

HIGH CONFIDENCE IN GOOD ROAD BILL

Twenty-five Million Dollar "Pork" Measure Is Reported to House.

WILSON DECLARES WAR

Refuses to Sanction Shackelford's Raid on Treasury and Civil Service Attacks.

By JOSEPH F. ANNIN.
Representative Shackelford, of Missouri, chairman of the House Roads Committee, and author of the \$25,000,000 roads bill which it is proposed to railroad through the House as an amendment to the post-office appropriation bill, yesterday submitted a committee report on his own bill. Conspicuously and carefully placed in the report is a tabulation showing just what each State would receive in good roads "pork" in the event of the enactment of the Shackelford bill. Pennsylvania would receive of the \$25,000,000 annually authorized, \$1,525,750. New York would receive more than any other State, her apportionment totaling \$1,745,350.

Under the Shackelford bill each State would receive a proportionate share of the \$25,000,000, based one-half upon the ratio of the population of the State to the combined population of all the States, and one-half ratio of the post roads mileage of the State to the combined post roads mileage of all the States. This money is to be expended on a plan devised by a representative of the State and the Secretary of Agriculture, or at a fixed rate per mile of classified roads.

With a combination of patronage spoilsman and good roads advocate forging steadily ahead toward a meeting of issues, President Wilson made it plain yesterday that he strongly disapproves not only of the civil service attack in the Moon postoffice bill, but that he considers the proposition to sanction the raid on a good roads policy involving an annual expenditure of \$25,000,000 upon an annual consideration and without scientific investigation of any sort, extremely unwise and not to be sanctioned as far as he, personally, is concerned.

Points to Sharp Fight.
Everything yesterday pointed to an extremely interesting contest between the House and the President. It seems probable that the weight of administration influence in the House will be determined by the first roll call vote on the legislative riders to the Moon bill.

The President indicated yesterday that he would lock horns in dead earnest with the reactionary elements in his own party rather than with which at the anti-Wilson content of the Democrats every possible aid in the coming fight, recognizing the campaign material which they would harvest should the Democrats succeed in taking from the Treasury \$25,000,000 a year on a half-considered good roads policy, at the same time ripping a hole in the civil service wall which the Republicans and Progressive Democrats have supported. On anything except a record vote, several Republicans are planning openly to support the Moon bill, and it is possible that speeches seeking to broaden the breach between the spots Democrats and the President will take up most of the time of the Republican leaders when the rule is up for debate.

Final Action Next Week.
The Rules Committee probably will not take final action on the Moon rule until next week. In the meanwhile a strenuous effort is under way to bring the committee into line with the good roads feature and amend the civil service rider so as to require that in the future all candidates for assistant postmaster positions must undergo civil service examinations.

"Santa Claus Girl" in New Work WANTS U. S. TO CARRY GIFTS FREE To Enlist Legislators in Cause

Miss Olive May Wilson Has Received Much Commendation on Work Done for Children on Christmas.

Miss Olive May Wilson, "the Santa Claus girl," of Philadelphia, whose work in distributing toys Christmas brought joy to the hearts of thousands of destitute children, is in Washington to urge the passage by Congress of a bill allowing the franking privilege of the mails for the distribution of such gifts. This is a pretty big job for a girl of seventeen, but the wonderful success that attended her work Christmas has demonstrated her ability to overcome obstacles.

Through her own efforts, Miss Wilson collected enough money and toys from the merchants of Philadelphia to make over 5,000 packages. These she wrapped, addressed, and mailed to as many poor children who otherwise would have passed a dreary Christmas. The worthiness of each of the cases had been investigated and vouched for by skilled social workers. The toys were purchased at actual cost through the courtesy of the manufacturers.

Miss Wilson intends to get an early start this morning and spend the day in an effort to interest members of Congress and the Cabinet in the proposed bill. Many of the prominent clergy of all denominations, Catholics, Protestants, and Jews, have endorsed the project. Prominent among these is Right Rev. Thomas J. Garland, bishop suffragan of Pennsylvania. Approval has also been given by many business men. Miss Wilson received the following letter from Gov. Tener of Pennsylvania:

"Dear Miss Wilson: I received your letter explaining the work in which you are interested, namely, the distribution of toys to the poor children of this State at Christmas time. This charity is to be greatly commended, and I am sure that through your efforts the hearts of many of the little ones will be gladdened.

"In your work I wish you every success and know you will receive words of gratification from every little child whom you may benefit. Respectfully, yours, JOHN K. TENER, Governor."

