

ALBUQUERQUE MERCHANT MARINE BILL SHOULD BE PASSED

Subsidy Measure Is Necessary to Relieve the Government of "Present Staggering Losses" in Operation of the War-Built Merchant Fleet, Legislators Are Told

Washington, Nov. 21.—Enactment of the administration merchant marine bill was urged upon congress today by President Harding as necessary to relieve the government of present "staggering losses" in operation of the war-built merchant fleet and to establish a program of assured shipping to serve the nation in war and give a guaranty of commercial independence in time of peace.

Personally addressing a joint session of the house and senate, the executive declared an actual monetary saving to the government would result from the proposed law. He challenged every insinuation of favored interests and the enriching of the special few at the expense of the public treasury. The legislation, he asserted, automatically guarded against enrichment or perpetual bestowal.

"If success attend us we hope it will," he added, "inspire the nation to opportunity to earn remains and American transportation by sea is maintained."

The president said concern about American merchant marine policy was not limited "to our own domain," adding that the maritime complete accord with the opposition here to the pending measure. He declared those nations had a perfect right to such an accord, but stressed the American viewpoint which he said should be the viewpoint, "from which one sees American carriers at sea, the dependence of American commerce and American vessels for American reliance in the event of war."

Mr. Harding declared it would be most disastrous if a measure of "such transcending national importance" must have its fate depend on geographical, occupational, professional or commercial interests. A commercial eminence on the seas and ample agencies for the promotion to carrying of American commerce, he asserted, were of no less importance to the United States than the Missouri valley, the great northwest and the Rocky Mountain states than to the seaboard states and industrial communities of the Atlantic.

"It is a common cause, with its benefits commonly shared," he said. "If government aid is a fair term to apply to authorizations aggregating \$75,000,000 to promote good roads for market highways, the president added, it is equally fit to be applied to the maintenance and improvement of American market highways on the "salted seas."

As to present government operation of the shipping board fleet, Mr. Harding said there was the unavoidable task of wiping out a fifty million dollar annual loss, and losses aggregating "many hundreds of millions" were incurred on scrapped or scuttled ships. He called attention that the government ships were being worn out without any provision for replacement and that a program of surrender and sacrifice and the liquidation which, he declared, would be inevitable unless the proposed legislation were passed.

The text of President Harding's address in part to congress follows: "Late last February I reported to you relative to the American merchant marine, and recommended legislation which I deemed essential to promote our merchant marine and with it our national welfare. Other problems were pressing and other questions pending which need not be recited, the suggested legislation has not progressed beyond a favorable recommendation by the house committee. I am appealing for a program to diminish the burden we are already bearing."

When your executive government knows of public expenditures aggregating fifty millions annually, which it believes could be reduced by one-fourth, it is not a question of contracting an outlay to support our merchant shipping, because we are paying already, I am not making you a promise, but I am asking you to appraise its cash value. I am appealing for a program to diminish the burden we are already bearing."

But I have not properly portrayed all the current losses to the public this year. We are wearing out our ships without any provision for replacement. We are having these losses through deterioration now and are charging nothing against our capital account. But the losses are there and regrettably large under government operation than under private control. Only a few years of continued losses on capital account will make these losses through depreciation alone to exceed the fifty millions a year now drawn to cover losses in operation."

CLAIMED BY ENGLAND IDENTIFIED AS PAUL O. COUCH

Police Say Man Was Employed Last Spring at Local Cafe as Dishwasher; Disappeared Suddenly

Paul O. Couch is the man who was killed Monday night by Walton Snyder just after he had dashed out of the Snyder home at 107 South Fifth street. Positive identification of the body as that of Paul Couch was made early yesterday by Mrs. Lucy Ong Doo, proprietor of the New Republic cafe, at 122 West Central avenue. At the same time Couch was identified as a restaurant employe, the report being that he had worked as a dishwasher and dishwasher. Records at the Gleason Hotel, at 204 1/2 South Second street, show that Couch registered there Sunday night, as Paul Couch of Detroit, Mich., in the room which was occupied at the hotel the only article in the room excepting the fixtures, furniture and bedding was one sheet of note paper. He had evidently started to write a letter on this sheet of paper, as it showed, "Albuquerque, N. M. Dear:" This was evidently written by Couch, as the writing and that shown in the date book found on his person are identical.

Earlier yesterday, before Mrs. Ong Doo identified Couch, he was identified by two roomers at the Gleason. These two are George McCarthy and J. M. Trautt.

Mrs. Ong Doo said yesterday that Couch had come to the back door of the New Republic cafe Sunday night. She had recognized Couch as the man who had worked for her as dishwasher and sort of general "hunk" last spring and early in March. Couch had been to the cafe and given food.

