

PAY REVISION FIGHT AT HAND

Sterling and Smoot Factions Ready for Hot Battle When Congress Convenes.

A death grapple over reclassification is to take place in the Senate from the hour that Vice President Coolidge's gavel raps for order next Monday.

TWO GROUPS IN CLASH. Two distinct schools of thought and lines of action are to fight it out to a finish—the Sterling-Jones group, who stand steadfastly by the work of the Joint Congressional committee on reclassification, and whose bill has the support of the Federation of Federal Employees, and the Smoot-Curtis-Warren group, who have scrapped the Jones bill in favor of a simplified form of reclassification involving no great increases of salary.

Senator Smoot, acting for the Appropriations committee, will introduce his bill next Tuesday. Senator Jones will introduce the Lehibach bill at the same time. The fight will then be on.

The Smoot bill will have the support of the old line Republican leaders and the Sterling bill will have strong adherents on both sides of the chamber. All the pressure of patronage and place will be used in favor of the Smoot bill, but if passed at all, it will only be after a bitter fight.

The Appropriations Committee of the Senate has been under fire for more than a year, because it insisted upon having referred to it the Jones reclassification bill, instead of permitting it to go to the Civil Service Commission, Senator Sterling chairman, where its friends are in control. In the few days of the session last month Senator Sterling made a strong effort to have the Appropriations Committee discharged from further consideration of the measure, but failed because Senator Warren promised that the committee would act promptly on the question of reclassification as soon as the special session met.

U. S. WORKERS OPPOSE IT. To make good this pledge, the appropriations committee has framed a reclassification bill based on a principle entirely opposed to that on which the original measure was framed. It is certain to arouse the active opposition of the organized Federal employees and their friends in Congress. Nevertheless, there is no question that a powerful effort will be made to jam it through Congress with all possible speed, so as to have it effective for the next fiscal year beginning July 1.

As soon as the Lehibach bill is introduced by Senator Sterling, it will be referred to the Senate Committee on the Appropriations Committee. It goes to the latter, it will be buried for the time being, at least, and its supporters will have to concentrate their efforts on the defeat of the Smoot bill rather than on any constructive work in behalf of their own measure.

ENLIST CHILDREN IN GARDEN CAMPAIGN

First of Three Mass Meetings Is Held Under Direction of Mrs. Alburts.

Three mass meetings for school children, to launch a "clean-up" and gardening campaign in Washington, are to be held within the next few weeks. A big preliminary meeting was held yesterday afternoon at the Junior High School under direction of Mrs. Susan S. Alburts, of the nature study department.

Mrs. Alburts said that 700 children's gardens had been listed this year, not including the big plot in Potomac Park, which will be worked by the pupils of the Bradley and Jefferson schools.

The campaign will be far-reaching in its effects and plans are being made to enlist the aid of every public school student in the District.

The Kindergarten Band of the Wilson Normal School, composed of nine children, who perform on cymbals, drums, triangles, and bells, played at yesterday's meeting.

WIFE NAGGED 'N' CUSS'ED; HE THREW GLASS, HUBBY SAYS

When he had the "flu," his wife nagged him almost into a frenzy, yesterday to John F. McCarren, who yesterday answered the suit for limited divorce filed against him by Elizabeth C. McCarren.

He admitted he threw a glass at his wife, but says that "this was the only time in their married life that he ever raised a hand against her."

McCarren declared his wife is "of a highly-tensioned temper and is always ready to fly into a passion and use language unbecoming a wife and woman."

"MY busy, day, get another cobbler," F. Sumner, 1734 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, told a White House attache who took President Harding's golf shoes to his shop for repair. Sumner has cobbled for Cleveland, Roosevelt, Taft and Wilson.



Eggs Retreat to Almost Nothing a Dozen

By KIRK MILLER

Maryland motorists. That are stored in the sticks and coafs which are embalmed in the city parts? That a Bolling Field aviator flew to Havre de Grace and. Return without getting off of good roads. While. Virginia pedestrians should be grieved to discover that a. Washington motorist skidded from McLean to Great Falls. Without getting off of. Bad roads. Which twin incidents provide a kind of a lame. Comparison of highway indignities here and hereabouts. If the air routes to points north and the dirt routes to points south aren't highways, then the dictionary is. A failure. Only one is altitudinally high while. 'Tother is highway robbery. The poor farmer yanks himself away from a license fee for the privilege of getting mired going. And coming from market on some of the county's best stretches of. Soup roads. But he nails the time lost and the cuss words also. Onto the price of fresh, country, storage eggs. Now we ask you what is the difference between. Eggs.

VOTE \$95,000 FOR AUTOMATIC PHONES

C. & P. Directors Ratify Plan to Build Extension to North Exchange.

Formal approval of the first step in the installation of automatic telephone equipment in Washington was taken today by the unanimous vote of the board of directors of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company.

Plans for the installation of automatic equipment have been hitherto made public by the telephone company, and today's board action approves the building of the first unit. It will be a \$95,000 extension to the North Exchange, at Fourteenth and R streets northwest.

The board action is notable to telephone officials here because the meeting was attended by H. B. Thayer, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and head of the Bell telephone system; also Walter S. Gifford, vice president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company; and H. F. Thurber, president of the New York Telephone Company.