Some of the letters Miss Wilson received from the little ones were touching in the extreme written in childish phraseology, expressive of the joy at receiving their first Christmas present, possibly the first toys that some had ever seen outside of the shop windows. Some were written on wrapping paper, rag, paper bags and other such nondescript stationery as would serve the purpose of correspondence.

One of the most encouraging letters that Miss Wilson received in this connection was one from Vice President Marshall, which said in part: "I welcome with great pleasure, therefore, your proposed distribution of Christmas gifts to all the needy and unfortunate children. Such service will not only bless him who takes, but also him who gives. I hope the Congress of the United States may make it possible to distribute such gifts without payment of postage. Faithfully, yours, THOMAS R. MARSHALL, Vice President."

bill; Senator Martin, legislative, executive and judicial bill; Senator Overman, diplomatic and consular bill; Senator Bryan, fortifications; Senator Tillman, permanent appropriations; Senator Martin, deficiencies.

Senator Kern, chairman of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported to the Senate the action of the committee, recommending the acceptance of the credentials of Blair Lee, Senator-elect from Maryland.

The railroads of the country will be compelled to install standard scales for the weighing of freight shipments under the terms of a bill introduced in the House by Representative Willis, of Ohio.

A resolution calling for a complete reorganization of the Indian Bureau and a report of the investigation of Indian affairs made under the patronage of Hodman Wainwright was introduced in the Senate by Senator Penrose.

The House passed the Adamson bill, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury and the chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission to formulate regulations for the sanitary conditions of common carriers. Inspection is to be maintained by the Public Health Service and prosecutions brought by the Solicitor of the Treasury Department.

Senator Benjamin Tillman, of South Carolina, is recovering from an attack of dysentery. He expects to return to the Senate the latter part of the week.

PROVISION FOR ALASKAN ROAD.
Committee on Territories Adopts Amendment to Railway Bill.

Amendments to the Alaska railroad bill providing for the condemnation and purchase by the government of any railroad now in Alaska which may form part of the proposed right of way of the government from Sitka to the interior were adopted by the Committee on Territories yesterday afternoon.

In the event that any such private line cannot be acquired, another route will be selected by the government so that it will not be dependent upon any private company for part of its line. Restrictions were also adopted limiting the total use of money by the President to the bond issue provided, \$40,000,000, and limiting the length of the railroads to be constructed to 1,000 miles. Power was proposed for the President in another amendment to lease the railroad for a term not exceeding twenty years.

URGING HAGUE CONFERENCE.
United States Aiding in Movement, Says Secretary Bryan.

"The United States intends to do everything possible to insure the holding of The Hague peace conference in 1914." This statement was issued by Secretary of State Bryan yesterday, following a conference with Senator Elihu Root, of New York.

MAJ. GEN. CARTER IN CHARGE.
Ordered to Take Command of Central Department of Army.

Maj. Gen. William H. Carter yesterday was ordered to take command of the central department of the army with headquarters at Chicago.

He was relieved from command of the Second army division on the Texas border as a step toward taking charge of the Hawaiian department of the army in March.

Mrs. Stubbs to Address Solons.
Mrs. Jessie Hardy Stubbs and Representative Edward Keating, of Colorado, will speak before the members of the Maryland legislature at a meeting to be held tonight in the hall of the house of delegates in Annapolis. Permission for the use of the hall was granted by a special act of the legislature.

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"IDEA OF SECESSION NOT IN SOUTH TODAY"

Speakers at Lee and Jackson Birthday Celebrations Tell of "New South."

MANY GET CROSSES OF HONOR

"If 'Stonewall' Jackson and Robert E. Lee were to come back to this country today they would not find the idea of secession in the hearts of any Southerners," declared Senator Morris Sheppard, of Texas, the principal speaker at the services held in celebration of the birthdays of the two Southern generals, at Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church last night under the auspices of the Confederate Veterans' Association and the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Mr. Sheppard spoke of the loyalty to the Federal government that is one of the marks of a civilized people. In the course of his address he made a list of names of the South during the war, and the devotion of the men who fought against overwhelming odds.

Rev. W. T. Thompson opened the service with prayer, followed by an introduction by Capt. Fred Beal, commander Camp 171, U. C. V. A solo, "The Little Bronze Cross" was sung by Dr. Clifton Clark, and Miss Ruth Bowie sang "Lorena." Benediction was said by Rev. E. K. Hardin. Those occupying seats on the platform were F. M. Cockerill, former Senator from Missouri; Charles F. Adams, the historian of Massachusetts; William Richardson, H. A. Herbert, Rev. E. K. Hardin, and Senator Sheppard.

