

MONEY BILL IS DELAYED IN HOUSE

Plans to Get Measure to President Today Hampered by Series of Incidents

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Application from national banks for membership in the new federal reserve system piled into the treasury today. Some came from Salt Lake City, Utah; Pasadena and Colton, Cal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Although administration leaders in congress bent every effort for a speedy approval of the currency bill today, that it might be hurried to the White House for President Wilson's signature before night, a series of delays developed to hamper their progress.

It was 2 o'clock before the unanimous consent was given in the house to take up the conference report.

The members of the conference committee, which labored until dawn presented a perfected measure, which followed closely the lines laid down by President Wilson.

ACCEPT SENATE FUNDAMENTALS
The conferees agreed on practically all of the fundamentals of the measure as it passed the senate, including the provision that not less than eight nor more than twelve regional banks should be created.

The reserve requirements for banks entering the system, which had been slightly let down by the senate, were strengthened, an amendment allowing the use of the present banknotes and the proposed new federal reserve notes in bank reserves being stricken out.

The last struggle resulted from the administration's determination that the comptroller of the currency should be given a place on the federal reserve board which will control the new system.

The conference accepted the senate amendment increasing the gold reserve behind the new notes to be issued from 33 1/2 per cent as fixed in the house bill, to 40 per cent with a graduated tax on depletion as arranged in the senate. It was understood that President Wilson and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo let the conferees know that they favored an increase.

A compromise plan for retiring the

Fire Horses Respond to False Alarm; Lost 3 Hours

TWO Berkeley fire horses were lost for three hours in the storm early today. Falling wires caused a false alarm. The horses of engine company No. 2 at Shattuck and Durant avenues ran out with their bridles before firemen could stop them. They were recovered after a long search.

Other apparatus was called to Addison and West streets by a false alarm.

Two per cent bonds on which the present currency is based, was written into the bill. Under the plan \$26,000,000 worth of these bonds will be purchased each year, beginning two years after the system is placed in operation by the new regional banks from the present national banks. On one-half of its holdings each regional bank may issue currency. The remainder will be refunded in three per cent thirty year treasury notes, which the banks must agree to renew each year for thirty years.

Another senate amendment that was defeated was the proposal to guarantee bank deposits.

The chairman of the federal guarantee of bank deposits from the new currency bill is to be followed soon by the introduction of a separate bill to establish such a guarantee. Chairman Owen of the senate banking committee expects to introduce it early next month.

BANKERS WAITING FOR COPY OF BILL

"I think every bank in the country will apply for membership in the Reserve association," said Herbert Fleischacker, president of the Anglo London Paris National bank, this morning.

"Of course," added Mr. Fleischacker, "we haven't seen a copy of the currency bill yet as it finally passed and have taken no action yet as to applying for membership in the Reserve association, but we undoubtedly will make application, and I am sure that all the banks in the United States will take similar action."

"It all depends upon how the bill goes through," said I. W. Hellman Jr., president of the Wells Fargo Nevada National bank. "We don't know much about the bill as it was finally passed and we shall have to wait a few days until we can make a study of it."

William H. Crocker, president of the Crocker National bank, made a statement to about the same effect.

Washington Stops "White Slave" Movies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The authorities stopped the production of "White Slave" moving pictures at two local theaters yesterday. This action was taken after a board of censors had decided that the films were altogether too "bad" for Washington.

THUGS KILL MAN WITH KNOCKOUT DROPS

Victim Left to Die in Street; Many Holdups, Robberies and Shootings Reported

Another death was added early today to the list of bandit victims, when one man, the victim of knockout drops, died at the harbor emergency hospital.

The name E. R. McCall, written in his coat, was the only clue to his identity. He appeared to be a sailor or stevedore.

He was found unconscious at Kearny and Pacific streets by Patrolman Gracey. There were no papers in his pockets and no money.

In spite of drastic treatment by Dr. H. S. Anderson he never regained consciousness.

LAD SHOT TO DEATH

Coming on top of a record of nearly 30 burglaries and other robberies in two days his death is the second fatality since Saturday night, when Edward Driscoll, aged 17, was shot at his home, 1533 Clay street, by a burglar. He died at the central emergency hospital.

Jeff Crawford, living at the Monvion hotel, was held up and beaten early today in Polk street near Post.

Senseless, he was dragged into a lot, but the approach of an auto saved him a large sum.

