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STATE DEPARTMENT IS LIKELY TO TAKE OVER THE LORD MAYOR CASE

Is Considering Procedure Without Regard to the Department of Labor

FOR DEPORTATION

Labor Department Would Admit O'Callaghan, State Department Is Opposed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Definite indications had appeared tonight that the state department might take into its own hands without regard to the department of labor the question of admitting to the United States Donald J. O'Callaghan, lord mayor of Cork, Ireland, who is being deported after his arrival at New York News as a stow-away.

Conflict between the two departments was foreshadowed yesterday, brought out into the open today and accentuated tonight when it was learned that Acting Secretary Davis of the state department had called upon the department's legal authorities for advice on the question of the department taking the entire O'Callaghan administration matter into its own hands. The state department, it has been indicated, favors deportation of the lord mayor, while the labor department has been represented by those close to its higher officials as favoring admission of the Cork official.

Not Formally Presented. The case of O'Callaghan had not been formally presented to the state department tonight by the labor department, but the solicitor of the labor department was known to be in consideration also to his department's power. In case O'Callaghan is admitted by labor officials, he may ask the department of justice to institute proceedings against the lord mayor on the charge of violating a criminal statute by entering the United States without a passport.

Secretary Davis also indicated during the day that the state department had instituted an investigation of the reported statement of Harry Boland, secretary to Eamonn De Valera, "president of the Irish republic," that he too had entered the United States without a passport as a stow-away.

Mr. Davis said that the department in addition had taken note of the reported advocacy by Boland in a speech in New York of the use of force and vengeance against the United States.

Consideration by the state department of the O'Callaghan and Boland cases was understood to have been precipitated today by the denial made by labor department officials of a statement issued early in the day by the secretary Merle-Smith of the state department that the lord mayor O'Callaghan case had been referred to the labor department to his department. Labor department officials in their denial of the statement by Merle-Smith had gone to Philadelphia for the denial would not take up the case until his return on Monday.

LORD MAYOR AND PARTY TO LEAVE FOR NEW YORK TODAY. NORFOLK, Jan. 6.—Donald J. O'Callaghan, lord mayor of Cork, accompanied on the steamer, with his wife and daughter, J. L. Fawcett, county agent of the "Irish republic" in this country, and Judge Joseph T. Lawless, who is to accompany O'Callaghan, will leave here tomorrow morning at 8:50 o'clock for New York. Mayor O'Callaghan is scheduled next week to attend the annual convention of the American League for the Irish Republic at the Judge Lawless today sent forward to the immigration office at New York, where he will remain and O'Callaghan could not remain in America. Hundreds of telegrams poured in today from private individuals, state and city officials and organizations, promising aid in his fight to prevent deportation.

A quiet day was spent by the Irish stow-away in seeing Norfolk. Tonight he was the guest of Judge Lawless at an informal dinner.

AMATEUR GOLF, CLAYTON, MO.; OPEN GOLF, CHEVY CHASE, MD.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The national amateur golf championship tournament country club, Clayton, Mo., at the 27th annual meeting of the club, at the club house here tonight.

The national open golf championship tournament was awarded to the Columbia club, Chevy Chase, Md.

INSANE SOLDIERS ARE SEEMINGLY FORGOTTEN

Not a Cent for Hospitals for Treatment of These Doughboys

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Not a cent of the money so far appropriated by congress for the care of veterans suffering from disability or wounds incurred in service has been spent for the treatment of these men in the house commerce committee was informed today by Dr. Thomas W. Saltschewitz, of the Rockefeller foundation.

The statement was made at a hearing on the Rogers bill to consolidate into one bureau the several government agencies dealing with relief for former service men.

VOTE ON NITRATE BILL MAY PROBABLY BE HAD IN THE SENATE TODAY

Denunciation of "Fertilizer Trust" Features Speeches of Bill's Proponents

MAY CALL IN DUKE

Durham Millionaire May Be Asked What Interest He Has in Muscle Shoals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—At the end of a day's debate in the senate on the bill proposing a government corporation to operate the nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals, Ala., proponents of the measure said tonight that a vote probably would be reached tomorrow. House advocates of the \$10,000,000 appropriation to finish the work on the Wilson dam, said they would leave the question to the senate.

Representative Bryan, Democrat of Tennessee, said he expected the senate would include the appropriation in the sundry bill, in which case he was prepared to move concurrence by the house.

Denunciation of the "fertilizer trust" and defense of the standards of living of the farmer featured the senate debate. Senator Heflin, Democrat, Ala., charged that "propaganda, acting as agents for the fertilizer trust," were attempting to defeat the measure, and cited an interview with Senator Heflin, Democrat, Ala., and an effort to identify Mr. Norman, and that the chamber of commerce there had replied that "there was no such person."

