

The Weather

Thundershowers today and Sunday. Stage of river at Fayetteville yesterday at 8 a. m., 10.5 feet.

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HARDING CARRIES BONUS BILL FIGHT BY SENDING MEASURE TO COMMITTEE

DEMOCRATS INTERPRET VOTE TO MEAN DEATH OF BONUS MEASURE

Parties Divide When Proposal is First Submitted to National Congress

DIGNITY IS LOST Heated Debate Results in Senatorial Courtesy Being Discounted

WASHINGTON, July 15.—The administration won its battle in congress today when the senate, responding to President Harding's recent request, re-committed the bonus bill in committee to the finance committee.

The vote for recommitment was 47 to 35 and was interpreted by Democrats to mean the "death" of the bill, but by Republican leaders to mean postponement for a few months, with no substantial loss to war veteran beneficiaries.

Both parties divided on the roll call. The Republicans voting against while Democrats joined the bulk of Republicans on the vote were offset exactly by Democratic secessions, as two more Republicans and three more Democrats joined the majority.

A motion of Senator Kenyon, Republican Iowa, to have the bill brought back at an early date was defeated 49 yeas to 41 nays. Senator Pittman, Democrat Nevada, thereupon announced he would make a motion every week hereafter to bring back the bill from committee.

The row broke when Senator McCumber was recognized by the vice president to explain his position on the bill's recommitment. Senators Robinson, Democrat Arkansas, and Reed declared that there being no bill or other business before the senate, McCumber's speech was not in order.

McCumber's speech was not in order, the vice president ruled in favor of Mr. McCumber. For two hours the parliamentary and personal wrangling continued. Senator McCumber standing by his guns and finally conceding his speech. The senate by a virtual party vote of 38 to 27, also sustained the vice president's ruling.

Many a tense moment, especially when Senators McCumber and Reed walked toward each other on opposite sides of the aisle. Senator Robinson and others, however, stepped between their remarks. Both senators finally agreed to this, Senator Reed saying he did not wish any retaliation. He added, however, "The outside is so large that it is generally considered a safe place."

State to Defend Machine Gunners

RALEIGH, July 15.—The state of North Carolina, through the attorney general and employed counsel, Governor Morrison states tonight, will defend the Durham machine gun company, defendant in a suit for damages brought in Baltimore, Md., by Mrs. James Ray, widow of the man who was killed when a mob stormed the jail at Graham, N. C., where the machine gun company was guarding three Negro prisoners last summer.

RELUCTANCE OF JAPAN TO AGREE TO PLAN TO DISARM CAUSES STUDY

Initial Results of Proposals Give American Officials Hope for Acquiescence

IMPORTANT OBJECT Opinion of American Officials Based on Common Understanding of Nations

WASHINGTON, July 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Japan's reluctance to take part in an unrestricted discussion of far eastern affairs at the disarmament conference led the United States to set forth anew today its idea of the probable scope of the proposed negotiations.

Details of the latest American representations to the Tokio government were not disclosed, but they are held by officials here to be sufficiently definite to permit of a comprehensive consideration of the whole subject by Japanese statesmen. American officials look forward to the result with entire confidence.

According to its firm belief that far eastern and Pacific problems are linked closely with any effort to reduce armaments, the position of this government is understood to be the important object after all, is to get the powers together around a council table where each is willing to speak and act in entire frankness in the interest of good understanding. The feeling here is that once that object has been attained an agreement easily will be reached as to subjects of discussion proper to the moment and the powers ties their own hands before the conference begins.

There is reason to believe that American officials who stand in the way of no idea of dictating in advance just what subjects shall be considered. At the same time there is manifestly a belief that no nation will care to take on its shoulders the responsibility for refusing to discuss any question which seems vital to the moment and the powers ties their own hands before the conference begins.

RAINBOW DIVISION VETERANS RESENT HARVEY STATEMENT

CLEVELAND, July 15.—Resenting a statement made in London by Colonel George Harvey, ambassador to England, that the war was fought by the United States for the second annual convention of the Rainbow Division Veterans' association today condemned the United States constitution. The resolution endorsing the stand of the North Carolina chapter, which recommended that Colonel Harvey temporarily resign from the United States at the court of St. James, be deprived of his title of lieutenant-colonel, conferred on him in a burst of generosity due to his being a member of the state and be given a dishonorable discharge from the position, was adopted.

Another resolution that the eighteenth amendment was adopted while four million men were either in France or were deprived of a vote because they were in camps at home and advocating that no change in the constitution on any subject be made when men are at war was unanimously passed.