A Chinese porter fired a shot early today at a man climbing through the transom of the entrance to the Hoffmann building, 617 Market street.

SHOOT AT WAITER

A bandit early today shot at Lubin Headington, a waiter in a restaurant at 1223 Polk street, when the latter tried to snatch back \$7 he had placed on the counter at the robber's order.

The thief fled without the money. "Breaking the window of C. G. Kleber's store at 99 Ninth street, thieves took \$175 worth of clothing.

Mrs. J. Jurgens of 2970 Howard street lost \$2.20 when a youth snatched her purse in Twenty-sixth street near Capp.

John Pirez and Edward Sweeney were arrested at Post and Kearny streets when Joseph Miller told Patrolman Wade they had taken his \$20 stickpin.

SIX WOMEN VICTIMS

Six women were among the latest complainants. Mrs. E. Seiler found a burglar in her home, 2234 Bush street, and he fled with \$50. The home of Mrs. George Hagens, 365 Buena Vista avenue, was robbed while she was away, as was that of Mrs. C. C. Chapman, 1508 Taylor street, jewelry being stolen from the latter. Forty dollars and four bottles of perfume were taken from the home of Mrs. S. Blair at 1209 California street, and jewelry from that of Miss A. L. Clayton at 3826 California street. Mrs. L. Bruden of 1352 Clement street was attacked by a footpad at Fourteenth avenue and Clement street.

Disturb Show and Are Fined in Court

For creating a disturbance last night at the Cort theater when Gaby Deslys appeared on the stage, Alice Hickman and her husband, John W. Hickman, who is a waiter, were ejected from the theater, arrested for disturbing the peace and this morning were called before Judge's Court. All Hickman alone appeared and was fined \$30, while his wife's cash bail of \$10 was declared forfeited.

Hawaiian Executive to Be Guest at Dinner

A dinner in honor of Governor L. E. Pinkham of Hawaii will be given at the Stewart hotel tonight by Charles A. Stewart, Miss Margaret Stewart and Dr. Joseph L. Howard. More than 100 prominent San Franciscans, including members of the civic government and the army and navy, have been invited to meet the governor.

TO DISCUSS TEMPERANCE

The Frances Willard Woman's Christian Temperance union will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Trinity Presbyterian church, Twenty-third and Capp streets. The program will consist of reminiscences of the temperance crusade.

GOSSIP ALONG GAS ROW

BUICK MAKES GOOD
Six cylinder motor cars have achieved another victory in the economy line. The remarkable performance of the Buick six, which made the run from San Francisco to Fresno on 9 1/2 gallons of gasoline, averaging 27.5 miles to the gallon for the entire distance, has served to show that the 1914 six cylinder models are not expensive to run.

J. J. Doyle, in fact, the official tester, states that not a single stop was made on the trip and that, despite the muddy condition of the roads during the muggy conditions of the week, the Buick car kept plugging away with such consistency that he was surprised to find out upon measuring the fuel in the tank that so little gasoline had been consumed.

PATHFINDER OFFICIAL HERE

W. C. Teasdale, president of the Motor Car Manufacturing company, holders of the Pathfinder "40," is a visitor in San Francisco. Teasdale is much pleased with California, and predicts a big season for 1914. He is here to look over the field and arrange for the shipment of as many 1914 models of Pathfinder cars as the local branch needs. Up to the present time the chief difficulty has been to get the cars to the coast. The new year Teasdale anticipates his San Francisco representatives that prompt shipments of cars in sufficient quantities to supply the demands of the public will be made from the factory.

TOWNE TO TEST LAW

The officers of the California State Automobile association wants all its members throughout the state north of the Tehachapi to withhold paying the license tax until notified to do so, if at all, until the courts have decided the constitutionality of the law providing for the extra tax on motor vehicles. Plans are now complete for testing the new law. Percy E. Towne, one of the consulting attorneys of the association, will be arrested and taken to the police court and given a jail sentence for contempt of court on habeas corpus proceedings. The case will be presented by Judge Fairs and Senator J. B. Steienson with whom will be associated A. Marsh, president of the Motor Car Dealers' association, and E. J. Lynch. It is expected that an early decision will be given by the supreme court as to whether the law is valid or not.

