

PRIMARY BILL IS YET TO WEATHER NEW RING PLOT

Measure to Be Reported With One Amendment Which Will Start Row

Change in Senatorial Provision Will Force Concurrent Action on Measure

Machine Forces Plan Final Fight to Keep Law From Joint Passage

By George Van Smith

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, March 5.—By a vote of 4 to 4 the assembly committee decided tonight to report the Wright-Stanton direct primary bill out amended to provide for a district advisory vote on United States senators instead of the state wide vote plan as passed by the senate. Pending a conference between Assemblymen Hinkle and Drew, touching the advisability of making a minority report, the majority report will be held up.

Drew went home yesterday afternoon, but before leaving said that he would be willing to stand for the district vote on United States senators if no other attempts to shoot the bill full of holes were made, and if Drew is of the same opinion when Hinkle communicates with him by telephone tomorrow, there will probably be no minority report. If there is to be no minority report the bill will be reported in tomorrow and the amendments adopted, the bill made a special order for Monday or Tuesday and be back to the senate for concurrence not later than Wednesday.

Hinkle Stands Fast

Hinkle and Drew participated in an independent caucus which declared for the bill as it was passed by the senate, and Hinkle refused tonight to back down from his position until he should be released by the men with whom he entered into an agreement to pass the bill as it came to the house.

No attempt was made tonight to inject a majority or fixed plurality scheme. Johnson presented his amendments for that purpose last night and the committee lined up against them at tonight's meeting. Aside from the purely mechanical amendments the advisory senatorial vote was the only material amendment offered.

The committee was unanimously in favor of the typographical corrections and equally of one mind in the matter of allowing candidates to agree to be bound by the platforms of their several parties. Leeds, Rech, Hinkle and Pugh voted for the advisory vote amendments. Johnston of Contra Costa and Webber, democrat, who voted for the same amendments last night, were absent. Drew is ill in Fresno, and Hopkins, democrat, is indisposed in San Francisco. All of which, reduced to its simplest form, leaves Hinkle alone to battle for the bill as it passed the senate.

Instruct Legislators

If the assembly amendments are adopted, legislators will be instructed in the matter of United States senators by their respective assembly and senatorial districts and the candidate who receives the popular vote of his party in a majority of the districts which elect legislators of his political faith will be the caucus nominee of his party.

The adoption of the district advisory plan by the assembly will precipitate a row in the senate over concurrence. Some of the machine men who worked day and night to defeat the bill in the upper house in anticipation of the assembly's action are preparing now to fight concurrence, with the hope that the measure can be thrown into conference and finally beaten.

Up to the Republicans

Against their efforts are the interests of the republican party. The republicans can not accept responsibility for the defeat of the direct primary bill. The Wright-Stanton bill is the only measure before the legislature. The session will end in two weeks and party leaders admit frankly enough that adjournment without the enactment of the direct primary bill means party disaster.

"Responsibility for the enactment of the direct primary law rests on the republican party. The bill must pass, and will pass."

Lieutenant Governor Warren Porter is at least in the same frame of mind, and is of opinion that if the assembly does amend the bill that the senate should concur in the amendments.

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"EGG" NOTED SOCIALIST

James Kier Hardie Driven From Platform Amid Disorder

OXFORD, Eng., March 5.—At a meeting of the University Fabian Society in the town hall here tonight James Kier Hardie, socialist member of parliament, who was to have been the principal speaker, was unable to gain a hearing because of the hostile demonstrations of the undergraduates.

Amid scenes of the greatest disorder firecrackers were exploded, automobile horns were blown, there were shouts and bursts of song by the students, eggs and oranges were thrown and the platform was stormed. Many free fights occurred.

The proctor of the university appealed in vain to the undergraduates to give Hardie a hearing, but they refused and the meeting eventually was broken up.

RICH WIDOW IS TO BE BRIDE OF HER CHAUFFEUR

Mrs. Van Voorhies of Sacramento, at 56, to Marry Man Who Drives Auto

Prospective Groom Only 30, and an Expert in Handling Car

Elderly Bride Worth Half Million and Prominent in Society of the Capital City

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SACRAMENTO, March 5.—Society circles of this city received a severe shock tonight when it became known that Mrs. Georma M. Van Voorhies, the widow of A. A. Van Voorhies, a pioneer harnessman of Sacramento, and worth \$500,000, is to become the bride of her chauffeur, Arnold G. Patterson. The license authorizing their marriage was secured by Patterson late this afternoon, just before the county clerk's office closed, and, according to his affidavit, Mrs. Van Voorhies is 56 years of age and he is 30.

