

CLERKS' APPEALS
STRIKE LAWMAKERS

House Committeemen on Reforms in Civil Service Are Convinced.

PENSIONS A NECESSITY

Daniel Goldschmidt, Postal Employee, Makes Strong Plea for a Retirement Plan.

Witnesses before the House Committee on Reforms in the Civil Service, yesterday convinced some of the greatest enemies of civil service pensions that the life of a government clerk is not a path of roses, after all.

Goldschmidt, a \$1,400 clerk in the New York City postoffice, made the strongest plea he has yet heard on civil pensions.

CAN ITEMIZE EXPENSES.

"I can itemize every cent I have spent for the last seventeen years," said Goldschmidt. "I have not had a salary increase in nine years, and I have not been able to save one cent in ten years."

Goldschmidt presented what he termed "bed-rock" figures on the cost of living in New York for a family of five:

Rent, \$23.25; food, \$27.31; clothing, \$18.84; fuel, \$16.42; lunches, \$22.40; dues, \$27.82; medicine, \$28.83; ice, \$18.25; car fare, \$23.72; household supplies, \$22.21; all other miscellaneous, \$25.40. This totaled \$1,065.19.

"This is bed-rock," he explained. "You will notice it provides nothing for emergencies, births, deaths or sickness."

"I shouldn't think you'd want any births," remarked a committeeman. "Those figures are too near the average salary."

Goldschmidt favored a contributory pension plan and increased salaries for government clerks. William Russell, president of the United States Civil Service Retirement Association, also appeared in favor of a contributory plan.

Speaker Clark yesterday reiterated a statement he made two years ago to The Washington Herald, to the effect that he would support a contributory pension plan that would not involve Federal expenditures.

SCENTS PLAN TO KILL PARCEL POST SYSTEM

Representative Says Amendment to Senate Bill Destroys Postmaster General's Power.

Representative David J. Lewis, of Maryland, today attacked the House bill which considers a plot, "fendishly unfair, which threatens to handoff and hog-tie the parcel post system of the United States."

Mr. Lewis, in a rapid-fire ten minutes speech, told the House that under the terms of an amendment to the postoffice bill, now pending in the Senate, the Postmaster General would be the only person in the United States who is denied the right to go to the Interstate Commerce Commission and ask an adjustment of rate schedules, and by it he is put in the position of having to depend upon the national legislature to do his rate making.

"The parcel post, it can be proved by figures based upon the returns from fifty cities, turned in a profit to the government of nearly \$5,000,000 during the last three months of 1912," he said, "if the power to regulate parcel post rates is taken away from the Postmaster General it is only a question of a short while before the express companies will take away from the parcel post all of its profitable business. The retention in the postoffice of the Senate amendment destroying the Postmaster General's right is easily worth \$50,000,000 in good, hard cash to the express companies of the United States."

FEDERAL RESERVE HAS CONFIDENCE OF BANKS

Comptroller Williams Predicts President Will Select Five Biggest Men for Board.

"Ninety-nine and one-half per cent of the national banking capital of the country has come into the Federal reserve system without the bankers knowing what five men would be appointed to the board."

John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, today made that statement after predicting that President Wilson would live up to the hopes of banking interests and select the five biggest men for the Federal reserve board.

Asked if on his recent trip with the organization committee he met any antagonism towards the new law, Mr. Williams said the bankers who appeared before the committee were in accord with the scheme.

The Comptroller did not mention any names that might be appointed to the Federal reserve board. The President will endeavor to name the entire quota before March 1, it is understood. February 23 has been set as the last day for the national banks to come in under the new system. The most notify the organization committee before that of their intention or else must go into liquidation by December 14, 1914.

Fire Ruins Scantly Glad Family. Special to The Washington Herald. Hagerstown, Md., Feb. 20.—With the mercury hovering just far from zero, Howard E. Robinson, a merchant of Indian Springs, and family early this morning, escaped scantly clad from a second-story window to a porch roof while their residence burned to the ground.