Senator Heflin said the "Dunlop" line of argument is being used because he imports Chilean nitrate, and does the fertilizer trust which is pillaging the American farmer.

Farmer Not Extravagant. Senator Heflin, Democrat, South Carolina, said the present condition of the farmer was not a result of extravagance, but was because "we allowed the stupid manipulation of our affairs to convert the introduction of an overwhelming tide of disaster and ruin." He urged support of the measure as a means for developing new sources of fertilizer and making the United States independent of foreign sources. It was probable, he said, that there had been an "invis" expenditure of funds at Muscle Shoals, as was the case when the nitrate plant was placed during the war, but that it was done under war-time conditions when it was not certain the country could get the necessary supply from Chile.

Present situation of the farmers, the South Carolina senator declared, was not a result of extravagance, but followed the introduction of better living standards which "had inspired hope, energy, enterprise and thrift through the agricultural regions of the United States as never dreamed of before."

FEDERAL INTERNATIONAL BANK ELECTS OFFICERS

R. A. Hetch, New Orleans, Heads Second and Largest Edge Bank

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 7.—R. A. Hetch, president of the Hibernia Bank and Trust company of New Orleans, was selected president of the Federal International Bank company at the organization meeting of the corporation here tonight.

The following bankers were elected members of the executive committee: R. S. Hetch, John E. Bouden, Jr., and J. P. Butler, Jr., all of New Orleans; Robert E. Madax, president Atlanta National Bank, and R. Brinkley Snowden of Memphis.

The two sessions of the stockholders of the \$7,000,000 corporation, organized to assist southern producers in marketing their products in foreign markets, were largely attended by representative bankers from the 13 southern states.

With the adoption of a charter by the stockholders, the nation's second and largest edge bank became a reality and is ready to open its doors immediately.

NEWBERRY CONVICTED OF GROSS PERVERSION OF JUSTICE, SAYS HUGHES

Government Declares It Salutory Lesson to Those Who Buy Elections

MUCH MONEY SPENT

Prosecution Asserts in Excess of \$200,000 Expended in Michigan Race

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Conviction of Senator Truman H. Newberry of Michigan and 18 others of conspiring to violate the corrupt practices act, was denounced as a "gross perversion of justice" by counsel for the senator, and was upheld by the government as a salutary lesson to those who would purchase an election "by paid propaganda" before the supreme court today when arguments in the appeal were heard.

Charles E. Hughes, former associate justice of the court, who headed counsel for the defense, asserted that only through a "grotesque" construction of the law had the government been able to present any case to the jury. He quoted the government brief as showing that it was admitted that no restriction was placed by law on the expenditures of a political committee in behalf of any candidate, nor on the amount such a committee might raise for a campaign, and further that no attempt was made by the government to show that Senator Newberry had himself contributed in excess of the \$2,750 limitation of the act. The entire basis of the government's case, Hughes told the court, was that "this legal committee, having legally raised a legal sum of money for a legal purpose, became an illegal conspiracy because its candidate was awarded more than \$3,750 as being expended."

"A Gross Wrong." "Mr. Newberry and the other defendants," Mr. Hughes said, "have suffered a grievous wrong through processes of so called justice which this court should correct."

Apart from the direct attack on the question of the introduction of legal objects, was unconstitutional. Solicitor General Frazier, presenting the government's case, took issue with the theory presented by the defense as to what constituted a conspiracy.

Senator Newberry, according to Mr. Frazier, being desirous of entering the race for senator in 1918, called a meeting in New York of Paul H. King, of Detroit, afterwards his campaign manager, and Frederick Cody, of New York, former superintendent of Detroit schools. At this conference the question of the campaign's cost arose and Mr. Frazier said, Newberry was told it would require the expenditure of "\$50,000 or more."

Having agreed to enter the race on the express condition that this sum would be expended, the government held that he, Cody and King had entered a conspiracy to defeat the provisions of the statute.

FIREBUG CAUSES DEATH OF EIGHT IN ARKANSAS

Set Fire to Hotel and Destroyed \$150,000 of Property

ENGLAND, Ark., Jan. 7.—Incendiarism was responsible for the fire which early today destroyed the Royal hotel here today and which caused the death of eight persons and the serious injury of another, according to the verdict of a coroner's jury which made an investigation of the deaths. The arrest of a suspect was ordered by the jury.

After the investigation, Coroner Lipscomb stated that sufficient evidence had been heard to convince the jury that the fire was started by a man said to have made threats against Mrs. M. E. Smith, proprietor of the hotel. The man suspected was said to have left England and thus far efforts to locate him have failed.

The fire started on the second floor of the building and by consuming the stairways, trapped the 20 guests on that floor. Several of them escaped by knocking clothes together and letting themselves down through windows. The total loss was estimated at \$150,000.

