"BONE DRY" MAY BECOME RIDER TO POSTOFFICE BILL

The Sheppard bilk to make the District of Columbia "bone dry," will probably be offered as an amendment to the postoffice bill when that measure is taken up by the Senate.

While a point of order might be held against the resolution, the offering of the amendment would lead to sharp and probably lengthy controversy. Should a point of order be raised, it would be possible to override it on appeal from the chair by a majority vote or to suspend the rules.

The Senate Postoffice Committee still has the Sheppard bill bottled up and the opponents of the measure are trying to keep it there as long as possible.

If Senator Sheppard cannot get the "bone dry" provision adopted as an amendment to the postoffice bill and the Postoffices Committee does not act on his bill in a short time, he will endeavor to get the District Committee to act.

He has two "bone dry" bills and one of them is in the hands of the District Committee.

Not long ago a subcommittee of the Postoffices Committee reported out the Sheppard bill under the misapprehension that it had authority to act for the entire Postoffices Committee. Later, the report was withdrawn, and the bill went back to the Postoffices Committee.

PIRATES CAPTURE TUG, TIE ENGINEER; THEN LOOT PIERS

NEW YORK, April 24.—Port authorities having barred small craft, such as junk boats, from operations in an effort to prevent extensive stealing, a band of bold harbor pirates seized a big tugboat, with steam up, at night, overpowered the only man on board and until daylight pillaged piers at distant points.

All the crew of the tug Meta excepting Michael O'Donnell, the engineer, had gone ashore after the tug tied up at Essex street, Jersey City, and he was seated in his cabin reading at 10 o'clock, when six men, with caps down over their eyes, boarded the craft.

O'Donnell was overpowered, and, after being bound, was locked in a small bunk room. The captors knew all about running a tug, and soon O'Donnell knew that the Meta was leaving the pier and moving out into the stream.

For more than six hours the Meta moved about, making four stops before being returned to her pier at Jersey City.

"Donnell said that while he could not see what was being done, he heard enough to convince him that the tug was run in alongside of several piers, large quantities of goods thrown aboard and that then the Meta was taken to some place where the goods were unloaded.

After the tug had been tied up safely at the pier from which she had been stolen the harbor pirates went ashore, leaving the engineer still bound in the bunk room. Capt. Daniel McCarren, of 31 South street, Manhattan, later found his engineer a prisoner.

CREEL SAYS HE DIDN'T O. K. PACIFIST PLEDGE

George Creel, chairman of the Committee on Public Information, considered a pacifist advertisement in "The Masses," Socialist organ now debarred from the mails as "infamous and treasonable," and so declared to representatives of the paper who asked his opinion.

This was Creel's retort to charges that he had "approved" the advertisement, which is said to have carried the line: "I Will Not Kill Nor Help to Kill My Fellow Men."

Moreover, Creel said, he has no power either "to approve or disapprove" what was published.

"That power lies in the Justice Department," he said.

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