

RUMORS OF WAR IN MINE SECTION ARE HEARD

WILSON TO READ MONEY MESSAGE

To Both Branches of Congress as He Did His Tariff Message.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—President Wilson probably will read his currency message personally to both branches of Congress assembled in the hall of the House as he did his tariff message.

He finished writing the message today. It is about 1,200 words long and urges immediate revision of the banking and currency laws.

The president expects the currency bill to be launched in both houses of Congress some time this week. It represents the administration's views and according to Mr. Wilson himself will be

No Man's Bill but the result of common counsel among currency reform advocates whose suggestions were condensed and formulated by Secretary McAdoo, of the treasury department, and Chairman Owen and Glass of the Senate and House banking and currency committee, respectively, with the advice and assistance of the president.

VENEER PRODUCTION

In the State of West Virginia is Very Much on the Increase.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—West Virginia is increasing its output of veneer, according to figures given out by the census bureau. The quantity of wood consumed in the production of veneer in West Virginia, measured in thousands of feet, is stated as follows for the last three years reported: 4,494 in 1909; 3,848 in 1910, and 5,553 in 1911. West Virginia ranks twentieth among the states in veneer production.

SUGAR LOBBY

Probe by the United States Senate is Dragging Along.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—With one side of the story of the sugar lobby to be heard from the beginning and the other side only partially completed, the Senate lobby investigators today began the third week of hearings.

Although senators expected to put Henry T. Oxnard, the beet sugar raiser and anti-free sugar advocate, through a cross examination today they hoped to finish the anti-free sugar side before night.

TOBACCO TAX

Amendment to Tariff Bill is Unanimously Rejected by Majority Members.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—A graduated tax on tobacco as an amendment to the tariff bill was unanimously rejected by the majority members of the Senate finance committee today, who voted down Senator Hitchcock's amendment suggested by Attorney General McReynolds. The committee approved placing live stock and grain on the free list with a countervailing duty except oats which remain dutiable at 10 cents a bushel and oatmeal at 32 cents a hundred pounds. Citrus fruits were unchanged.

PISTOL "TOTER" JAILED.

Michael Ellipon, a foreigner of Enterprise, is serving a sentence of six months in the county jail for unlawfully carrying a revolver. He confessed to Justice G. W. Harrison and Constable E. W. Wilcox brought him to the county jail Sunday evening.

TARIFF MEASURE TO GO TO CAUCUS

MONEY

For Federal Buildings in the State Will Probably Be Available July 1.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Provision is made in the sundry civil bill, which has been agreed upon by the Senate and House and sent to the president for his approval, for the carrying on of work on several public buildings in West Virginia. Some of them have not been commenced and others have not been completed. But the amounts appropriated in the bill will enable each of them to go ahead with the work, the money being available the first of July, if the president signs the bill. The cities provided for in the bill and the amounts for each are as follows: Elkins, \$35,000; Fairmont, \$40,000; Grafton, \$45,000; Moundsville, \$10,000; Point Pleasant, \$10,000; Sistersville, \$40,000. This bill was passed at the last session of the last Congress, but President Taft vetoed it before leaving the White House because of the provision in it that no part of the money appropriated by the bill should be used to prosecute violations of the Sherman anti-trust law by farmers organizations or labor organizations. It is expected that President Wilson will approve the bill. The same bill carries some \$2,000,000 appropriations for the continuance of the work of improving the Ohio river, both by continuing work on locks and dams already started and by authorizing the beginning of work on new locks and dams. Probably half of that amount is expended on locks and dams in West Virginia.

Charles Long of Hornor avenue, left Monday morning for a week's visit to Buffalo and Niagara Falls and he will visit Washington and other points before returning home.

STATE RATE LAW UPHELD BY COURT

WHITE

Voluntarily Goes to Federal Court and Gives Bond of \$1,000 to Answer.

CHARLESTON, June 16.—John P. White, president of the United Mine Workers of America, voluntarily appeared today in federal court here and gave bond of \$1,000 for his appearance November 18 on an indictment charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. J. N. Carnes, of the Citizens National Bank, of this city, was his surety. Arrangements have been made by counsel to argue June 18 a demurrer to the indictments recently returned which named nineteen officials of the Mine Workers' Union.