FURDHEM LEAGUE MARRIED. DURHAM, July 15.—Joe Caviness, a member of the pitching staff of the Durham Piedmont league baseball team, and Miss Vera Dorman, of Lillington, were married Thursday night at the bride's home, it was announced today.

NAVAL CRAFT EASILY HIT GERMAN VESSELS IN IMPORTANT TESTS

Wonderful Marksmanship Shown by Yankee Craft Making Important Test

STERNS TURNED UP SHOT AFTER SHOT FROM AMERICAN SHIPS GO HOME, OFFICIALS BEING SLATED

ON BOARD THE DESTROYER, SICARD ENROUTE TO NORFOLK, Va., July 15.—(By Associated Press.)—The former German destroyers V-43 and S-132 were sunk this evening by the combined shell fire of the destroyers Leary and Herbert and battleships Florida, Delaware and the California. They went down at about 15 miles off the Virginia Capes selected as the graveyard for the once enemy vessels turned over to the United States after the world war.

The V-43 after being hit twice by the Leary, finally was accounted for by the Florida, which scored times after time with shells from her starboard battery of seven 5-inch destroyer defense rifles, each of which spoke 23 times. Twenty-nine minutes after the Florida opened fire at a range of 7,500 yards the former enemy craft went down, stern up.

The S-132 was hit six times by shells from the 4-inch rifles of the Herbert and was officially described then as in a sinking condition. She was finished off by the gunners of the Delaware, who gave a great exhibition of marksmanship, registering a hit after hit with shells from the battleship's secondary battery. The S-132 remained afloat, however, for two hours and five minutes after the Delaware ceased firing, going down at 7:30.

Each of the destroyers fired 20 shots from three rifles. There was a high wind and heavy sea and as they rolled over the water they were very unsteady platforms for their gunners. Some naval officers observing the tests declared that it was little short of remarkable that the destroyers were able to register in such accuracy.

The Leary got two out of 20 shots at a range varying from 5,000 to 3,500 yards and at 15-knot speed, while the Florida registered six out of 20 at the same range and speed. One of the Leary's shells struck the V-43 on the bridge and the other hit the starboard bow head-on and passed directly through the ship. The six shells registered by the Herbert on the S-132 did much damage. Three struck at the engine room, one hit the bridge, one through the bridge and one each through each of the two funnels on the German ships.

The gunners on the battleships raked the two destroyers with fire and the Delaware's gunners earlier, using down the main mast of the S-132 and set the after-house on fire, besides scoring many hits in the hull, both along and above the waterline. The Florida raked her target, shell after shell crashing through her hull and decks as well as superstructure.

NOW PLANNING BIG CUT IN POSTAL FORCES, SAID

WASHINGTON, July 14.—Plans for cutting down expenditures of the post office department approximately \$15,000,000 during the next 12 months are understood to have been outlined today to the cabinet by Postmaster-General Hays. He was said to have declared the proposed economies would in no way weaken the efficiency of the service.

POLICE CHIEF AND TWO OTHERS KILLED; 4 WOUNDED

LYNCH, Ky., July 15.—Three men were killed and four seriously wounded here today in a pistol fight. William Holcombe, chief of police, and Goldiron, deputy sheriff, and Carl Fulton, mine foreman, were killed when they attempted to arrest three men, whose names are unknown. Four men whose names are not known, were seriously wounded.

AMBASSADOR PRESENTS PAPERS

PARIS, July 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Morton T. Harrick, the new ambassador to France, presented his credentials to President Millerand at Elysee Palace this afternoon. The ambassador was escorted to the palace by a squadron of cuirassiers.

I. W. W.'S DRIVEN FROM TOWN

ABERDEEN, S. D., July 15.—One hundred and three alleged I. W. W.'s were driven out of Aberdeen and vicinity tonight by citizens' posse aiding Sheriff Elliott, of Brown county. They were herded in two groups, one sent to the other north. Each group was driven about ten miles. Other towns in the vicinity were notified to keep the men moving.

EIGHTH ARREST WATSON CASE

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., July 15.—Homer Marchburn, a sawmill laborer, was arrested here today, making eight persons taken into custody in the last few days in connection with the death, more than a year ago, of Carl Watson, whose body was found in the Ocmulgee river.

HIDES ARE RELEGATED TO REAR IN NEW FREE LIST OF LEGISLATURE

Thirty-One Members Take Part in Chin Fest of Day With Little Results

SHOE BILL TALKED Increased Hoof Covers' Costs Talked by Man From Pacific Coast

WASHINGTON, July 15.—Hides—raw, green and pickled were thrown off the Forney tariff free list today by the house, which voted 283 to 97, to impose an ad valorem duty of 15 per cent, to be followed by another amendment, taxing all leather products, including shoes.

