

### PLAN CAUCUS ON OWNERSHIP

Democratic Leaders in the House Favor Burleson Project

MAY ACT AT THIS SESSION

Lewis Ready to Drop His Bill for Administration Measure

Washington, Dec. 19.—Government ownership of telephone and telegraph lines may be authorized by the present session of Congress. Democratic leaders in the House admitted yesterday that their legislative plans contemplate the introduction of a measure framed under Postmaster General Burleson's direction and designed to reaffirm the existing law permitting the government to acquire telegraph lines and also to obtain appropriations for their actual operation.

Representative Lewis of Maryland stated yesterday that he would withhold the introduction of his government ownership bill. The administration measure will probably be introduced "by request" by Chairman Moon of the House postoffice committee, and House leaders plan to submit the project to a Democratic caucus for consideration.

Postmaster General Burleson believes that existing statutes grant full authority for government ownership of wires. Laws of 1886 and 1902 confer practically confederate power, according to the belief expressed in his annual report. All that is needed is an appropriation to make them effective.

Mr. Burleson and President Wilson have held a number of conferences on the subject. The president is understood to approve the general plan of government ownership. The only question at issue is whether it would be good politics to initiate it at this time or to wait until after the next congressional elections are held. The postmaster general has told the president that, inasmuch as there exists at present a real surplus in his department the time will soon be ripe for one-cent postage.

First Assistant Postmaster General Roper said yesterday that the report of a committee which for six months has been studying the government ownership plan will be made public in a few days.

"I feel that the English court decisions holding that a telegram is a letter and that the telephone to all intents and purposes is the telegraph will sustain the government in any move for government ownership," Mr. Roper said. "We already have a law by which we can take over the telegraph lines. All we have to do then is to apply the English principle to get the telephone system."

"Thus far Congress has not asked us for any suggestions, but the postmaster general's recommendation is the first step in getting Congress to seek this ownership. Representative Lewis will not introduce his ownership bill unless Chairman Moon and the postoffice committee want him to."

Mr. Roper indicated further that gov-

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ernment ownership is still far off because of the fact that valuation of the properties would be a task entailing perhaps years of work.

### POLICE ABANDON SEARCH FOR GIRL

Are Not Satisfied With the Aid Given Them by the McCann Family.

New York, Dec. 19.—Police of New York and Brooklyn admitted absolute failure yesterday in their efforts to find some clue which would lead to the discovery of Miss Jessie McCann, Brooklyn social worker, who has been missing for nearly two weeks. Active search for the girl has been abandoned by the police.

The police are not entirely satisfied with the aid given them by the McCann family. The girl's father and mother deny that any information has been withheld.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 19.—Search began yesterday through Milwaukee's hospitals and sanitariums for Miss Jessie McCann, missing New York girl, following the receipt of information from C. C. Forbes, a Milwaukee road porter, that a woman whose description tallies with that of Miss McCann came to Milwaukee on his car a week ago. Forbes said the girl was alone and appeared to be ill.

"She was dressed in a gray coat with red ruffles at the neck and waist," said Forbes, "and was accompanied to the station by two women, dressed in the garb of a Catholic sisterhood."

### DANCING IN THE STREETS.

San Francisco Offers Substitute for Public Halls Which Are Close.

San Francisco, Dec. 19.—Sponsored by the city, the first of a series of public street dances were scheduled for last night in one of the outlying districts. The city will furnish music, lights and police, the latter having been instructed to see that proper decorum is observed. The dance programme, which was to begin at 8 o'clock and end at 11, included the tango and the "Boston dip." The second public street dance will be held Saturday night in another section of the city and the third of the series on New Year's eve in the down-town district, when the public will dance the New Year in. The series will be tried as an experiment, the idea being to establish street dancing as a substitute for the public dance halls which were closed by the police commission three months ago.

### MAGISTRATE HELPS MOTORISTS.

New York Judge Finds Method of Timing Speeders Inaccurate.

New York, Dec. 19.—Magistrate Appleton held court on a street corner Wednesday, tested the police method of timing motorists from a stationary post by stop watches and found it inaccurate. By this method the policeman starts his watch when the car crosses the center line of the street corner a block away and stops it when the car passes the corner where the timer has taken his stand and from this data estimates the speed per mile. After making the test the magistrate discharged an automobile arrested for exceeding the speed limit. If the decision stands, the timing of automobiles suspected of speeding will be left to cycle policemen who follow cars and take their speed from speedometers.