NOT TO ATTEND.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—President Wilson does not plan to attend the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the battle of Gettysburg on the battlefield next month. He will be at the summer White House at Cornish, N. H., over July 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace C. Gray and daughter, Miss Katherine, of New York City, will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Haymaker next week to attend the Haymaker-Lynch wedding which will be celebrated Tuesday evening in the First Methodist Episcopal church.

Some Day This Week after Six Weeks of Work by Sub-Committees.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—After six weeks of work on the Underwood tariff bill, Democratic leaders of the Senate have nearly completed their task and will have the revised measure ready for the party caucus some day this week.

Majority members of the finance committee met today to begin consideration of the sub committee's report on the agricultural schedule. Little time would be taken, it was said, because the entire Democratic membership already has conferred on the changes on cattle and agricultural raw materials which are to go on the free list with a countervailing duty provision.

SOFT COAL RATES

Are Held to Be Low and May Be Increased Ten Cents Now.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—Freight tariff cancelling through rates and routes on soft coal from West Virginia and Kentucky mines across the Great Lakes to Milwaukee and other northwestern destinations were ordered withdrawn today by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Operation of the proposed tariff would have resulted in the application of alleged prohibitory rates closing routes which have been opened for many years. Existing rates were held to be low and the carriers are permitted to increase them ten cents a ton.

CREW IS SAFE.

CHICAGO, June 16.—The steamer, Jesse Spaulding, which was in a collision on Lake Superior early yesterday, arrived at Sault Ste. Marie today with its bow stove in but with the crew safe, according to a telegram received here today from its captain, L. A. Garn.

RELATIVE TO PASSENGER FARES AND FREIGHT SHIPMENTS ON RAILROADS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—Validity of two-cent passenger laws and maximum freight rates in Missouri, West Virginia and Arkansas were upheld by the Supreme Court of the United States today in another series of decisions in the noted state rate cases. No decision was announced in the Kentucky case. In the Missouri case the great majority of rates contested by the railroads as confiscatory were held valid. State freight rates established in Oregon also were approved. All claims that the state laws attacked interfered with interstate commerce were swept aside following the precedent set in the Minnesota decision a week ago.

In a majority of the Missouri cases and in the Arkansas case the court held that railroads had presented too general data on which to base a claim that their property was being taken without compensation through the operation of the new rates. Justice Hughes said that the question of interference with interstate commerce was decided in favor of West Virginia for the reason assigned in the Minnesota rate decision. No question of confiscation was presented in the West Virginia case. The West Virginia rate case consisted of a suit brought by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company to restrain the enforcement of the two-cent passenger fare law of West Virginia passed in

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Rumors Are Discredited But Much Anxiety is Felt at Charleston.

UNION MEN DENY

That a Strike Has Been Sanctioned by the United Mine Workers.

CHARLESTON, June 16.—Rumors of war in the Paint creek and Cabin creek district today came to Charleston, where the Senate mine investigating committee was in session. Only the most meager information was available here but reports filtered through from the hills that the Cabin creek miners in part had at least renewed the strike and that the Paint creek workers were against considering again quitting work.

It was definitely established that miners' meetings were held there yesterday. Two on Cabin creek were reported to have voted not to return to work today. It was stated, however, that the men who had failed to go into the mines this morning were few in number and that the disturbance was not serious. One meeting on Paint creek, it was reported, took no definite action and the representative of the Paint creek operators declared that eighty per cent of their men were at work today.

Great Anxiety. It was generally accepted that no serious outbreak had occurred but there was considerable anxiety over the effect that the renewal of trouble on the creek might have on the New river district a few miles away, where 15,000 men have been considering a strike order. A miners' convention had been planned on New river this week and it was feared that the trouble in the creek would precipitate a general walkout.

Union officials here said that they had sanctioned no strike order in the creek.

COMMITTEE BUSY.

The committee today continued the taking of a vast amount of testimony as to conditions in the field before the strike began. A score of miners testified that the trouble was principally caused by the activity of the mine guards.

Elizabeth Fish, a nineteen-year-old girl, described how a party of guards had forced her and another girl to wade Cabin creek at the point of guns meantime taunting them with obscene remarks.

