

POSTAL FORCE WILL STRIVE TO GET RAISE

Plan to Attach Reclassification Recommendations for Increases on P. O. Bill.

An effort will be made to attach a rider to the postoffice appropriation bill in the Senate, carrying out the recommendations of the salary reclassification commission with reference to increases for postal employees, to be made early in January.

LIKELY TO DELAY ACTION ON PAY BILL IN SENATE

Consensus of Opinion is That Reclassification Report Should Be Heard First.

It appeared certain today that action in the Senate on the Nolan minimum wage bill for Government employees will be held up until after the Reclassification Commission on salaries makes its report in Congress, according to the consensus of opinion expressed by members of the Committee on Education and Labor.

STATIONS OPEN SUNDAY TO HANDLE XMAS MAIL

Fourteen postal stations and five temporary stations will remain open Sunday from 1 p. m. until 5 for the acceptance of parcel post and registered mail and the sale of postage stamps.

3 INJURED IN TRIO OF AUTO ACCIDENTS

Suffering from a slight scalp wound, Albert W. Pettit, 1009 Ninth street southeast, driver of a milk wagon, was injured when an automobile collided with the wagon he was driving at Seventeenth and L streets northwest.

BROWNLOW ILL WITH COLD.

District Commissioner Louis Brownlow today is confined in his apartment with a cold. He was absent from his desk yesterday.

What's the Matter With The Schools?

Washington school system is short of teachers, short of room, short of equipment, and in deplorable state otherwise. In this series of articles The Times will set forth the conditions, for the information of Washington people and members of Congress.

Ernest L. Thurston, superintendent of schools, in a recent address to school teachers and officials, stated that the existing conditions in the school could be remedied by four specific improvements in the system.

His four improvements are: More schools. More teachers. Adequate pay for teachers. A financial department in the schools. Superintendent Thurston says that if Congress would see fit to make these improvements he is sure that no longer would there be problems confronting school officials.

FOSTER IS MADE HEAD OF D. C. INSTITUTIONS

Acting Superintendent to Act Jointly for Jail, Workhouse, and Reformatory.

Charles C. Foster today was named by the District Commissioners as joint superintendent of the District jail, the workhouse at Occoquan, Va., and the reformatory at Lorton, Va. Superintendent Foster has been acting superintendent of these three institutions for more than six months.

MAN TAKEN ILL ON STREET DROPS DEAD

Body of Another Found When Policeman Breaks Into His Room.

John Lydon, fifty-five years old, of 1026 Twenty-fifth street northwest, a workman employed by the Capital Traction Company, at First and B streets southeast, was taken suddenly ill while at work this morning and fell to the sidewalk while on his way to a nearby drug store.

NOT SURE IT'S RUM? TEST IT WITH COPPER WIRE

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TRAIN SERVICE CRIPPED BY FIRST SNOW

Temperature Down to 13 Degrees as Capital Wakes to View White Landscape.

Washington woke up to a white landscape this morning. From two to three inches of snow covered the ground, and made walking and driving difficult while trains from all directions were from one to two hours late, due to similar conditions from lower Virginia to Maine and as far West as the Mississippi valley.

Rotary Plows Busy.

The street railway companies had rotary plows on the tracks before daylight and were able to handle all passengers.

690 APPLY FOR WORK AT CITIZENS' BUREAU

A total of 690 applications for employment were received by the Citizens' Employment Bureau, 1410 Pennsylvania avenue, last week, according to figures issued today by George L. Price, director.

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KODAKERS

High School Pupils Are Forced to Wash Walls



Civics class of Western High School washing walls at the school. Lack of appropriations by Congress to paint the walls caused the students to take a hand at scrubbing up the building after school sessions. The photograph shows the boys with soap and water cleaning the walls and scrubbing up the floors.

Civil Service for D. C. Employees Turned Down

Washington was lauded as the best governed cities in the United States in every way, and I don't see how civil service will improve it.

Mr. Tinkham took issue with him, declaring that "I think Washington is very extravagantly managed."

Mr. Benson called attention to the expense of the District being what is equivalent to only a \$2 tax rate, as compared with twice that sum in many other cities of equal size.

Mr. Tinkham replied that the rate in Boston was only \$2.50, but admitted that the city debt of Boston was the greatest per capita of any city in the country.

Mr. Benson argued that since the District debt would shortly be null, it argued that the District government was much better than that of Boston.

Chairman Mapes of the House District Committee said he had always favored the principle of the civil service, but that he had never had occasion to investigate it as far as it is related to the District, where only the firemen and policemen are under civil service.

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SENATE TO KILL HOUSING BUREAU

Early and Favorable Action Expected on Bill to Abolish Corporation.

Following the lead of the House, early passage of the bill abolishing the United States Housing Corporation in accordance with the recommendations of an investigating subcommittee, is expected in the Senate.

Charges by the wholesale involving waste of public funds, in violation of the directions of Congress, are made against the corporation. By ignoring the direction to use the services of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, the report claims, the Government unnecessarily paid \$200,000 to other architects.

"We feel that the existence of the Housing Corporation is no longer essential to the best interests of the Government," says the report. "We believe that what affairs remain to be handled, sale of real estate, collection of loans, can better be handled by any one or more of the departments now existing, than this new agency, the Housing Corporation, and at a distinct saving in salaries to the Government."

Unless architects refund at least \$50,000 to the United States Treasury, the committee recommends the bringing of civil suits for recovery of claims. It urges that the architects employed be called upon to give an exact statement of their overhead expenditures as compared with the sum allowed by the corporation, and that they be requested to return this balance to the Government.

WILL AFFECT 4,000

Between 4,000 and 5,000 District employees would be affected by the passage of the bill, it was stated.

Finally put to a vote as to whether the committee should hold hearings on the Tinkham bill, only Congressmen Mapes and Drane voted to give consideration of the measure.

There were ten votes against it. Mr. Drane explained that he would oppose the bill, but out of courtesy to Mr. Tinkham he voted against an indefinite postponement of consideration.

"That is the most humane treatment we can give the bill," Mr. Williams said. "As it now stands, we can take it up for consideration at any time."

Mr. Mapes stated that the action of the committee effectively kills the bill as far as the present Congress is concerned.

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TABULATORS PROTEST LONG WORKING DAY

Women in Division of Currency and Loans Often Forced to Operate Machines 12 Hours.

Protesting against the working conditions imposed on women tabulating machine operators in the Bureau of Loans and Currency, Mrs. Dorothy C. Hyde told members of the Joint Congressional Commission on the Reclassification of Salaries that in some instances the girls worked eleven and twelve hours a day.

She cited as an instance where the employees in this department were requested to work overtime and were not released until 2 o'clock in the morning. The order was not mandatory, the witness explained, but came in the form of a request, and the workers felt that they must necessarily comply in order to keep their efficiency records clear.

Louis Brehm and James H. Bell, representing some 700 tabulating machine operators, appeared before the commission today and presented a lengthy brief requesting salary increases commensurate with the work performed by these employees. At the present time salaries paid these workers range from \$900 to \$1,200 per year without the bonus.

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