The 1,972,328 persons actively engaged in farm work in Ireland on June 1, 1912, constituted 21 per cent of the total population (4,390,219), according to the 1911 census. Of this number 310,503 were male and 362,135 female.

HOME OWNERS

If they knew the flagrant injustice of which they are made the victims in the Borland amendment to the District appropriation bill, which has passed the House, would flood the Capitol with their protests.

THERE IS DANGER

That this confiscatory measure may be enacted into law.

READ

The editorial on the Borland amendment in today's Herald; read and study the articles by Henry B. Macfarland appearing daily in The Herald, and then protest to Congress against the oppression that is contemplated.

CORRECTION

Note—In Mr. Macfarland's article in The Herald yesterday a typographical error made him say that 611 acres was given free to the United States as the site for the National Capitol. The area given to the United States for this purpose comprised 6,111 acres, or ten times the number of acres the types made Mr. Macfarland say.

GARRISON WOULD GIVE STATES WATER REVENUE

Secretary of War Drafts Bill to Settle Dispute Over Development of Waterways.

Secretary of War Garrison has communicated to Representative Adamson, chairman of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, an outline of the administration policy on the development of waterpower in navigable streams, and has drafted a bill embodying this policy which he hopes will be presented to Congress for consideration.

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Mr. Garrison has endeavored to break the impasse reached by what have been the conflicting views of this subject, one element in the country maintaining that waterpower development should be controlled by the government and another school holding that the government should control only navigation, leaving all else to the States. This has resulted, Mr. Garrison believes, in an era of "do nothing" on the part of the government.

Secretary Garrison's predecessor, Mr. Stimson, was one of those who held that the Federal government should share in the profits. Mr. Garrison believes that it is more just to let the State be the one to profit by waterpower development. His aim is to effect the adoption of such a policy, Mr. Garrison has described to Representative Adamson as follows:

"It provides that those who wish to dam a navigable stream and incidentally create waterpower, must, as at present, obtain the right to do so from their state, and then must obtain authority from the Congress. The company seeking this right must be a public utility company."

"The state in which this company is incorporated, or in which it operates, must have provided a body authorized to properly regulate public utilities of this character and such body must have provided proper regulations that the company shall make proper use of the utility, give proper service, make only reasonable charges, and otherwise conduct itself in a way to conserve the rights of the people in the use of the public utility."

"The franchise or right may be any period up to fifty years. There are provisions retaining power in the hands of the Secretary of War and in Congress to prevent violation of the things which the act requires the company to do."

"The State may make proper provisions for the taxation or receipt of revenue. It has been suggested that the State might properly provide a scheme by which, in consideration of no imposts, or of slight imposts, to dam and accessory works should, at the end of a fixed period, become the property of the State."

Stokes Goes to Philadelphia. Medical Director Charles F. Stokes, whose term as surgeon general of the navy expired recently, has been placed in the charge of the naval hospital at Philadelphia, Pa. He succeeds Medical Inspector George A. Lung, transferred to duty at the naval training station at Newport, R. I.

GIRL OF 15 VANISHES, TAKING BROTHERS

Believed to Have Gone to Passaic, N. J., to Visit Old Friend of Her Family.

Giving no reason for leaving home, pretty Louise Prestele, fifteen years old, yesterday morning took her two little brothers, Morris, aged twelve and Frank, aged ten, and disappeared from 1216 Union street southeast.

As a result their father, Francis Joseph Prestele, an ironworker employed at the new Bureau of Engraving and Printing Building, appealed to the police to make an investigation of their disappearance.

Neighbors say the girl packed a suitcase shortly after her father and older brother left home early yesterday morning to go to work and announced she was going to Jersey City, N. J., to see a friend, but did not explain why she was taking her two little brothers along.

At her home last night her father stated she took \$15 of his money with her. The only reason that can be assigned for the disappearance of the three is that the girl has taken them to Passaic, N. J., to see an old friend of the family who formerly lived in Washington.