FEELING IS VERY BITTER AND MUTTERINGS HEARD

CHARLESTON, June 16.—With feeling between miners and mine operators again keyed up to a high pitch, the Senate committee prepared today to call upon the mine operators for their side of the controversy.

The ex-mine guards, detectives and special agents and keen-eyed miners and union organizers thronged the lobbies of the hotels where the committee was in session and crowded the room where the hearing was being held.

Operators Contradict Miners. Contradiction and explanation of the stories told all last week by the men and women who lived through what former Governor Glasscock called a reign of terror in the strike district, was the program of the operators and they had witnesses on hand to prove their case. The committee urged that the number of witnesses be held down to the lowest possible figure but the attorneys for the operators insisted that their case called for a great mass of testimony.

Only Senators Swanson, Martine and Kenyon were on hand to begin today's hearings, Senators Borah and Shields having returned to Washington last week.

Bitter Resentment. Glances of bitter resentment and an occasional muttered word among the scores of rough men gathered about the committee's hotel today bore witness to the smoldering ill feeling that still prevails here.

Before the case for the operators was commenced the attorneys for the miners were permitted to call a number of witnesses.

H. W. Adkins said he saw a group of guards climb the hills above Holly Grove the morning of February 8 and a few minutes later, he said, shots were fired off the hills into the miners' camp in Holly Grove, Under

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BATHING IN DAM IS FORBIDDEN BY LAW

And Water and Sewer Board is Having Notices Posted at the Dams.

The water works and sewerage board is causing printed notices to be posted along either bank of the city reservoir from Dam No. 1 at the city pumping station to Dam No. 2 located at Lynch's mine, directing public attention to the following ordinances:

Article 6. No person shall deposit or throw any nightsoil, filth, dead animal or carcass into, or in any manner pollute the water in the West Fork river above the intake pipes at the city pumping station.

Article 7. No person shall put filth, or animal matter, into any city reservoir, or bathe therein, or do any injury thereto.

Any person violating the above ordinances shall be liable to a fine of not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$20.00, and shall in addition thereto be liable for all costs and damages accruing from such violation.

From an aesthetic and sanitary point of view the practice of bathing in the city reservoir from which the city obtains its supply of water for drinking purposes is most objectionable. If the practice of bathing is of actual injury only in so far as it may affect patrons of the water department imaginatively, this feature is not to be disregarded, for there is no doubt that many thousands of people actually have thought themselves into the grave.

The water board is doing everything within its power to furnish a water supply that is pure and wholesome and it should have the support of citizens of the community generally, especially those residing on the catchment area in the strict compliance and enforcement of its rules relating to the pollution of its supply.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

An order of reference has been made in the cause of Cree M. Bartlett and others against Alonzo H. Booth et al in the circuit court.

CITIZENS OBJECT TO SCHOOL HOUSE

At Northview on Ground That Limit of Law Would Be Exceeded.

Residents of Coal district in and around Northview are objecting to what is believed by them to be intention of the board of education of the district to let the contract for a public school building there at a price that will exceed the limit of its resources as prescribed by law. The matter has been laid before the state tax commissioner.

The question has stirred up so much controversy there that members of the board have resigned. W. P. Jenkins resigned last week as president of the board and A. P. Morrison, county superintendent, appointed Mr. Ishenteller of Northview. Mr. Pew resigned as secretary and at a meeting of the board Monday morning Carl Lawson, the district superintendent, was elected secretary. The board adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning for the purpose, it is stated, of awarding the contract for the school building. What action will be taken by citizens as to this has not been divulged.

M. O. Davis and H. H. Schutte recently wired the state tax commissioner against the erection of the proposed building at the lowest bid received, which was about \$51,000, and asked intervention. The state tax commissioner replied as follows:

"Mr. Green, of your board of education, and Mr. Morrison, your county superintendent, were here Monday. I then stated to them my position as this: that the board of

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At the End of Fierce Engagement in Which Americans Are Killed.

PURSUIT TO BE HOT

General in Command of Victors is Enthusiastic in Praising Soldiers.

MANILA, P. I., June 16.—Complete route of the rebellious Moros on Mount Bagasag was accomplished by the American forces during the night with the loss of six men killed and seven wounded. Reports of the engagement reached here by wireless from the island of Jolo are but meager. All of the Americans killed were members of the several companies of scouts.