CHARLESTON HARBOR FIGHT WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, announced tonight he was preparing a bill for the senate to support his efforts to prevent the stopping of work on the Charleston, S. C., harbor channel project which contemplated construction of a large heavy dry dock. Senator Baff, Republican, Delaware, has a resolution to put a stop to this work, which Senator Smith said would come before the senate for action today.

CITY MANAGER NAMED TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 7.—A. W. D. Hall, who has been city manager of Jackson, Michigan, the past five years, today accepted an offer from the city commission here to become city manager at salary of \$8,000 a year.

JACKSON-MITCHELL A DRAW NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Willie Jackson of New York and Pinkey Mitchell of Milwaukee fought 15 rounds to a draw at Madison Square Garden tonight.

ADMIRAL McCULLY, OF ANDERSON, S. C., AND HIS LITTLE RUSSIANS



After bringing seven Russian orphans to this country, where he intended to adopt and educate them, Rear Admiral Newton A. McCully, of Anderson, S. C., found himself up against the immigration laws, which barred the children on the ground that they might become public charges. The admiral and his wife recently reached New York on the naval collier Ramapo, and the "gobs" at the naval base stared open-eyed at the sight of the bachelor-admiral strolling ashore with his numerous brood. When the board of inquiry announced its decision that it would have to exclude the children, the admiral appealed, and offered to give bond to guarantee that the youngsters will not become public charges. He plans to take them to his mother's home in Anderson, and later to live with them in Washington. Their ages range from three to 12 years. The admiral served as naval attaché in Petrograd and later was with the allied commission at Sebastopol. Seeing so much human suffering in Russia inspired him to "do his bit," so he gathered up the seven homeless children and brought them over.

WASHINGTON HAS FULL INFORMATION OF NAVY STRENGTH OF NATIONS

Facts Might Be Used in Connection With the Disarmament Proposals

BRITAIN LEADS ALL

America's Sea Power Is More Than Double That of the Japanese Empire

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—By Associated Press.—What officials believe to be complete information as to the relative naval strength of the principal world powers is now in possession of the American government. Whether it will be presented to the senate foreign relations committee in connection with that committee's consideration of proposals looking toward disarmament has not been disclosed.

The information has been compiled in the form of tables which show that Great Britain's sea power is double that of the United States, and that although the British pre-eminence in capital ships will practically have been overcome by the United States with the completion in 1923 of the American building program, the American navy will still be greatly inferior in types of vessels in which naval officers regard as extremely important, notably destroyer leaders, cruisers and light cruisers, submarines and airplane ships.

Par Ahead of Japan. The American navy today, according to this information, has more than double the strength of the Japanese navy and this ratio will be maintained even with the completion of the building program of the two countries. The United States will be far superior not only in capital ships but also in destroyers and submarines. Japan, however, will have double the number of battle cruisers, now possessing four such vessels, eight other projects projected, while the United States has none completed and only six building.

Without reference to second line ships, of which Great Britain has a preponderance in all classes over the United States and Japan, the British navy contains 28 battleships carrying at least 10 guns of 12-inch calibre or larger, and displacing 20,000 tons or more.

The United States has 15 such vessels, Japan six, France seven and Italy four. Great Britain has no first line battleships under construction, while the United States has 11, Japan seven, France four and Italy four.

ALLEGED MURDERERS BROUGHT FROM EMPORIA TO ROCKY MOUNT

(Special to The Star) ROCKY MOUNT, Jan. 7.—Joe Roberts and Caesar Williams, negroes who give their homes as Florence and Lane, S. C., respectively, were brought back by Officer Powell yesterday afternoon from Emporia, Va., where they had been pulled off a northbound freight by police early yesterday morning, and will be given a preliminary hearing tomorrow morning on a charge of murdering Oscar Boddie, a highly respected negro of this city, who was shot through the heart at his store, 3418 left every year with which he ran his grocery bill, buy his clothes educate his children and cover other living expenses.

The two committees are not losing sight of the statutory officers of the state, including the corporation commissioner, the insurance commissioner and the commissioner of labor and printing, whose situations are similar to those described for the constitutional officers. Some of these officials

LEGISLATORS MUST HURRY SALARY MEASURE THROUGH

Increase in Pay of Constitutional Officers Must Be Made Before Next Term Begins—Some Members Advocate \$6,000, Others an Increase of \$1,800—Club Women Ask Solons for Movie Censorship

By JULE B. WARREN

RALPHIGH, Jan. 7.—While house members were pressing fear that Clem Wright's bill for increasing the salaries of the constitutional officers of the state could go by the board because of the failure of the appointment of a committee in time to act on it, the senate today had the same bill introduced in the upper house by Long of Alliance, referred it to the salary and fees committee, and immediately after the 20 minutes' session of the senate, the committee was busy on the bill.