Eight Republican members of the ways and means committee, which framed the bill, voted for free hides, and Representative Garner, of Texas, ranking Democratic committee man and in charge of the general fight against the bill, was counted with Republicans voting for the tax.

There were many breaks from straight party lines on the first contested section of the measure, but finding themselves with votes to spare, Republican leaders forced an early adjournment over the demand that the bill be read for amendment. Representative Hawley, of Washington, Republican member of the committee, was officially described today as declaring the farmers by a tariff would get less than they were now paid, and that \$81,000,000 would be added annually to the nation's shoe and leather bill.

Representative Garner, of Tennessee, the acting Democratic leader, offered a motion to close debate at once so that the house might have an opportunity to work on the bill under the five minute rule, according to the legislative custom. The Republicans countered with a motion for two additional hours of debate and got it.

Then when the vote was taken Mr. Garrett insisted that the house keep on the job, but he could do so to force a roll call which would register the vote. Thirty-one members took part in the day's talk, some defending and some flaying the hide tax. Under the rule by which the Forney bill has right of way, another vote will be demanded in the house proper next Thursday, the action today being in committee.

Representative Garner, of Tennessee, however, they had little hope of defeating it. "Uncle Joe" Cannon, of Illinois, famous in his day as a high tariff man, carried a five-minute speech against free list hides.

SIX FORMS OF VERDICT ARE POSSIBLE IN KREBE CASE

CLEVELAND, July 15.—Six forms of verdict were given the jurors, only one of which they may return as their decision in the case of E. K. Kreber, charged with the first degree murder of Daniel F. Kaber, not reached a verdict at 10 o'clock tonight and was taken to a hotel for the night. It will resume its trial again at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

POSTAL WORKERS RECLASSIFIED

WASHINGTON, July 15.—By adoption of a conference agreement legislative action was completed in Congress today on the bill to reclassify certain postal employees, entailing additional payments of about \$5,000,000 principally to the "special" post office clerks, laborers and other employees.

FATAL FIGHT STAGED

BRISTOL, N. S. W., July 15.—Lee Chessor is dead and Hiram Fallin is in jail at Big Stone Gap, Va., as the result of a fight between the two there today in which Chessor's head was nearly severed from his body by a knife.

LIGHTNING KILLS BROTHERS

GREENVILLE, S. C., July 15.—While eating supper with the family last night, Thomas and David Odam aged 10 to 8 years, respectively, were instantly killed by a bolt of lightning which struck the house. The family lives in the upper section of the county. Other members were stunned but not seriously hurt.

AUSTRALIA'S POPULATION

SYDNEY, N. S. W., July 15.—(Correspondence Associated Press.)—The census returns for the commonwealth of Australia give a total population of 4,519,762, an increase of 264,687 since 1911.

Bids Received for \$18,000 of 8 Million of State Bonds

Only Nine Bidders Expressed Willingness to Invest in State Bonds Offered by Secretary Lacy—One Bid, by Winston-Salem Man Was for \$11,500—All Bids at Par—Roads and Improvement Bonds at Private Sale

RALEIGH, July 15.—Treasury Lacy today opened the bids for the North Carolina five per cent bonds and found applications for \$18,000 worth of the issue, or one, four hundred and sixty-sixths of the \$3,720,000 issue offered for sale. All of the bids were made at par. The largest bid came from D. Rich of Winston-Salem who offered to buy \$1,000 worth of the new bond issue. The other bids range from \$100 to \$100. There were only nine bidders in all.

Treasurer Lacy will now offer the bonds for sale privately, since not all of them were taken at the public offering. Attorney General J. S. Manning declared the North Carolina five per cent bonds are better investment than the best paying issue of government bonds bought at the prevailing market price which is something under 90 cents on the dollar. The North Carolina bond will yield 5 per cent whereas the 4 3/4 per cent Liberty bond bought today ninety will yield but 4 3/8.

The treasurer and other members of the council of state, announcing that the \$18,000 worth of bonds which had been bought at the public sale, will be sold at par, coupled with this announcement the belief that a large portion of the remaining authorized issue could be disposed of through private sale. Members of the administration expressed no disappointment on the smallness of the bids for the \$3,000,000 issue of five per cent bonds. One of the banks adding the treasurer in opening the bids pointed out the fact that the state of Michigan is this morning advertising 5 3/4 per cent bonds on the open market. He was not in the least bit surprised that it was impossible for the state of North Carolina to sell her 5 per cent bonds on the open market when other states were offering a larger interest rate. The banks thought, however, the North Carolina five per cent were good investments, and would in time bring more than par. Just at the present time the general condition of the money market makes it possible, however, to get more than interest rate for money.

