson left Washington last night for New York, where he will spend a few days in business. He will remain in close touch with Washington, in case his presence here should be desired. It is possible that he may appear before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

THORNTON BOLTS PARTY MEASURE

Louisiana Senator Is Against Free Sugar Provision in Simmons Bill.

QUOTES PARTY PLATFORM

Senator Gronna of North Dakota Predicts Republicans Again Will Triumph.

The feature of the tariff situation in the Senate yesterday was the announcement by Senator Thornton of Louisiana at the conclusion of a long speech attacking free sugar, that he would not support the Underwood-Simmons tariff bill in the form in which it came from the Finance Committee.

The day in the Senate, set apart for the tariff bill, was devoted entirely to speechmaking. No progress was made in the consideration of the paragraphs of the bill. The Senate still hangs upon the paragraphs in the schedules relating to earths and earthenware, and this probably will take the remainder of the present week.

Gronna Makes Speech.

Senator Gronna of North Dakota, a Progressive Republican, also addressed the Senate in opposition to the bill. He attacked it as a discrimination against the farmers of the Northwest, and indicated that the farmers along the Canadian border of the Northwest, who supported Senator Wilson in the last campaign, would take the first opportunity to rebuke the Democrats for the tariff bill.

"I want to say right now that I believe the people will not again be deceived by the present and false promises, nor by your pretended indifference to party solidarity," said Senator Gronna. "The Republican party, which at the last election was humiliated by the American people, will again be triumphant and reunited upon patriotic, progressive principles as laid down by Abraham Lincoln."

Senator Thornton informed the Senate that he held his first duty was to the people of his State.

"I owe to these people of my State a far higher measure of devotion than I owe to the Democratic party," said the Senator.

The Senator from Louisiana stated that in his letter of acceptance and in speeches he had promised the people of his State that he would not support any measure looking to free sugar.

Free Sugar Objectionable.

"I cannot vote for the passage of the present bill which carries the free sugar provision without personal dishonor and the attendant loss of my own self respect, as well as the respect of the people of my State and of my fellow Senators," said Senator Thornton.

"I repeat that the Democratic platform adopted at Baltimore never demanded exemption or inferentially the total abolition of the duty on sugar," said Senator Thornton, who said that Senators Kern, O'Gorman, Walsh, Martin, Fomenko, and Clarke, all of whom were members of the platform committee at Baltimore, had the right ideas about the platform had been departed from.

The Senator quoted from a speech of Senator Sharp Williams, in which that Senator admitted that free sugar was diametrically every sugar house in Louisiana.

Democratic leaders were somewhat restless yesterday over the continued delay in expediting the sugar measure, but a vote can be had in the Senate by August 1. Most of the Democrats will be satisfied if they can get a vote by September 1.

It was said positively on the part of administration leaders in the Senate that no agreement would be entered into with the Republicans in the interest of expediting the bill, and that the postponing currency legislation until the next session. A number of speeches are scheduled for today and tomorrow on the Republican side.

"SILVER BILL" RILEY DEAD

"Squarrel Sporting Man" Succumbs In Chicago Hospital.

Chicago, July 31.—Col. "Silver Bill" Riley, known to gamblers of the United States as the "squarrel sporting man" of all the race tracks and pool rooms, died today at the Lakeside Hospital. He was rated as a millionaire when he quit gambling activities in 1908. He was almost penniless when he died. New York gave a large sum of money. He settled \$100,000 on his wife in New York when they separated several years ago.

"Silver Bill" never allowed a minor in his pool room, according to the gamblers who remember his strict moral code. He prohibited the smoking of cigarettes, card playing, and faro in his place, but any kind of a bet on national elections, horse racing or any athletic event was "covered."

More than \$200,000 was bet with "Silver Bill" on the Blaine-Cleveland election. "Silver Bill" became sick and went home early one night. The report was circulated that he had slipped with the money. The gamblers laughed and refused to start a "run" on the pool room.