In the first advance upon the mountain last week when the Moros were nearly dislodged from their position, six Americans were also then killed. The number of the dead among the Moros is not known.

Last night's battle began just before dawn. The fighting was fierce but the Americans were so determined that the Moros at last stole away and left the mountain clear. They are now at large and will be pursued ceaselessly.

General John J. Pershing, commanding the department of Mindanao, is leading the forces and is enthusiastic in his praise of the conduct of his men.

BILL

Introduced by Sutherland to Put into Effect Findings of Claims Court.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Congressman at Large Howard Sutherland has introduced a bill to carry into effect the findings of the court of claims in the case of the trustees of the Presbyterian church of Huttonsville.

Congressman Moss has introduced a bill providing for the payment of a pension to Richard McNeely and one for an increase of the pension now paid to A. G. Dyke.

OFFICIAL TOASTMASTER

At the Historic Dinner at Wheeling Will Be Congressman Sutherland.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—Congressman at Large Howard Sutherland feels highly honored over having been selected as toastmaster at the official banquet to be given at Wheeling in connection with the semi-centennial celebration this week. He has accepted the invitation and will preside over the historic dinner.

FIDUCIARY

Affairs Are Looked after by the County Court at Monday Sessions.

Mrs. Mary L. Tetrick's will was probated before the county court Monday. John B. Strother qualified to execute the will with Ray L. Strother surety on a bond of \$3,000. The appraisers of the estate are O. C. Helmick, J. F. Plant and Ray L. Strother.

Oscar L. Probst qualified as administrator of the estate of John Bise with bond at \$120 and Mary E. Bise surety. The appraisers named are John Patton, George W. Bland and A. B. Jarvis. The will of W. Bruce Ooston was presented to the court to be probated.

Clarence L. Bond qualified as administrator of the estate of O. T. Bond with bond at \$3,000 and the Fidelity and Deposit Company surety. Lloyd Stout, Lee Curry and Burgett Swisher were named to appraise the estate.

EARLY CAR

And Numerous Others Will Be Run to Norwood for Lot Sale.

The Willison and Dennison Company, which will sell the great addition of Norwood tomorrow, announces that the first cars to Norwood will leave the corner of Third and Main streets at 7:30 a. m. Special as well as regular cars will run all day to the ground.

The indications are that there will be a big rush for these lots, as there will be some fine bargains for purchasers in this property. With every \$100 worth of lots or more purchased there will be given away \$100 worth of stock in the land company, something never offered purchasers of realty here. The car fare to the ground is only five cents.

The terms of sale, prices and all information will be on a card in the center stake of each lot so that any purchaser may know all the conditions surrounding the sale.

CROPS BEHIND

As Shown by the Crop Reporter, a Federal Government Publication.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—The department of agriculture in its crop report for June states that few crops in West Virginia are in as good condition as they were at the same period last year. Some of them are behind the average for years. The condition of wheat and oats is not so good, although rye and clover seem to be better than last year. Alfalfa and pasturage are quoted as in better condition than last year, while hay, including all tame varieties, is not so good as last year.

MAIL

Affairs in the State as Just Passed on in Washington City.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—Hundred, Wetzel county, has a new postmaster, W. E. Hamilton having been appointed under civil service regulations to succeed J. M. Franklin, who resigned.

Several new kinds of new mail service have been established in West Virginia to start July 1, 1913. Train service will be established from Keyser by Ridgeville and Burlington to Twin Mountain, over the Twin Mountain and Potomac railroad, a distance of twenty-seven miles and return six times a week.

Electric railway service will be established from Sistersville to Pursley and Kidwell to Middlebourne, a distance of eleven miles, mail to be carried twice daily in each direction and twice on Sunday.

James W. Rowe has been awarded the contract for carrying the mail between Lester and Glen White, Raleigh county, at \$468 a year.

B. A. Robinson and S. O. Bird have been awarded the contract for screen wagon service between the railroad stations and the postoffice at Charleston and John E. Cook has been awarded the contract for similar work at Parkersburg.

Earl Pepper, of Morgantown, was a prominent Sunday evening visitor here.