Other members of the board present today were Albert E. Berry, president of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company; Charles J. Bell, president of the American Security and Trust Company; John Poole, president of the Federal National Bank, and C. N. Carter, of Baltimore. After the meeting Mr. Thayer inspected the plant in this city.

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K.C. MEMORIAL MAY YET RISE

Organization Urged to Carry Out Plan for "Tribute" Building to World War Vets.

Washington may yet receive the \$5,000,000 war memorial building proposed by the Knights of Columbus. Despite the fact that the American Legion refused to recognize the Knights' offer of a memorial building dedicated to all men and women who saw service in the world war, a movement is under way to urge the supreme board of directors of the Knights of Columbus to erect such a building on its own account.

CLERGY FAVOR PLAN. Many clergymen and laymen of the District of Columbia have written and wired the Knights of Columbus headquarters in New York city, urging that this action be taken. They point out that no more fitting tribute to the veterans of the great war could be made than by taking a portion of the fund collected from the public by the Knights and erecting a beautiful war memorial.

This fund, it was stated, was given by the public with the understanding that it should be devoted to the welfare of the soldiers, sailors and marines. Commenting on the appeals received from Washington and other cities, William P. Larkin, supreme director of the Knights of Columbus, said that until the next regular meeting of the supreme board of directors, which occurs late in June, no official consideration could be given the appeal.

In the meantime, Director Larkin said, the work of the Knights of Columbus in the various Government hospitals and educational and recreational endeavors will be continued.

LITTLE GIRL ATTACKED BY DOG WHILE AT PLAY

While playing in front of her home yesterday evening, Olive Padgett, eleven years old, 637 Florence street northeast, was bitten by a dog said to be owned by Andrew Kaskety, 622 Florence street northeast. Her injury is not serious.

Boys' Club Holds Reception.

District Commissioners, Kutz, Rudolph, and Oyster and members of the Monday Evening Club, will be guests of honor at a reception to be held this afternoon and evening by the Boys' Club at Trinity Community House, Third and C streets northwest. The reception will begin at 4 o'clock and continue until 10 o'clock.

Pen Women to Meet.

The first national convention of the women writers of the country will open at the Willard Hotel next week and complete reorganization of the League of American Pen Women to keep pace with the rapid growth of the organization will take place. The matter of re-incorporation under the laws of the District, to cover the increased property rights of the organization will be discussed at the convention.

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BUSINESS MEN TO HEAR CHARACTER ANALYST

Washington business men tonight will take their first lesson in character reading with a view of employing scientific methods in employing help for responsible positions in the future. Dr. Katherine M. H. Blackford, character analyst, will lecture to the representatives of a half dozen Department stores this evening, showing them how the character of the applicants for positions can be determined both as to ability and fitness for the positions they seek.

Last night Dr. Blackford addressed a meeting of 600 persons at the Washington hotel.

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RUDOLPH MAKES ALIBI RULE FOR WORKERS ON "BALL" DAYS

With the opening day of the league baseball season approaching, District Commissioner Rudolph believes it necessary to issue a few instructions to the employees of the city government. Therefore, the following sign now adorns the mantelpiece in the commissioner's office: NOTICE. All requests for leave of absence owing to funerals, weddings, lame back, house cleaning, sore throat, headache, etc., must be handed in before 10 o'clock ON THE DAY OF THE GAME.

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FIVE NEW MEN BAKERS WANT ON D. C. GROUP

Keller, Woodruff, Sproul, Brown, and Underhill Slated for District Committee.

Five new Republicans are slated to appear on the new House District Committee, provided their names are O. K'd by the G. P. O. caucus. They are Oscar E. Keller of Minnesota, Roy O. Woodruff of Michigan, Elliott W. Sproul of Illinois, Joe Brown of Tennessee and Charles L. Underhill of Massachusetts.

FEWER DEMOCRATS. In the previous Congress the District Committee was composed of thirteen Republicans and six Democrats.

Three of the new assignments were made to fill vacancies, one to succeed former Chairman Carl E. Mapes of Michigan, who goes to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce; one to succeed Anderson H. Walters, of Pennsylvania, who was not re-elected, and the third to fill an already existing vacancy. The other two assignments are accounted for by the change in ratio of Republican and Democratic members.

It will be necessary for the Democrats to make additional assignments since two of the minority members of the committee will not return. These are Congressman Romjue of Missouri and Congressman Benson of Maryland.

NEW MEMBERS ARRIVE. Of the new Republican members, Brown of Tennessee and Underhill of Massachusetts, arrived in Washington yesterday. Congressman Keller of Minnesota is the only one of the five who has served in a previous Congress. He was appointed at the request of former Chairman Mapes because of his long experience in public utility questions, being former public utility commissioner of St. Paul.

Congressman Benjamin K. Focht, of Pennsylvania, will be chairman of the new committee which is expected to set a new legislative record for the District. Its first big problem will be the most serious merger question. Action on the committee appointments will be taken by the Republican caucus tomorrow.

Arts Carnival to Continue.

More than 500 members and friends of the Washington Arts Club attended the carnival held last night at the clubhouse, 2017 I street northwest, in commemoration of the fifth anniversary of the founding of the club. The affair was so successful that it was decided to continue the carnival until Saturday night.

CURIOSITY

induced me to determine why the crowd went to GROVE'S, 1210 G, for developing and printing. One lot of pictures made me a regular follower. (Signed) Amateur Photographer.

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