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PRESIDENT WILL BATTLE FOR LEAGUE

RUSSEL UNDER FIRE OF SENATE

Proceedings of Impeachment May Be Started as Result of Request to House.

REFER PROBE RESOLUTION

Investigation Turned Over to Lower House to Make Trial Possible.

MANY CHARGES ARE MADE

Misuse of Commissioner's Office Claimed—Bitter Attacks Heard.

World's Capital Bureau.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 24.—The impeachment of Campbell Russell, corporation commissioner, may follow the action of the senate this afternoon in passing the resolution by Senator Warren K. Snyder, which asks an investigation of the commissioner's record.

Snyder asked that his resolution be taken up by the senate for its own investigation, but Senator R. L. Davidson of Tulsa, who has previously suggested in the senate that the body is useless and that there is no longer a need for the commission, foresaw that such action might prejudice the senate from sitting in judgment in case impeachment charges were filed, so he moved to refer the resolution to the house with a request for action.

There was not a vote against the adoption of the resolution. As soon as the senate was settled down to business, Senator Snyder asked that the resolution be called up. The reading clerk read it in full, with its references to the recent letter which Russell sent to the members of the senate and including the references in "The Cat," recently published, to the members of the legislative body. Then Snyder began his speech, which was one of the most bitter attacks made upon a public official ever heard in the state capital.

Snyder made references to the purported contracts which Russell has obtained from those districts which would profit by the incorporation into the constitution of "12 A" and further charged that Russell's firm is employed by the Tulsa law firm of Blakeney & Maxey, which appears frequently before the commission in representing certain of its clients.

What action will be taken by the house on the resolution could not be forecast tonight. It is considered likely, however, that it will be referred to the house committee on impeachment and removal from office. Senators W. P. Hill and James Draughon joined in the attack on Russell in the senate.

SAYS FOUR VIOLATED

STATE'S LABOR LAWS

Information Filed and Warrants Issued for Arrest of Tulsa.

By County Attorney.

Information charging violation of the work and labor laws of the state were filed by County Attorney Tom Munroe yesterday against V. M. Cone, Carl Pleasant, W. B. Vratenburg and W. H. Vratenburg. The complaints are sworn to by D. L. Easterly, factory inspector for Oklahoma and formerly head of the labor bureau in Tulsa.

Carl Pleasant, member of the paving contracting firm of Tibbitt & Pleasant, is charged with having worked two men on a paving job in the city more than eight hours per day in violation of the statute.

Following the strike of the men on the city work in the employ of Pleasant, Mr. Easterly made an investigation of the conditions under which the men were working, and the charge against Pleasant is the result of his investigation.

Cone is said to have permitted Harold Daniels, a youth under 18 years of age, to run an elevator in the Commerce building between the hours of 6 p. m. and 7 a. m.

W. B. and W. H. Vratenburg are each charged in separate informations with permitting Ross Frasier to work more than eight hours per day in a rooming house.

The informations were filed before Justice H. J. Gray and warrants were issued late yesterday afternoon for the arrest of the defendants.

Crisis in Hun Cabinet

Now Reported Brewing

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 24.—A crisis is brewing in the German cabinet, according to the Wiener correspondent of the Vossische Zeitung.

The trouble is due to a disagreement between Matthias Erzberger, the head of the German armistice commission, and Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, the foreign minister.

Hyeckha Recital Tonight

Mrs. Edward McDowell will give a lecture-recital at the high school auditorium at 8 o'clock tonight under the auspices of the Hyeckha Club.

The program will open with a short talk on the work of the memorial association.

Warning Against Foreign Alliances in Farewell Address of Washington

THE WEATHER

TULSA, Feb. 24.—Maximum, 60; minimum, 40; north wind and cloudy. OKLAHOMA: Tuesday fair, much colder. Wednesday fair. LOUISIANA: Tuesday clearing, colder, except in southeast portion; Wednesday fair. ARIZONA: Tuesday clearing, much colder. Wednesday fair. EAST TEXAS: Tuesday fair, preceded by showers on the coast, colder. Wednesday fair. WEST TEXAS: Tuesday fair, colder in southeast portion; Wednesday fair. KANSAS: Generally fair, much colder Tuesday; Wednesday probably fair.