### GOVERNOR DEFIES LABOR

Ammons of Colorado Fears No Threat of Recall

REFUSES TO DISMISS MILITARY OFFICERS

Has Had No Proof That Their Acts Were Wrong

Denver, Col., Dec. 19.—Delegates to the state labor convention in session here to the number of several hundred started this morning to march to the state capitol to present to Governor Ammons their demands for abolition of the military commission in the Colorado strike zone and for the dismissal of certain militia officers objectionable to the labor element. The parade passed through the business section of the city.

Characterizing the union's demands as ridiculous and their claims as overdrawn, Governor E. M. Ammons has refused to dismiss Adjutant General John Chase and other military officers from service, order the release of military prisoners and abolish the military commission in the zone where coal miners are on strike. These demands are made upon the governor by a committee from the allied trade unions' conventions.

When the governor's stand was made known to the waiting delegates and they heard their committeemen say that the threat of recall petitions within five days had no effect upon the governor "Mother" Mary Jones arose and exhorted her hearers to land themselves by "righteousness, march upon the state and bring defiance of the governor in his face."

The delegates voted to assemble yesterday for the march to the capitol in protest of the governor's conduct of the law enforcing agencies in the state during the strike of coal miners in the southern Colorado fields.

"There are no acts which have come to my knowledge either officially or unofficially of any misconduct on the part of the officers mentioned in the unions' resolution," said Governor Ammons yesterday, "and not until the committee itself brought charges against these men had I heard anything of it. I told them to produce their proof and then I would listen to them. They may secure their recall petition against me, but their threat to do so does not weaken me in my determination to preserve law and order in the state."

### ARBITRATION TREATY SIGNED.

It Is Between This Country and the Netherlands.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Secretary Bryan and Chevalier Van Reppard, the Netherlands minister, yesterday signed a treaty providing that any question between America and the Netherlands that cannot be settled by diplomacy shall be submitted for investigation to an international commission of five.

The period of the investigation is fixed at one year although it may be shortened. This is the first treaty between America and a European nation based upon Secretary Bryan's plan.



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### DECLARES HIS INDEPENDENCE

Gov. Glynn Will Not Consult with Tammany Leader

### NOR BE TAIL TO WILSON'S KITE

But He'll Fight if Interfered with in His Appointments

New York, Dec. 19.—"I believe the state of New York is too big to be the tail of the national administration's kite or the annex of Tammany hall," declared Governor Glynn in a special interview published by the Evening Sun here yesterday, in which he said he cannot be a "Wilson governor" and can only be a "Glynn governor."

"I shall not consult or attack Charles F. Murphy, but if he or anybody else attempts to interfere with my administration I shall fight and in the open," the governor declared.

"I do not think the way to help the Democratic party in this state is to set a bargain counter in the executive chamber to dispose of public offices. I admire President Wilson and shall support his national administration as loyally as I can. But I shall not aid President Wilson or Mayor-elect Mitchell in any attempt to unseat Murphy, even if asked. Nor do I believe that the president would expect me to, or that he will ask."

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Forty business men already have signed their willingness to serve on Governor Glynn's commission of 25 to study the conduct of the state's business. The governor and William Church Osborne, chairman of the commission, will select 25 men, probably to-day, choosing men of different political and business interests.

Killed in Sawmill. Bridgeton, Me., Dec. 19.—Leo Kimball was killed in a sawmill here yesterday. A board flew back and struck him in the forehead, crushing his skull.

### RHODE ISLAND FACES DEFICIT.

School Department in Many Cities Will Suffer.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 19.—The state is facing a deficit in its treasury, according to State Treasurer Reed. The school department in several cities and towns is likely to be financially embarrassed.

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### FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

Maine State Grange Goes on Record in Its Favor.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 19.—Woman suffrage was endorsed by the Maine state grange at the closing session of its 40th annual convention in this city yesterday.

In addition to unanimously adopting a resolution requesting the next legislature to vote to submit the question to the people, an amendment was passed requiring the executive committee to request each nominee for the next legislative body to state his position on the question and that his stand be given publicity within and without the grange. The grange, in a resolution unanimously placed its disapproval on the proposal of the state highway commis-

sion to expend the \$2,000,000 bond issue for good roads on trunk lines and urged that "business roads" be obtained first.

### DEAN THAYER CANNOT SERVE.

Duties at Harvard Keep Him from Post on Supreme Court Bench.

Boston, Dec. 19.—Dean Thayer of the Harvard Law school cannot leave his duties in Cambridge to accept Governor Foss' appointment to the Massachusetts supreme court bench, he stated yesterday.

Profes. Roscoe Pound, who has been mentioned for the place, also declares he could not accept if appointed. An effort to get Dean Thayer to reconsider will be made.



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