Col. Riley was born in Brooklyn. He was sixty-three years old. He was a member of R. P. O. Elks Lodge, No. 1, in New York. He had several offices in the Knights of Pythias Lodge.

NATIONAL BANKS TO GET MILLIONS

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Secretary McAdoo is relying on this section is indicated by the statement which he issued back in April, when he announced that he would accept State and municipal bonds as part security for government deposits. At that time he announced that he would require national banks to put up 20 per cent of the security for United States bonds and that the making 20 per cent in United States bonds or State or municipal securities.

Secretary McAdoo obviously is applying to the present situation one of the fundamental principles of the proposed new currency law, which contemplates the use of first-class commercial paper as the basis for circulation.

There are \$100,000,000 of these 2 per cent bonds still available to be deposited for national bank circulation. It was pointed out that banks which want to avail themselves of the new government deposits must put up 20 per cent of the value of their authorized circulation, will therefore be obliged to avail themselves of this use for the 2 per cent bonds, in order to qualify.

Crop Moving Stringency.

Mr. McAdoo, when questioned in regard to his announcement, denied it was designed to meet any immediate emergency. It has been obvious all along that the Wilson administration intended to take every step possible against any embarrasments that might grow out of a financial stringency during the coming moving period. Mr. McAdoo already has announced that he would, if necessary, avail himself of his right to issue \$100,000,000 of currency under the Aldrich-Vreeland act.

Secretary McAdoo's charge that American bankers have conspired to defeat the standardization banking and currency bill by depressing the price of government 2 per cent bonds, will be made the subject of an inquiry by a House committee if the House passes a resolution that will be offered tomorrow by Representative Neely of Kansas.

The Money Trust committee that operated in the last Congress, and believes it to be the duty of Congress to pass the strict regulation measure governing national banks, is recommended in the report of that committee to the House.

The Neely resolution, which will be referred to the Committee on Rules of the House, is an amendment to the bill, the radical leader, is chairman, directs the Banking and Currency Committee shall make a thorough inquiry to determine the facts. Mr. Neely is in sympathy with the measure, and will make every effort to have it reported. Mr. Neely will ask the Rules Committee to give him a hearing on the resolution.

Amendment May Go Out.

There was another interesting development in committee yesterday. A section was made to the final adoption of an amendment temporarily suspending last week prohibiting interlocking directorates in the new banking system. This amendment, offered by Representative Wingo of Arkansas, was adopted last night by a vote of 2 to 1, Chairman Glass dissenting.

Yesterday when the time came to incorporate the amendment in the bill a point of order was made against it. The committee is meeting in a secret session it could not be learned upon what ground the objection was raised or who made the point of order. The committee is adjourned at this point.

The committee resumed its session today Chairman Glass will rule on the point of order. He will look up the precedents and confer with parliamentary experts in reaching a conclusion. If the amendment is defeated in committee it is the purpose of Mr. Wingo and some of his associates to appeal to the caucus.

The committee is making rapid progress, and doubtless will conclude its sessions in a day or so. Then the administration forces and the opposition will make preparations for the presentation of the respective sides of the case of the caucus. It is known, of course, that a majority of the committee Democrats favor the administration bill. The minority will not exceed five, and there is a probability that only four will oppose the measure in caucus.

Representative Eagle of Texas, a member of the committee, issued a statement in which he criticized the administration bill. He said he could not give the measure his support. Mr. Eagle declared the bill to be fundamentally bad.

Tillman Issues Statement.

Senator Tillman of South Carolina last night gave out the following statement: "I sincerely hope that the Banking and Currency Committee of the House of Representatives can work out some practical scheme that will insure the confidence of the business people of the country for lending money to banks at 2 per cent on satisfactory collateral."