MY UNCLE BILL

My Uncle Bill was different from a lot of men I know. He never was ashamed, when asked, to say he didn't know. He never picked opinions from the other fellow's tree, and he never took another's word for it. However, good gardener the other man might be.

He used to say: "Perhaps he's right, but I've done some thinking and I feel that I should think the same way until I've studied it."

"The Lord gave me a brain to use and eyes with which to see."

With reasonable ideas, though, he didn't suffer from it.

He didn't send me down to earth to get all around and blink.

And he was contented with the things which other people think.

He didn't say: "You'll find your thoughts in books on any shelf."

I feel that he hoped I'd do some thinking for myself.

"He sent me here with power to make my choice 'twixt right and wrong."

To choose the lodge and church and school to which I would belong.

And no man takes another's word for what is good to eat.

For what one man calls bitter food, another swears is sweet.

And so with men's opinions I'll not quarrel or agree.

Until I've done some thinking and the truth seems clear to me."

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Wire Briefs

WILLIAMS' CONFIRMATION IS RECOMMENDED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—By a strict party vote of 9 to 4, the senate banking committee decided today to recommend confirmation of the nomination of John Skelton Williams to succeed himself as comptroller of the currency.

ONE-HALF OF ONE PER CENT ALCOHOL IS ALLOWED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Any beverage containing more than one-half of one per cent alcohol would be banned by the wartime prohibition, effective next July 1, under a measure approved today by the house judiciary committee to make the act effective.

AMIR KHAN KILLED IN AFGHANISTAN

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Habibullah Khan, the Amir of Afghanistan, was murdered on February 20, according to official announcement made here today.

CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS ARE RETURNING PACE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Nearly all the conscientious objectors recently released by the army at Fort Leavenworth have returned the money paid them on discharge, holding that the scruples which prevented them from fighting also forbade the acceptance of pay for noncombatant service. It was learned today that about \$5,000 already had been returned and remittances still were coming in.

Rupprecht Wanted As Chief Plotter—Leopold in Prison

By The Associated Press.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—Former Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, who was commander of the northern section on the western front in the final stages of the war, is reported to have been at the head of a monarchist plot that resulted in the assassination of Premier Eisner. The ex-crown prince is being sought by the police.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—(Havas).—Following a meeting at Mannheim called in honor of the memory of Kurt Eisner, the republic of Baden was proclaimed, says a Havas dispatch. The people opened the gates of the military prison and liberated men in prison and then raided the castle and burned the archives.

GENEVA, Feb. 24.—Prince Leopold, former commander-in-chief of the German armies on the Russian front, has been imprisoned at Munich on suspicion of being one of the instigators of the murder of Premier Eisner.

A list of the persons to be assassinated by the reactionaries is said to have been found and it is asserted that it had been decided to take 20 hostages from among the aristocracy. All the students in the university have been searched.

A provisional ministry has been

Famous Speech Recalled By Proposed League of Nations.

IS APPLICABLE AGAIN

Foresight of First President Is Proved By the Present Situation.

EUROPE'S TROUBLE FOREIGN

United States Should Not Mix Into Jealousies of Other Powers.

As President Wilson opens his speaking campaign in the United States to secure adoption of his plan for a league of nations, those who have been following the details of the workings of these formulating these plans cannot help feeling that in Washington's famous farewell address, there was a far-sighted warning against the very alliance now proposed.

The American people are being asked to renounce their power to wage war and make peace, but to place supreme authority in the hands of a committee of nine members, one of which is our country, and the remaining eight consisting of seven monarchies and one republic, all in Europe and Asia.