The police are on the lookout and the authorities at Jersey City, Passaic and other Jersey towns have been notified.

SEVEN MEN BLOWN TO PIECES

Saltcoats, Scotland, Feb. 20.—Seven men were blown to pieces and more than a score injured by an explosion today in the mixing works of the Nobel Explosive Factory, at Ardeer, Ayrshire. The entire plant was wrecked by the blast, believed to have been caused by the carelessness of an employee. It is said many men are buried in the ruins, and search is being made for bodies. The shock of the explosion was felt for thirty miles.

SAXONY'S CROWN PRINCE III

Dresden, Feb. 20.—Crown Prince George of Saxony is ill with inflammation of the throat and is unable to leave his bed.

SOLONS TO ACT SOON ON POINDEXTER BILL

District Delegate Measure Is Said to Be Favored by the Senate Committee.

ROY C. CLAFIN URGES ACTION

It is understood the Senate District Committee will soon consider the Poindexter delegate bill, which provides for representation of the District of Columbia in Congress.

Senator John Walter Smith, chairman of the committee which has charge of the bill, said last night he would call a meeting to consider the Poindexter measure as soon as the District appropriation bill is out of the way.

OUTLOOK IS BRIGHT

Outlook for the passage of the measure is bright, according to officers of the District Delegate Association, Roy C. Clafin, chairman, yesterday forwarded to the Senate District Committee a letter urging favorable action on the Poindexter bill. The letter says:

"The passage of this bill will restore to the 300,000 citizens of the National Capital the right bestowed on all qualified Americans of the right to vote. It will give to this community, the population of which is greater than that of each of eight States of the Union, the privilege of being represented by one of their number in their legislative assembly, a right not denied to any other American political entity."

"This will result in the elimination of much embarrassing and detrimental misunderstanding between Congress and the local community, insuring a more harmonious and sympathetic co-operation between them."

"Furthermore, it will expedite District legislation to a remarkable extent, and will relieve individual members of the Senate and the House of considerable time which is now required of them in attending to many routine details involved in the relations of Congress and the District government."

"In debates, on the floor of Congress, on legislation pertaining to the District the people of this community will have the right and advantage of being represented by an official spokesman, a right that members of Congress cannot with justice withhold, and indeed from any community of their fellow-American citizens."

WOULD EXPEDITE LEGISLATION

"Not only will this proposed law expedite District legislation in Congress, rendering greater fairness to the District and making the Representative's task lighter, but it will relieve the overworked District Commissioners of burdensome duties which they now must perform at the Capitol explaining, defending and pleading for the needs of the people of Washington."

"The Poindexter delegate bill does not involve any change in the present form of local government, and therefore should become a law the moment it is passed by Congress, for this would entitle the people of the District to be heard through their elected representative, on a matter so vitally affecting them."

MANY METHODISTS AT REUNION AND SUPPER

Bishop Burt Discusses "The Italian in America" and Other Addresses Are Made.

Methodists of the District of Columbia held their annual reunion and supper last night at Metropolitan M. E. Church. Three hundred and ten persons sat down to the supper, which was served by the women of the Metropolitan Church.

Technically, the name of the society under the auspices of which the meeting was held last night is the Methodist Union and City Extension Society. Edgar A. Boraam presided and after the address of welcome by Rev. J. S. Mowbray, G. S. Gibson, C. F. Linger, J. S. Barker, D. A. Defendorf, Rev. C. E. Wise, J. L. Ewin, G. H. Stewart, and W. S. Dewhurst.

Glenn on Boundary Commission. Secretary of State Bryan announced yesterday the appointment of former Gov. Glenn, of North Carolina, to the American section of the joint international commission, which has to do with matters concerning the boundary waters between the United States and Canada. He succeeds George Turner, resigned.

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Illustration of a baby's head with red scaly spots on the scalp.