Mr. McAdoo's well-informed as to the business conditions in the United States, and I am willing to leave it to his good judgment as to what collateral should be required. Right now, there is an emergency, and unless Congress acts promptly within the next sixty days, the Southern cotton planters will be robbed of a hundred million dollars or more by the fall in price of their principal crop. It is the liability on the part of Southern banks to get money from New York at any price or on any collateral. The New Yorkers have our people by the throat, and unless Congress acts in these years since the war, and only Congress can give relief.

"A joint resolution could be rushed through both Houses of Congress, if the House agrees, that will insure the relief. This resolution would be only intended to give temporary relief until the Committee on Banking and Currency gets through squabbling. If it can ever be passed, Congress gives us a permanent system."

SECRETARY HOUSTON DISMISSES OFFICIALS

Three Employees of Weather Bureau Charged with Misuse of Time and Money.

TRANSFERS ALSO ANNOUNCED

Bureau chiefs and clerks in the Department of Agriculture and its branch, the Weather Bureau, are to be dismissed or transferred, it was announced yesterday by the Secretary of Agriculture.

The dismissals of three officials of the Weather Bureau are echoes of the charges of misuse of government time and money for the promotion of the candidacy of Willis L. Moore, former chief of the bureau, which caused the summary removal from office of Mr. Moore.

An investigation of the Bureau of Statistics by a committee caused the transfer of several officials for "disciplinary reasons."

David J. Carroll, chief clerk and executive assistant; Henry L. Helskoff, professor of meteorology, and Roswite E. Pollock, section director at Trenton, N. J., were the Weather Bureau employees whose dismissals were announced.

Secretary Houston, in his statement, said that these men had failed to respond to charges of the misuse of government time and funds in furthering the candidacy of Secretary of Agriculture. He said further:

"The evidence showed such callous disregard of the duty which these men owed the United States as to make their continuance in the service undesirable."

Unsatisfactory conditions were found in the Bureau of Statistics, according to the statement of the Secretary of Agriculture. The employees affected and the disposal of their cases are:

Victor H. Olmstead, chief of the Bureau of Statistics, will be transferred; H. G. Graham, furloined and will be transferred; and J. G. Pepper, furloined pending answer of charges against him.

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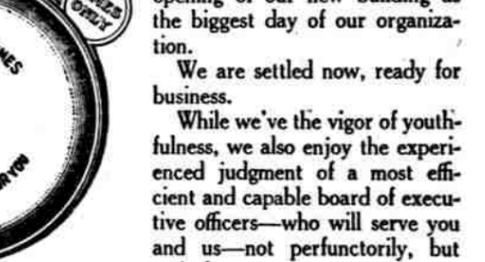
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CHINESE SITUATION IMPROVED

Rebellion in New Republic Seems on Verge of Collapse.

The rebellion in China nearly is ended, according to State Department advice yesterday. The return of the city of Nankin, the provisional capital of the revolutionists, and the cities of Soochow, Chinkiang, and others to the support of the Pekin government has brought much reassurance to the government.

Gen. Huang Heing, one of the leaders of the rebellion, is reported to have fled from Nankin.

A body of revolutionary troops north of the Yangtze River are reported to have resumed their allegiance to President Yuan Shi Kai. On the other hand, Hunan province and the city of Amoy are said to have joined the rebellion.

TOLMAN USED WOMEN TO TRAIN "SHYLOCKS"

Trenton Prosecutor Finds "King of Loan Sharks" Conducted School of Usury.

Trenton, N. J., July 31.—Prosecutor Martin Devlin, who gathered all the evidence against Daniel H. Tolman, the "loan shark king," is awaiting sentence tomorrow for charging usurious interest, sometimes as high as 75 per cent, said today that the expose of the Tolman system was the most startling in this section of the country in many years.

Mr. Devlin and his assistants, after the raid on the Tolman establishment here, worked earnestly to uncover the extent of his operations in other cities and found that he has eighty-two establishments scattered throughout the country and that he has been conducting a "school" in connection with the establishment of these agencies.