She said yesterday that she did not at all distrust Couch when he last spring and that he had been in the hour was so late and the cafe had been closed she thought it better to send him elsewhere. So she gave him a dollar and told him to go. She said she had not seen him since Monday Couch had his meals at the New Republic.

Mrs. Ong Doo said that Couch had worked for her for some time last spring and that he had been entirely satisfactory. She added that she had considered him a man of integrity, had trusted him fully and could not conceive him having been a spy.

She also said that Couch was in Trinidad, Colorado, during the past summer, according to word she had received. She said that she had received a letter from Leo A. Romero, of Trinidad, Colorado, Trinidad, saying that Couch was then in Trinidad. Romero and Couch were friends, Mrs. Ong Doo says.

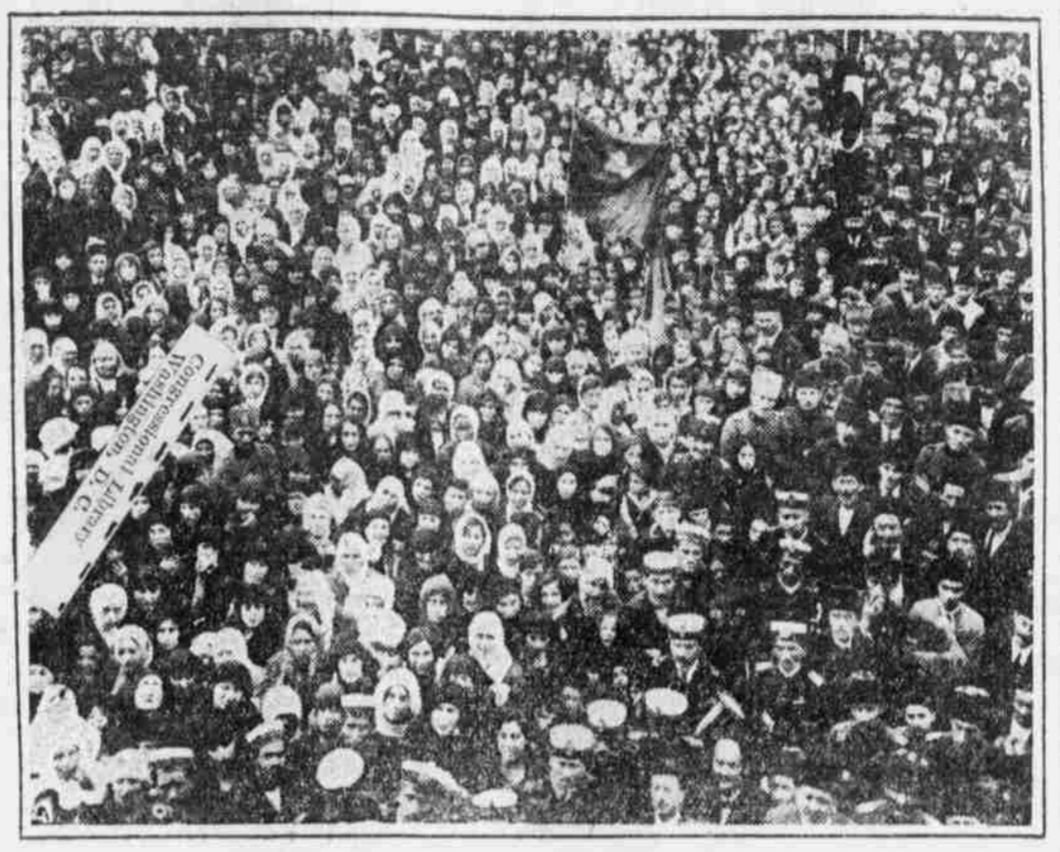
Police Inspector George Roddy called a coroner's jury of six men yesterday to examine into and report on the killing of Couch by Walton Snyder. This jury was composed of M. Schaefer, George Kauter, Jim Hidalgo, C. F. Baeck, P. G. Stevens and Jim Padilla. The jury exonerated Snyder. Following is the verdict rendered: "We, the undersigned jurors, sitting at the inquest of an unknown man, find that the deceased died from a shot fired from a .25 caliber pistol in the hands of Walton Snyder while the said deceased was in the act of burglarizing the home of D. W. Walsh."

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WALSH SUPPORTS HER CLAIM

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Veil Lowered by Turkish Women; Fair Sex Show Faces on Street



Turkish women on Constantinople street minus veils.