The Date Not Yet Set

Inquiry at the home of Patterson brought forth the information that the date of the wedding had not been set, but that the ceremony would not take place tonight. Mrs. Van Voorhies refused to discuss the matter and was not at home to newspapermen.

Even the most intimate friends of Mrs. Van Voorhies knew nothing of her betrothal to her young "mahout," and the greatest surprise, bordering on incredulity, was evinced by them when first informed of her intended marriage. She had never spoken much of Patterson in their presence other than in the discussion of touring trips and in declaring what a capable auto driver he was, and no one suspected that Cupid was building a romance about the Van Voorhies big touring car.

A Leader in Society

The prominence of Mrs. Van Voorhies in social circles here and at the bay adds to the surprise at her proposed union. She comes from one of the oldest families in Sacramento and by her husband's will was left an estate worth \$500,000.

LITTLE BOY WITH GUN PURSUES HIGHWAYMEN

Brave Charlie Rhinehart Aids in Capture of Robber

LOS ANGELES, March 5.—Charlie Rhinehart, a 10 year old boy of West Glendale, a suburb of Los Angeles, showed his resourcefulness and courage recently when with a loaded shotgun he trailed two men accused of highway robbery under he succeeded in attracting the notice of a passerby, with whose assistance one of the men was chased into a swamp and compelled to surrender at the point of the gun. The other man escaped.

Charlie saw two men beating a man into insensibility in the road near his father's winery, and seizing a shotgun followed the robbers. He attracted the attention of a man with a horse and wagon, with which vehicle they pursued and overtook the men.

Charlie then stood guard over the prisoner while his assistant went to the rescue of the victim, Mark Carrig, a farmhand.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BILL MOVING ALONG

British Measure Urged as Benefit to All Classes

LONDON, March 5.—The daylight savings bill passed its second reading in the house of commons today by 130 votes to 94.

This bill was drafted to promote the earlier use of daylight in certain months yearly by putting forward the clock 20 minutes on four successive Sundays in April and by reversing the process on the four Sundays in September.

The bill, it has been argued, would be of great benefit to all classes by giving the people just so much more sunlight in which to have recreation, while the wage earner would retire earlier and thereby save the expense of light.

GOTHAM SUFFRAGETTES TO CONVERT PARK ROW

Will Talk to Newspapermen at 2:30 o'clock in Morning

NEW YORK, March 5.—The New York suffragettes have organized a crusade for the furthering of their propaganda among the newspapermen who work on the morning publications. The opening meeting of what promises to be a long campaign will be held in Park Row, near the Brooklyn bridge, Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock in the morning.

The suffragettes will gather in automobiles and a half dozen speakers will make vigorous demands for votes for women.

GONE, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN



OFFICER FALTERS, DECKHAND ACTS

Man Proves Mettle When Emergency Arises During Fire Drill on Ferry

Aquatic farce, that came near to being something more serious, enlivened the 9 o'clock trip of the ferry steamer Encinal from this side to the Oakland mole yesterday morning. An occasion was also provided to demonstrate that a deckhand, whose time is chiefly occupied in polishing brass, may prove a better man in any emergency than an officer.

Fire drill was held on board. There was a sudden scurrying of deckhands to fire plugs and hose reels, much to the shock of passengers who had not been warned of the exercise.

Then, as a great scene, the passengers were given the treat of seeing a lifeboat launched. The boat was swung low on the davits and three deckhands and an officer clambered in. The boat was lowered into the water.

Immediately a salt water geyser spouted from the bottom of the boat. The plug had been left out of its hole. If there had been a fire on the ferry boat and panic stricken passengers had jumped into the small boat the little craft might immediately have sunk, for it rapidly filled with water. The three deckhands and the officer didn't know for a minute what to make of the geyser. They straddled the rising flood while the boat sank deeper and deeper in the bay. The passengers watching from the deck feared a tragedy.