The awarding of the Cross of Honor to veterans and the descendants of veterans was made by Miss Ruth Bowie and Miss Emily A. Thompson. The veterans receiving the bronze crosses were R. J. Dawson, Company E, First Virginia Infantry; David Smith Walton, Company A, Sixteenth South Carolina Infantry; Charles Washington Wheeler, Company A, First Maryland Regiment. The descendants receiving crosses were Robert E. Beale, son of James S. Beale, First Maryland; Miss Ruth Bowie, Stillwell, daughter of Joseph W. Stillwell, escort of Gen. N. B. Forrest; Byron Thomas, son of Robert F. Thomas, Companies G and B, Virginia Cavalry; Mrs. Francis Hoffman, daughter of Mark Jackson, Westmoreland acting chaplain, Seventh Alabama Regiment.

INCINERATION PLANT URGED.

Georgetown Citizens Want Policemen to Ride on Cars Free.

A resolution urging that Congress establish a plant for the purpose of receiving all ashes, garbage, and other waste matter in the District was passed at a meeting of the Georgetown Citizens' Association held last night in the Potomac Savings Bank Hall. Resolutions suggesting that more waste boxes be provided in the city, and urging that Congress provide free street car transportation for the policemen and firemen were passed.

It also was decided to inaugurate a campaign for cleaner streets and alleys in Georgetown. Plans for the campaign are to be made by the following committee which will report at the next meeting of the association: Dr. Howard E. Ames, Charles G. Farden, J. Hadley Doyle, and Dr. George W. Wood. Frank P. Leitch presided at the meeting.

AIDED IN MOTHER'S MURDER.

Girl Said to Have Confessed, Implicating Stepfather.

Galesburg, Ill., Jan. 18.—Robert Higgins was arrested at the village of Rio, near here, today, intensifying the sensation caused yesterday when Higgins' step-daughter, Julia Fluke, fifteen years old, told a startling story of the death of her mother, Mrs. Robert Fluke Higgins, January 5.

A coroner's jury held that Mrs. Higgins came to her death through the accidental discharge of a shotgun which Higgins was cleaning. The statement of the girl, who also is in custody, was made to A. J. Boutelle and John M. Wilson, State attorneys of Knox and Mercer Counties, respectively.

These officials said the girl's story implicated herself and a male relative in a conspiracy to kill Mrs. Higgins. Two letters said to have been written by her to this relative before the death of Mrs. Higgins were said to figure in the case.

Other assertions by Miss Fluke were so sensational that the State's attorneys said they accepted them with caution.

PRESIDENT TAKES OPTIMISTIC VIEW

Expresses to Callers Confidence in Prosperity for Country This Year.

FAVORS ROAD'S REQUEST

Mr. Wilson Looks on Petition for Increase in Freight Rates as Just.

President Wilson is in an optimistic frame of mind about business conditions. He sees no sign of trouble on the business horizon and took occasion to express his views in this regard to callers at the White House yesterday. It may be stated upon authority that the President has received reports from what he regards as authoritative sources to the effect that a feeling of confidence in the future pervades the business world.

The President appears to be convinced that business men of the country do not look for an upturn in commercial and industrial conditions following legislation already passed by the Democrats or legislation to be passed at the current session of Congress.

The President told callers yesterday that the reports which he had received in this connection were in sufficient number and from sources so widely separated as to leave no doubt as to the extent of the belief in the minds of business men that there is no ground for lack of confidence in what the future will bring forth.

Business Men Confident.
These reports, which have come to the President personally, are said to be borne out by others which have been made to him by Secretary of Commerce Hedfield. Mr. Hedfield, at the President's request, has sought within the past month to keep in close touch with the viewpoint of business men throughout the country, and he confirmed the statement of the President's correspondents that the operators of industrial corporations are not only hopeful but confident.

The President admitted that there was some unrest in the business world, but indicated that it was largely confined to industries whose prosperity is dependent to a greater or less degree on the prosperity of the railroads. In this connection friends of the administration declare that the business of the railroads will undoubtedly live up if they are permitted to increase rates in accordance with their application made to the Interstate Commerce Commission. The impression is quite general that the commission will favorably act on the application of the railroads.

President Wilson told callers that he would regard it as highly improper for him to discuss the merits of the proposed increase in railroad freight rates in his message to Congress today. In view of the fact that the appeal for this increase is pending before the Interstate Commerce Commission. It had been indicated that the President might consider himself justified in advising the commission in a public way as to his personal views on the subject. It is known, however, that the President will not touch on the question.