The senate committee will report the salary bill favorably, or rather the committee favors a substitute bill which will be offered for the original measure. Arrangements have been made by Speaker Grimes for a postponement of the committee on salaries and fees on Saturday or Monday. Clem Wright of Guilford will head this committee, and sitting with the senate and fee committee, and immediately after the 20 minutes' session of the senate, the committee was busy on the bill.

The idea of those in charge of the salary bill in both houses is that the joint committee will agree on a bill which will be introduced in both houses Monday in order that it may be rushed through the general assembly before the inauguration of these officers on Monday. What is to be done must be done quickly, for after Monday, or possibly after Tuesday, it will be impossible to increase the salaries of these officials, designed by the constitution, for four more years.

Most of the members believe the bill, if it will be impossible to get such a bill through both houses, consequently the committee will recommend to the joint committee of Monday that all constitutional officers excepting supreme court judges get a salary increase of \$1,500 over the statutory salary now. This would give the treasurer and secretary of state \$5,000, the auditor and the attorney general \$4,500 and the superintendent of public instruction \$5,500.

Plans May Be Changed. Such is the status of the proposal to increase the salaries of the constitutional officers now. It is subject to change and may be changed when the joint committee gets together on Monday. It is believed that this is more in line with the sentiments of the houses and more nearly in keeping with the suggestion of the governor.

ROBBERY IN ROCKY MOUNT (Special to The Star) ROCKY MOUNT, Jan. 7.—After having been attacked from behind, half-blinded and gagged with sand, and his hands tied behind him with his own handkerchief, Harvey Eason, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Eason, had his pockets rifled and \$16 taken from him, by an unidentified negro who halted him last night shortly after 8 o'clock as he was going down Edgecombe street, in the heart of the city, on his way home after attending a meeting of the high school debating society at the Y. M. C. A.

HARDING APPROVES OF REPUBLICAN PLANS TO REDUCE ARMED FORCES

Leaders Want Army Cut Down to 175,000 Immediately and 150,000 Later

REDUCE NAVY ALSO

President-Elect Will Urge Retrenchment in That Arm of the Service, Too

MARION, Ohio, Jan. 7.—The plan of Republican leaders in congress to limit the peace-time strength of the army to 150,000 men was given approval today by President-elect Harding in a conference with Representative Kahn of California, chairman of the house military committee.

"Senator Harding is in complete accord with our policy," said Mr. Kahn, after a long talk with the President-elect. He is deeply concerned about reduction of the burden now resting on the shoulders of taxpayers, and he believes much can be saved by reducing the army's strength to 175,000 as soon as possible, and then working it down to 150,000 as a continuing maximum.

I am sure that Senator Harding does not believe that the millennium has come, but I do not think he is expecting trouble in the near future." The conference at which Mr. Harding also indicated his desire for a well-organized reserve force, was one of a series he is holding with congressional leaders in charge of military and naval legislation. Soon he is to see Chairman Eason of the house naval committee to urge retrenchment in that arm of the service and to shape a continuing policy for naval armaments.

Although the army occupied the President-elect's major attention today, many other questions were talked over by him in the course of a busy day of conferences. One question who attracted particular attention was Andrew W. Mellon, of Pittsburgh, publicly endorsed by Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, for secretary of the treasury. He had a long conference with Senator Harding at which he said general financial conditions were discussed.

The qualifications of Sherman P. Houston, of Missouri, for secretary of agriculture, were urged upon the President-elect by a delegation from that state. They brought a formidable list of endorsements, including the names of farm organizations and livestock men of Missouri.

BUNCOMBE COUNTY HAS PLANNED A "DRY" RALLY

A Hundred Prohibition Speakers to Visit Every Church

(Special to The Star) ASHEVILLE, Jan. 7.—Sunday prohibition speakers will address the people of Buncombe county in every church in the county, arrangements having been perfected here for the greatest rally ever held in the county with more than 100 speakers. It is planned to carry the law enforcement work into every section of the county.

Declaring that the Asheville Power and Light company has been able to make a return of 24 per cent on a six-cent carfare, Mayor Roberts stated today he would carry the evidence gathered by the public accountants who have worked on the board of corporation, at the direction of the city, to the corporation commission next Tuesday and fight to the last ditch the attempt to raise the rates to eight cents.

BURLEY TOBACCO GROWERS TO POSTPONE ACTION TO JAN. 13

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 1.—Final action by growers was postponed today because of the situation growing out of failure of tobacco buyers to pay satisfactory prices to growers in the burley tobacco market was proposed today until January 13. The meeting of these interests, started here this morning and adjourned late tonight, will be resumed on that date after a committee, composed of growers and large manufacturers on prices for the 1920 crop.

KILLED BY MOTOR CAR LEBESSBURG, Fla., Jan. 7.—Philetus Latham, 74, of Battle Creek, Mich., was fatally injured when run over by an automobile driven by Mrs. Edward Mann, of Sunbury, Fla., here this morning. He died several hours later.