"Tolman's system," said Mr. Devlin, "was a school of instruction in swindling." The prosecutor said Tolman employed a magazine instructor, a woman who went about the country establishing these agencies and teaching girl clerks the system in running them.

"A great deal of evidence would have

OPENING OF NEW BANK AT NINTH AND G STS.

Security Savings and Commercial Enters Its New and Permanent Quarters.

From 9 o'clock yesterday morning until 9 o'clock last night the officers and clerks of the Security Savings and Commercial Bank were busy receiving the greetings and good wishes of their friends at the new bank building at the northeast corner of Ninth and G Streets northwest. It was the first day's business in the new building, which is a resplendent structure, and the property of the bank were moved in after bank hours yesterday and last night, and the room with a great array of flowers sent in by friends, presented a very fine appearance.

The furnishing of the bank's interior in English and not Roman, and in this particular is entirely correct. The new building is a most attractive structure, and the whole a pleasing departure from what has been considered the conventional pattern, and the place was much admired by those who called yesterday and last night to look in upon President Peiser and his fellow financiers, who are in control of the institution.

Officers of the bank are: Julius I. Peiser, president; George R. Linkins, vice president; Fred McKee, second vice president; John H. Balz, cashier; William H. Baum, assistant cashier, and Charles W. Barr, general counsel.

The board of directors is composed of: John H. Carter, Charles W. Barr, Louis A. Deval, H. A. Edwards, J. Tillman Hendrick, George H. Judd, Julius I. Peiser, A. D. Prince, George R. Linkins, Charles J. Landmead, William H. Linkins, Fred McKee, and Twainley A. McKee.

Southern Changes Schedule.

The Southern Railway may now take passengers from its Harrisonburg branch destined for Lynchburg, Va., and points South into Washington, D. C., where they are permitted to transfer to through trains. Through trains do not stop at Manassas, the junction point of the Harrisonburg branch with the main line. This permission was granted recently by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Charlotte, N. C., is equipping its fire department with auto apparatus.

55 ON "NO DRINK" LIST

Chester Saloons Bar Those Who Just Can't Stay Sober.

Chester, Pa., July 31.—Leading citizens of this city are lauding the blacklisting of habitual drunkards, which prevents them purchasing intoxicants in saloons, as a far-reaching temperance victory. The list contains, according to the police, the names of eighty-five persons who have made no effort to free themselves of the drink habit.

Temperance workers throughout this city regarded the action of the liquor dealers, in co-operating with Mayor Ward and Chief of Police Vance, as a start of a great awakening, which will eliminate vice drinking.

There are men of prominence, and men literally of the gutter, on the list. And there also is a woman of culture, mother of two daughters, who were graduated last spring from a fashionable school.

Noted Seismologist Dies.

Ile of Wight, July 31.—Prof. John Milne, the famous seismologist, whose delicate instruments, in the Ile of Wight, recorded the great earthquake shock in San Francisco, died today.

For years the professor was the greatest earthquake authority in the world. He devoted his life to the study of seismic disturbances. He set on foot a plan to establish earthquake stations all over the world.

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- \$425 Ivers & Pond Upright..... \$300 Nearly new.
- \$425 Ivers & Pond Upright..... \$250 Returned from rent.
- \$400 Fischer Upright..... \$150 Returned from rent.
- \$425 Fischer Upright..... \$175 Returned from rent.
- \$425 Fischer Upright..... \$200 Nearly new.
- \$375 Stuyvesant Upright..... \$200 Nearly new.
- \$325 Franklin Upright..... \$175 Returned from rent.
- \$325 Marshall and Wendall..... \$150 In trade.
- \$425 Estey Upright..... \$100 Excellent condition.
- \$300 Arion Upright..... \$90 Splendid bargain.
- Several Baby Grands from rent, at \$250, \$325, \$450, and \$500.
- \$700 Cecilian Player-Piano, with 50 rolls music..... \$275
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