In his prophetic address, Washington, after calling attention to the country's inter-related interests and the necessity for union and mutual forbearance, comes to the subject of "foreign alliances," and says:

"Observe good faith and justice towards all nations. Cultivate peace and harmony with all. Religion and morality enjoin this duty; and on it, that good policy does not equally enjoin it. It will be worthy of a free, enlightened, and at no distant period, a great nation, to give to mankind the magnanimous and more novel example of a people always guided by an exalted justice and benevolence. Who can doubt that in the course of time and things, the fruits of such a plan would richly repay the temporary advantages which might be lost by a steady adherence to it? Can it be that Providence has not connected the permanent felicity of a nation with its virtue? The experiment, at least, is recommended by every sentiment which ennobles human nature. Alas, it is rendered impossible by its vices?"

"In the execution of such a plan nothing is more essential than that permanent, inveterate antipathies against particular nations and passionate attachments for others, should be excluded; and that in place of them, just and amicable feelings towards all should be cultivated."

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Commission to Poland Is Considering Army

WARSAW, Saturday, Feb. 22.—The announcement by Ignace Jan Paderewski that a large Polish army is needed is being considered by members of the interallied mission here, and it is likely that the members of the mission will be obliged to stay longer than three weeks, the time which was fixed for its study of Polish affairs.

REFERENDUM ASKED ON LEAGUE PROGRAM

Resolution Is Introduced in House to Submit Proposed Constitution to Vote of the People.

LEWIS COMES TO DEFENSE

Illinois Senator Upholds Pact in Arrangement of Opponents—Says They Have Wrong Conception.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The first address in the senate in defense of the proposed constitution of the league of nations was delivered today by Senator Lewis of Illinois, democratic whip, who took issue with the recent criticisms made by Senator Borah of Idaho, republican, and vigorously defended the pact.

Speaking for nearly two hours, Senator Lewis denied contentions of opponents of the league that it would abrogate the Monroe doctrine, that it was a departure from the principles of Washington and Jefferson, that it would dictate world armament and that America would be outvoted by the United Kingdom.

An immense overflow audience listened intently to the speech and vigorously applauded when the Illinois senator concluded.

Senator Lewis' address is to be followed soon by many other discussions of the league. Senator Owen of Oklahoma, democratic, and Cummings, Iowa, republican, will speak Wednesday and the debate is expected to continue daily until congress adjourns one week from tomorrow.

Referendum Asked

In the house today Representative Leeland of Minnesota, republican, introduced a resolution proposing a national referendum on the league to be called by the secretary of state.

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ENVOY FROM IRELAND OFFERS CREDENTIALS

Sean O'Connell Goes to Peace Conference as Accredited Delegate of Provisional Government.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—Sean O'Connell presented himself to the peace conference today as "the accredited envoy of the provisional government of the Irish republic."

O'Connell has sent to Premier Clemenceau, to Paul Dutaia, secretary-general of the peace conference, and to each delegate a letter in which he brings to their notice the claim of his government, in the name of the Irish nation for international recognition of the independence of Ireland and for the admission of Ireland as a constituent member of the league of nations.

This communication was accompanied in each case by copies of the Irish declaration of independence of January 21 and of the message of greetings from the "nation of Ireland" to the rest of the world.

In his letter O'Connell states that Professor de Valera, Arthur Griffith and Count Plunkett have been delegated by the national assembly to present a statement to the peace conference and to the league of nations in the name of the Irish people. He asks a date be fixed for the reception of the men.

SENATE COMMITTEE VOTES FOR ARMY OF HALF MILLION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Provision for a temporary army of 535,398 officers and men after next July 1, as recommended by the war department were inserted in the billion dollar army appropriation measure today by a senate military committee. These provisions were eliminated in the house which approved an army of only 175,000 men, the maximum fixed in the national defense act of 1916.

The high committee also agreed today to pay for enlisted men on the same basis as the war made. It plans to report the bill tomorrow to the full committee.

State May Get Million in Royalty Payments From Auditor's Probe

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 24.—The state may gain \$1,000,000 as a result of the examination of records of the state auditor's probe, according to Frank Carter, state auditor.