WEBB TO RULE ON FAIR JURORS' PAY

Attorney General to Decide if Women May Serve on Panel

Attorney General Webb will be called on to render an opinion as to whether women may legally be appointed grand jurors and be entitled to the regulation \$3 per diem as such. District Attorney Swart of San Mateo county, to whom the question was referred by County Auditor Unruh, refused to pass on the question as Judge Buck has decided that women might be members of the grand jury.

"I will say, however," said the district attorney this morning, "that the women have done excellent work. Politics has had no place in their deliberations and they have been fearless and progressive."

Rev. William Rader Lectures in Chicago

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—"In the making of a man there need be no special emphasis on thought or theology," said Rev. William Rader of San Francisco before the Sunday Evening club tonight.

"I have seen more orthodoxy in the penitentiary than in the churches. It is possible for a man to be sound in his doctrine and all wrong in his life. If I were to live my life over, I would not give so much time to reform as to the redemption of men."

Free Lunch in Church to Secure New Members

AURORA, Ill., Dec. 22.—As a result of the "go to church Sunday" campaign conducted here, more than 30,000 persons attended services throughout the day. A free lunch of coffee, sandwiches and cake was served at the First Methodist church following the afternoon service.

POSTMASTER JAILED ON CHARGE OF THEFT

Frank Brady, assistant postmaster at Scott Bar, Siskiyou county, was arrested today by United States Deputy Marshal Warner on a charge of embezzling \$250 in government funds. He was released on bonds.

"SNOW BABY'S" DEBUT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Miss Marie Peary, "the snow baby," daughter of the discoverer of the north pole, will make her bow to American society at a reception on January 2.

LOS ANGELES WARS ON SEAMEN'S BILL

"Disastrous to Pacific Coast Shipping," Declares the Chamber of Commerce

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—The Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce will take a prominent position in aiding the commercial interests of the Pacific coast in their fight against the La Follette seamen's bill, which is now before the house committee on merchant marine and fisheries, and which is regarded by commercial representatives here as one of the most drastic and injurious bills to Pacific coast shipping ever presented to congress.

"We have given the La Follette seamen's bill consideration," said A. W. Kinney, president of the chamber. "Our committee reported that the bill was one that would prove disastrous to shipping on the Pacific coast and we immediately wired our entire representation in congress asking them to secure the western representatives an adequate hearing in congress before the bill is given final consideration."

"We have received the promise of our senators and representatives that the men of the Pacific coast will be granted that privilege and we expect that there will be a strong delegation of those opposed to the bill."

Coloradan May Get Late J. H. Marble's Job

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Henry Clay Hall, former mayor of Colorado Springs, Colo., and once president of the Colorado State bar association, was considered for one of the vacancies on the interstate commerce commission at a conference today between President Wilson and Senator Thomas and Representative Seldomridge. It is believed that President Wilson will reappoint Commissioner Judson C. Clements of Georgia.

White Plague Cure Offered Government

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The United States public health service today began an investigation of the tuberculosis remedy said to have cured three consumptives who hiked 4,000 miles from Los Angeles to Washington to petition President Wilson to take this action. The specific is offered free to the government if it guarantees free treatment to sufferers of the disease.

Flying Head Down Is Easy Enough—Beachey

"How does it feel to fly with head down and feet up? Well, it's a queer sensation and pretty hard to describe, but I know this about it: since I commenced doing it last month in San Diego I have got so I like it." Lincoln Beachey thus described his feat this morning, with which he has thrilled thousands at the exposition grounds Sundays and which he will again give next Sunday at the aviation park.

"The only thing I have to be careful about is to be securely tied to my seat."

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- FOOTSTOOLS, of fumed oak, with leather tops. SPECIAL \$1.40
- SEWING TABLES, in all woods, and of various designs, up from \$10.50
- CARD TABLES of many styles from \$75.00 to a SPECIAL at \$1.90
- NEST OF FOUR TABLES, in mahogany. SPECIAL \$18.50
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- LEATHER ROCKERS or chairs at prices from \$22.50
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HEARTH-SIZE ORIENTAL RUGS AT HUGE PRICE REDUCTIONS

- \$25.00 Mosul Rugs, Special \$16.00
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- \$27.25 Khiva Rugs, Special \$17.00
- \$30.50 Mosul Rugs, Special \$25.00
- \$37.50 Mosul Rugs, Special \$25.00
- \$45.00 Cabistan, Special \$31.50
- \$65.00 Kermanshah, Special \$37.50
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