GEORGIA WOMAN TAKES THE OATH AS U. S. SENATOR

Mrs. W. H. Felton's Effort to "Blaze the Path for American Womanhood" Crowned With Success

Washington, Nov. 21.—Mrs. W. H. Felton of Georgia took the oath of office today as the first woman United States senator.

It was true that her term probably was the only one, but she was the only woman to take the oath of office in the history of the United States.

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DAVIS TENDERED PLACE ON STATE SUPREME BENCH

Is Offered the Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Justice Reynolds; Says He Has Not Decided

Special to The Journal Santa Fe, Nov. 21.—The post of associate justice of the New Mexico supreme court has been tendered to Justice S. B. Davis, Jr., who resigned from the supreme bench in September to enter the senate as United States senator.

Justice Davis is now sitting with the Colorado River commission. He said today he had not decided whether he would accept Gov. Mechem's appointment.

LIFTING DAM ON CAPITALISTS IS PLAN OF LENINE

No Fair Proposition From Interests Outside the Country Should Be Refused, He Says in Speech

Moscow, Nov. 21 (By the Associated Press).—The Soviet government must not be afraid to refuse concessions to foreign capitalists, Premier Lenin declared at a great meeting of the Moscow soviet in the grand opera house last night. Five thousand persons, the largest crowd that has been gathered here since his illness, crowded the auditorium.

He emphasized that Russia's legislation was so framed that it was quite possible for capitalists to engage in business here safely under almost normal conditions reaping fair profits for their undertakings.

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BACA EXPECTS CO-OPERATION IN LAWMAKING

Lieutenant Governor-Elect Looks for Senate to Assist in Passing Progressive Legislation.

Jose A. Baca of Las Vegas, who was elected lieutenant-governor at the recent state election, looks for some progressive and beneficial legislation to be passed at the coming session of the legislature.

Mr. Baca, who is a democrat, will preside over the state senate, which is composed of a majority of republicans. He said last night, shortly after his arrival here on a brief business visit, that he anticipates a considerable degree of co-operation between the republican senate and the democratic house.

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LANDS NOW HELD BY INDIANS ARE NOT IN DANGER

Senator Bursum Explains Workings of His Proposed Bill; Says It Will Work Justice to the Red Man

Senator H. O. Bursum of New Mexico, author of the Indian land grants bill, emphatic in his statement that the proposed law will not deprive the Indians of New Mexico of one foot of land, which they now possess. He declares that the bill is misunderstood, that it protects the Indian as well as the settler, and that it is intended to do justice to all persons concerned.

"The bill is fair," Senator Bursum said. "In the first place, the bill is a perfectly fair bill. There is no intention on the part of anyone to deprive the Indians of any of the lands situated within the so-called Pueblo grants, which means town grants. The ancestors of these non-Indians were living upon those lands, being recognized long before the present state of New Mexico was taken over from Mexico under the treaty subsequent to the Mexican war."

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M. CLEMENCEAU DELIVERS FIRST PUBLIC ADDRESS IN METROPOLIS

Militarists in Germany Already Are Preparing for Another War, French 'Tiger' Tells Audience

New York, Nov. 21 (By the Associated Press).—The militarists in Germany already are preparing another war, George Clemenceau, war premier of France, declared tonight in the first address of his American tour.

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PRESENT A TIME OF 'GREATEST CRISIS'

Former Premier Urges the United States to Renew Conversations With England and France

Germany must be established, Ludendorff and other German militarists were planning a coup against the democratic government there.

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AMERICA PLAYS BRIEF PART IN PEACE MEETING

Child Makes a Declaration of the Position of the Official Observers Representing the U. S.

Lausanne, Nov. 21.—The United States played a brief part in the peace conference today, when Richard Washburn Child, American ambassador to Italy, making a declaration before the assembled delegates of the position of the official observers representing America.

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2 MAJOR LEAGUERS ARE BARNSTORMING LANDS INFORMED

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Chicago, Nov. 21.—Investigation of reports that two major league baseball players are violating the rule regarding barnstorming by playing winter baseball on the Pacific coast was started today by Commissioner K. M. Landis, upon his return from the east.

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WEATHER

FOURCAST. Denver, Nov. 21.—New Mexico: Snow north, rain south portion Wednesday; Thursday, unsettled, somewhat warmer southeast and central portions.

LOCAL REPORT. Conditions for the twenty-four hours ended at 6 p. m. yesterday, recorded by the university: Highest temperature... 40. Lowest... 35. Range... 5. Humidity at 6 a. m. ... 62. Humidity at 6 p. m. ... 74. Precipitation ... 0. Wind velocity ... 68. Character of day ... Cloudy.