Senator Jennings Bryan was seriously ill here were denied tonight by his friends. They explained that Mr. Bryan had been suffering from a cold but that his condition was very much improved.

Illness of Bryan Not Regarded as Serious

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Reports that former Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan was seriously ill here were denied tonight by his friends. They explained that Mr. Bryan had been suffering from a cold but that his condition was very much improved.

Spanish Cabinet Out

MADRID, Feb. 24.—The cabinet of Count Romanones has resigned. The king has requested the cabinet to remain in office until the budget is passed by parliament. In the meantime he will consult with political leaders regarding a new ministry.

MEXICAN DECISION IS LEFT TO U. S.

Understanding in Paris Is That France and England Accede to America.

BANKERS' BODY IS FORMED

International Commission Is Organized for Safeguarding Investments.

WAR BLAME WILL BE FIXED

Commission Reported to Be Through With Work—Others Hurry On.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—That Mexican problems already have been the subject of formal discussion between the delegates of the peace conference and that Great Britain and France have indicated willingness to leave to the United States adjustments of all Mexican questions in which their nationals are interested, is revealed by the announcement in Paris newspapers of the formation of an international committee of bankers to protect holders of Mexican securities.

It is not planned to bring the Mexican question before the conference officially, but advantage has been taken of the presence here of official representatives of the three nations most concerned to form the committee at this time and begin consideration of plans that may serve as a basis of adjudication.

Mexico is not represented at the conference, but the presence in Paris of Alberto J. Pani as a representative of President Carranza, opens the way for direct negotiations, should they be desired.

The subcommittee of the peace conference dealing with the responsibility of the authors of the war has completed its work. Its report has not been made public, but there seems no doubt that the report will receive formal approval and be laid before the supreme council.

It is believed that the subcommittee has made findings only as to the moral responsibility of the authors of the war and not as to the technical violations of international law by individuals.

The official communication on the peace conference today says:

"The representatives of the allied and associated governments met today at the Quai d'Orsay from 3 to 5 p. m."

The Albanian representatives were introduced and the president stated the Albanian claims. The examination of this question was referred to the committee on Greek affairs.

The Paris inter-allied commission on Polish affairs communicated certain information and proposals received from the inter-allied committee now at Warsaw. Marshal Foch was present.

"The next meeting will be held February 26 at 3 p. m."

The subcommittee of the inter-allied waterways commission has completed its discussion of the draft of the convention on the freedom of transit, submitted by the British. It was decided that the convention be left to the drafting committee.

The peace conference commission on reparations at its meeting today decided to expedite the work of the first and second subcommittees which are charged respectively with questions of the valuation of damages and a study of means of payment and the financial capacity of the enemy countries. A third subcommittee was appointed to study measures for control and guarantee.

William M. Hughes, Australian premier, was elected president, and H. M. Baruch of the United States vice president of the committee.

The committee welcomed the delegates of Portugal.

BOOTLEGGER IS ORDERED TO GO TO WET TERRITORY

RICHMOND, Mo., Feb. 24.—When Judge Frank P. Divella had finished reciting sentence imposed on Thomas J. Bohannon, convicted here of bootlegging, Bohannon exclaimed:

"That is banishment. I didn't know Richmond was in Russia."

This was the sentence: A fine of \$1,000, jail sentence of 12 months, parole on condition that Bohannon pay all costs of the case, quit the confines of the seventh judicial district within 48 hours, remain in "wet territory" so long as there shall be such within the confines of the United States, and under no circumstances ever to return to Ray, Clay or Carroll counties.

Clemenceau Soon to Be Back



Arrows point to Premier Clemenceau, at left, and President Wilson, at right.

Premier Clemenceau insists on carrying on many of the details of the world peace conference while physicians are taking every precaution to prevent serious consequences from the wounds inflicted by a would-be assassin recently. One of the seven bullets fired at the "Tiger" by Emile Cottin pierced Clemenceau's lungs. The premier as president of the peace conference has been one of the leading figures in it. Latest word from Paris is that the premier is rapidly improving and the belief is expressed by his friends that he will soon be back at his place at the head of the peace table, especially by the time President Wilson returns to Paris and Premier Lloyd George goes to Paris from London.