President Favors Roads.
It is regarded as practically certain that the President's personal view is that permission to make the desired increase in freight rates should be accorded the roads. The understanding is that close personal friends of the President and men in whose fairness and integrity of mind he has great confidence, have advised Mr. Wilson that an imperative necessity exists for the betterment of railroad conditions.

The commission will be heard in the course of these correspondents with regard to the general business outlook in the railroad field have been given serious consideration by the President, and have resulted in the conclusion by him that the railroads' requests should be approved.

In order to expedite the settlement of the application of the Eastern carriers for an increase in freight rates the Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday issued a circular simplifying many of the interrogatories recently sent to the carriers. Among other things, the commission indicates that it will permit carriers to make returns by systems instead of by individual roads, and this, it is understood, will save the carriers considerable time and expense.

The commission has not yet fixed a date for the resumption of the rate hearings, but it is semi-officially stated that the commission's hearings probably will be resumed by February 2, when commission hearings will be heard. The commission has decided to resume hearings before the carriers have furnished answers to the interrogatories recently formulated.

TIME SIGNAL SENT OUT.

Wireless Station Aids Clocks of World in Setting Standard.

Precisely at last midnight the navy wireless station at Arlington sent out a time signal to regulate the clocks of the world, according to Washington time. A similar flash was sent out when the New Year came into existence, but owing to climatic conditions, this flash did not reach far distant points.

It is expected that last night's time signal reached the Eiffel Tower in Paris, Colorado Springs. The flash will be repeated every night this week so as to aid in regulating chronometers all over the world.

JULIA MARLOWE COMING EAST.

Operation for Chronic Appendicitis May Be Necessary.

Los Angeles, Jan. 18.—Accompanied by a special nurse, a cook, maid, and her pet dog "Solomon," Miss Julia Marlowe, the actress, who last night suffered a collapse, started for New York tonight in a private car attached to the Santa Fe train leaving at 8 o'clock.

An X-ray picture taken by Dr. A. Fortlan, today showed that chronic appendicitis existed and it was decided to rush Miss Marlowe East for treatment, and possibly an operation.

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of most dealers—for 25 cents
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PAIR IN LOVE RACE ACROSS CONTINENT

Girl Given Two Days' Handicap in Dash to San Francisco.

MAN SAYS HE WILL CATCH UP

Special to The Washington Herald.
New York, Jan. 19.—A "love race" across the continent with pretty Fritzie Schidbert having a two-day handicap over her ardent lover, Edward Wilhelm, was started by the immigration authorities today after they had held the couple to investigate why they had come here from Stockholm in the same ship.

Miss Schidbert and Wilhelm got in on the Coronica, and planned to be married here. But the immigration authorities would not let them come ashore until their romance had been investigated. Despite their pleas they had been engaged two years, the officials were obstinate.

The girl, who is sixteen, said she had an aunt in San Francisco. The aunt was communicated with and promised to put up a bond that the girl would not become a public charge if she were admitted.

Miss Schidbert was permitted to leave Ellis Island today for her aunt's. But not so Edward. He will languish here two days before they will turn him loose.

The immigration folk want to give the girl plenty of time to get well on her way to San Francisco before the man is liberated. Then, when he arrives in San Francisco, they can marry if the aunt is willing.

"It is a regular love race they are going to start me on," said Wilhelm. "I'll do it as fast as trains will take me and maybe I'll cheat them by catching her before she gets to San Francisco. If I don't, no matter, because I know her aunt will let us wed."

Number of natives employed in the Transvaal gold mines at the end of April was 220,102, against 222,791 in January.

HOUSE PASSES LEVER BILL.

Measure Provides for Federal Aid in Agricultural Work.

By a vote of 177 to 9, the House yesterday passed the Lever bill, providing for Federal support of agricultural extension work between the agricultural colleges in the several States receiving the benefits of the act of Congress of 1862 and the United States Department of Agriculture.

For inaugurating the work of co-operation the bill makes a permanent appropriation of \$48,000—\$10,000 for each State—to be paid annually after the State legislatures have assented to the provisions of the act. A supplemental appropriation of \$300,000 per annum follows for a period of ten years after the legislative assents have been obtained, so that a further appropriation of \$2,000,000 is included.

St. Stephen's Club Gives Comedy.
"The Doctor," an amusing comedy, was presented last night in the St. Stephen's parish hall by the St. Stephen's Dramatic Club for the benefit of the day nursery branch of the Community Club.

TAXPAYERS BEWARE

Don't forget to pay the taxes on your real estate for year 1913 by January 31, or your name will appear in the DELINQUENT TAX LIST