An officer was in command. He struggled around and tried to get the small boat back to the side of the Encinal. But something went wrong with his directions and no progress was made. Then a brass polishing deckhand assumed command. "Get back and steer the danged tub," he said, shoving the officer toward the tiller post. "I'll run this end."

Meekly the officer retreated before the deckhand. The deckhand grasped the rope of a davit and soon had the waterlogged boat pulled out of the water.

Then he went back to polishing brass and the officer resumed his office.

CHILD, THOUGHT DEAD, OPENS EYES IN COFFIN

Little One Returns to Life After Three Days in Casket

EL PASO, Tex., March 5.—With the mourners gathering to attend the funeral, the 2 months old daughter of C. C. Harrington of Orange, Tex., declared dead three days ago, and who had exhibited no signs of life since that time, moved in her tiny coffin, gasped and opened her eyes. After the child had been declared dead by the physicians she was prepared for burial, but the funeral was postponed until today because of the condition of Mrs. Harrington, who was suffering from shock. The child is pronounced out of danger tonight. The coffin has been sent back to the undertakers.

POLO TEAM LOSES PONIES AND RIDER

Mrs. Francis J. Carolan Refuses Permission for Her Husband to Play

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

CORONADO, March 5.—Despite the refusal of Mrs. Francis J. Carolan to allow either her husband or the ponies from the Carolan stables to participate in the coming polo tournament the affair will lose none of its brilliancy.

Burlingame had perfected its plans to send two teams to the tournament. The second team, consisting of Captain Guest, George A. Cameron, J. H. S. Tobin and Francis J. Carolan, depended for its mounts to a large extent upon the Carolan stables.

When everything was in readiness and the trophies were dancing before the vision of the Burlingame contingent Mrs. Carolan interposed an objection, declaring emphatically that not only would she not honor the tournament with her presence, but that she would not consent to her husband or the ponies taking part in it.

Reason Purely Feminine

Her reason was purely feminine—unknown. Some rumored that she objected to the playing of one of the players, others that one of the team had made a jarring remark to Miss Katherine Page Brown, a guest of the Carolans.

It was thought at first that the absence of the Carolan ponies would break up the tournament, but it developed yesterday that the Burlingame teams were able to secure ponies enough and to spare. The regular team, consisting of B. M. Tobin, T. A. Driscoll, John Lawson and W. S. Hobart, is independent of outside stables, the individual members having large stables of their own.

Second Team Hampered

While the sudden change of ponies undoubtedly will hamper the second Burlingame team it will in nowise affect the tournament proper, as Burlingame has depended all along for victory on the first team.

The English team this year is exceptionally strong and includes two international players, Major A. M. Rotheram and F. A. Gill. Many of the players have taken up their quarters in Coronado already and society from all over the state is fast following on their heels. There is a faint hope that Mrs. Carolan may be induced to change her mind and attend.

DAMAGES AWARDED FOR SUGAR IMPORT FRAUD

American Sugar Refining Company Guilty of Misweighing

NEW YORK, March 5.—A verdict awarding the United States government \$134,116 damages in unpaid customs duties from the American sugar refining company was rendered today by a jury which heard charges of misweighing sugar imports.

COEDS IN TWILIGHT REVEL ON CAMPUS

Clad Like Men, Dainty Brigade Executes Serpentine at Stanford

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, March 5.—Imitating to the very details of clothing the men of the university, a throng of pretty coeds executed in the moonlight last night a complete duplication of the regular college rallies, a spectacle unique in college annals. Winding gracefully in the moonlight to the discordant din of combs, tin horns and wooden rattles, the skylarking coeds carried out a big serpentine on the lawn of Robie hall, following a celebration in the gymnasium. Nearly every girl in the university took part. To the last detail the gay stunt was in complete duplication of the regular men's rallies.

The affair was intended as a sendoff to the varsity basketball team of the women students which will meet the players of the University of California tomorrow morning on the local courts, and as such stirred up more enthusiasm than has ever been experienced here by the women students.

It was all to be secret, of course, and men were strictly taboo. But when the girls were all missed from the usual places on the "quad," the men scented that something was afoot. The girls were soon found at their revels.

As the dainty brigade executed a particularly graceful movement in the serpentine they were dismayed to hear a din of applause from groups of hidden lads about the lawn. The coeds beat a hasty retreat.

The affair was elaborate and details were not spared. The stunts began at an early hour last night.