Ninetieth Division to Return in June; Go by Way of Rhine

By The Associated Press.

COBLENZ, Feb. 24.—The approximate dates of the departure for home of two national guard and two national army divisions comprising half the American army of occupation were announced today at third army headquarters.

The 32nd division and the 42nd or "Rainbow" division will leave about April 15 and the 89th and 90th divisions of the national army during June.

According to the plans the places of the departing divisions will be taken by three regular army divisions. The force of occupation will then consist of the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh divisions of regulars.

Details for the departure of the men by way of the Rhine and Holland are being worked out.

The 32nd division is made up of men from Michigan and Wisconsin. The 42nd division comprises national guardsmen from all sections of the union. The 89th division was recruited in Kansas, Missouri, South Dakota, Nebraska, Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, and the 90th division in Texas and Oklahoma.

STRIKE OF BUILDERS WILL BE ARBITRATED

Workmen Return to Jobs Pending Settlement of Wage Question—Decision Will Be Accepted.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—All workmen on strike in the New York building trade dispute and all other sympathetic strikers were ordered back to work tonight under an agreement reached at a conference here between representatives of the Building Trades association, the union and the secretaries of war and labor.

It was agreed that all matters in dispute would be placed before a conference committee composed of three men selected by the employers and three by the workmen. All matters upon which the committee failed to agree after three days would be submitted to Judge Henry P. Burger, of New York city, whose decision would be made within two weeks and would be final.

An advance in wages was the only question involved and the employers were said to have expressed a willingness to concede an increase. The men demanded an advance of \$1 to \$5.50 a day.

Approximately 125,000 men were involved in the strike which threatened to become nationwide. It is estimated that 50 per cent of government construction would have been stopped if the strike had spread.

Deaths in American Army of All Causes Now Total 107,444

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Deaths during the war in the American expeditionary forces and among troops in the United States from all causes, the war department announced today, numbered 107,444.

In the expeditionary forces the total was 72,961. Of these 29,829 resulted from disease, 48,748 from injuries received in battle and 3,354 from all other causes.

Among the bills on the calendar today which received favorable action were those providing for the agricultural and mechanical colleges, the one providing for the reconstruction of Wilkin Hall at Tonkawa and fixing an appropriation for the purchase of furniture and equipment, which with the bill prescribing the course of study and making the appropriation and maintenance of the school, virtually re-establishes the institution which was put out of business by Governor Williams four years ago. Other bills which went through are those providing appropriations for the Lanston colored school at Langston, for the western Oklahoma hospital for the insane at Sulphur, and the central Oklahoma hospital at Norman. Still others provided appropriations for maintenance and support for the state training school for delinquent negro boys and for deaf, blind and orphan school for negro boys and girls at Taft.

Nearly a million dollars was appropriated during the day's session.

ALL ELKS, NOTICE

Meeting tonight, Feb. 25. This meeting will be in charge of Past Exalted Rulers. Annual business, initiation and social session.

All Elks Urged to Attend

CHALLENGE ACCEPTED

Wilson, in Boston, Announces He Wants Sentiment Test.

AMERICA HAS MISSION

Must Not Now Draw Off From Responsibilities, He Says.

HAS FIGHTING, HE DECLARES

"An Indulgence Is Fight," He Asserts Before a Large Crowd.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—President Wilson will fight at home as he has fought abroad for a league of nations. Returning from France he had been on American soil not more than three hours today before he threw down the gauntlet to those who distrust the proposed concert of governments based, he said, on the American ideals which had won the war for justice and humanity.

In America, confining to her own territories her conception and purpose to make men free, he said, would have to keep her honor "for those narrow, selfish, provincial purposes which seem so dear to some minds that have no sweep beyond their nearest horizon."

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