The women crowded all the available space in Robie gym before the time announced for the opening of the function, and when all was in readiness the basketball team made its appearance and marched into the hall amid a scene of wild enthusiasm. The athletes were greeted with showers of confetti and followed by a band of prominent senior and junior women, who played on combs, tin horns and dispensans.

Takeoffs were given on the men students who are prominent and Dr. Jordan and faculty speakers were impersonated. The yell leaders, Miss M. Howell, '10, of Los Angeles; Miss M. Hyatt, '08, and Miss M. James, '10, were active in the indoors performance and were garbed in white blouses and red ties similar in effect to the costumes worn by the varsity leaders.

Mrs. E. W. Allan, dean of the women, was present and made a speech, as did Miss H. Spaulding, Miss R. E. Lewis, '09, of San Francisco; Miss S. Hyatt, '07; Miss S. Bundy and Miss M. Monteth.

Following the singing and yelling in the gymnasium the girls flocked out of the building and executed their unique serpentine on the lawn of Robie hall in the moonlight to the music of the tin band.

EXPENSES OF STATE INCREASE

Committee on Ways and Means Estimates Government Cost in Detail

Proposed Bill Carries Appropriations That Total Over Twelve Million

State Tax Rate Will Be Raised About Seven Cents, It Is Estimated

Outlook Now Is That Legislature Will Adjourn by March 20

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, March 5.—It will cost \$9,558,295 for the maintenance of the state of California for the next two years. This is the estimate of the ways and means committee of the assembly, which today presented the general appropriations bill. In addition to this there will be special appropriations aggregating nearly \$3,000,000. This will make the cost of the present legislature \$12,558,295. The general appropriations bill exceeds that of two years ago by \$1,524,606. It is the largest ever reported by the ways and means committee. The great increase in the expense of operating the executive, the legislative and the judicial departments of the state is charged to the increase in salaries, the increased cost of living in the prisons and asylums and the establishment of additional schools and other institutions.

Every elective state official of the executive and the legislative departments of the state has had his salary increased since the last general appropriations bill was adopted two years ago.

Increase in Tax Rate

According to a state official who is familiar with the situation, the budget will necessitate a state tax rate of 45 or 47 cents. The present rate is 40 per cent, with the expense of running the state about a million and a half less for the two years just ending.

That there will be any material changes in the present bill, either on the floor of the assembly or in the senate, is unlikely, as Chairman Robert L. Beardlee of the ways and means committee has carefully gone over every item with Governor James N. Gillett, and the bill as presented to the assembly today meets with his approval.

Unpleasant facts staring forth from the confusing array of figures are that the state expects to pay \$866,550 for the maintenance of the state university, the normal schools and the polytechnic schools during the next two years, while \$2,801,500 will be expended for the support of the state hospitals and asylums and \$1,658,150 for the maintenance of the prisons and reformatory institutions. True it is that the state university will also receive a 3 per cent tax instead of a 2 per cent tax hereafter.

Department Appropriations

The bill provides for the various departments as follows:

Salaries—Salaries and mileage of senators and mileage of assemblymen	\$42,200
Pay of officers and clerks of senate	30,000
Pay of officers and clerks of assembly	30,000
Contingent expenses of senate	5,000
Contingent expenses of assembly	7,000
Total	\$137,200
Judicial—Salaries of justices of the supreme court	112,000
Salaries of justices of district courts of appeals	120,000
State's portion of salaries of judges of superior courts	445,000
Other expenses	291,340
Total	\$884,340
Executive—governor's office	105,000
Lieutenant governor	8,000
Board of examiners	44,180
Secretary of state's office	255,230
State capital grounds	38,800
State controller	69,000
State treasurer	41,200
Attorney general	79,100
Surveyor general	43,010
Superintendent of public instruction	58,040
Military purposes	38,000
State library	14,400
State printing office	33,250
State board of health	73,400
Insurance commission	13,400
Railroad commission	38,000
Code commission	11,225
State board of forestry	29,900
California redivid park	10,000
State engineering department	135,800
State mining bureau	73,500
State board of charities and corrections	12,000
State hospitals and insane asylums	2,750,000
State commission in lunacy	47,500
Institution for the deaf and blind	140,000
Home for adult blind	98,400
State prisons and reform schools	1,038,150