John Hindsdale, city attorney of Raleigh, who represented a number of other cities in the state, went before the council of state today and stated that the date of the extra session be moved forward to August 15 or possibly September 1, in order that the cities might get the relief needed as early as possible. After hearing the argument the council, however, decided to hold to the first date set, that of December 6.

One of the members of the council of state today declared that there was no special reason for fixing the date for the special session on December 6. He and other members of the council have been having a number of meetings with the members of the general assembly and others who would be interested in the session, to call the general assembly together in the summer and early fall months.

Many members are farmers or are interested in farming and the summer and early fall is their busiest season. He felt it would be in close touch with these people to pull them away from their private affairs during the summer months. In December all of the crops will have been gathered and the people will have more time to attend a special session than they would have before that time.

ENGLISH OF BEAUVAIS ALLIED DEBTS GET IN DREW HUNTING OUTFIT UNITED STATES SENATE

New Evidence Introduced in Stillman Divorce Case at Poughkeepsie

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., July 15.—Mrs. Beavais, "Queen" English, led Mrs. Anne U. Stillman to invite him to eat with her and the rest of her hunting party in the Canadian woods when she first met him in November, 1916, H. Phelps Stillman, of Buffalo, testified today in the divorce suit of Mrs. A. Stillman, the New York banker, who names Beavais as co-respondent. The witness said that he and Mrs. Stillman and her two children made up the party. Beavais was the only one of the three Indian guides hired who could speak English. Because of that fact he was frequently invited to eat with the rest of the party while the other Indians ate by themselves.

Beavais' full name, Clawson testified, was Fred Kalantonoran Beavais de Ste Jeanne, and that he was from the Caughnawaga reservation, Montreal. The Indian word Kalantonoran means "deer wood," the witness explained. Clawson, who is the son of a wealthy Buffalo manufacturer, was positive under cross-examination, it was said, of the date he had seen Mr. and Mrs. Stillman together at Pocantico Hills, in the months preceding the birth of Guy Stillman. He said that the night before one of his visits he had attended a ball given in New York by Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt.

He was asked by Colonel Rand, counsel for Stillman, if he considered himself a post or a versifier. "I suppose you had better call me a versifier; I published my poems at my own expense," was the reply. Hearings in the divorce suit will be resumed here July 25.

ORGANIZED GANG WOULD REVIVE HANGED MEN

CHICAGO, July 15.—An organized gang banded together to seize bodies out from the gallows and resurrect them by means of pulmotors, was revealed today by Walter E. Goerger, attorney for Harry Ward, the "lone wolf" bandit, who was hanged today. Goerger said that before the hanging he was approached by a stranger with an offer to attempt to resuscitate Ward. He proposed that the body be obtained immediately after the hanging and taken to an undertaker, where the effort to revive life would be made. Goerger refused the offer and told the authorities, who held the jail an hour after Ward had been pronounced dead. A similar attempt was made recently, according to jail officials, in the case of Sam Cardinella, a gang leader. After his body was cut down from the gallows his friends labored for hours to revive him, it was said.

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TWO MEETINGS STAGED IN ATTEMPT TO SOLVE PROBLEMS OF IRELAND

Lloyd George and North and South Ireland Leaders Hold Conferences

"MAN TO MAN" TALK Storm Center Shifts to Camp of the Ulsterites' Belief of Students of Problem

LONDON, July 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Two more important conferences were held today in the efforts by the prime minister, Mr. Lloyd George and the leaders of southern and northern Ireland to lay the foundation of a meeting of the leaders of the two countries to endeavor to reach a solution of the Irish problem.

The first conference was between Mr. Lloyd George and Eamonn de Valera the Irish Republican leader, and the second between Mr. Lloyd George and Sir James Craig, premier of Ulster. No official information as to the results attained by the conferences was issued, but it may be said that the preliminary negotiations are shaping better than any one could have dared to expect a week ago. No hitch thus far has occurred.

Mr. de Valera will meet Mr. Lloyd George again on Monday, while Sir James has summoned members of his cabinet to London. It would appear to indicate that some suggestion worthy of consideration by the Ulster government has come to light. Finally, it is said by those in close touch with the negotiations, that there is every prospect that the proposed conference of Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. de Valera and Sir James will materialize early next week.

When the Ulster premier left Downing street at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon, Mr. de Valera had had four hours of "man to man" discussions with Mr. de Valera and two hours and a half with Sir James. There is reason to believe that at the termination of these intimate talks the storm of the viewpoints of the three leaders, the handicaps with which they are fettered, and the lines over which they would not cross, are not so dark as had not been made perfectly clear to the others. Each also was cognizant of what failure ultimately to compose these divergent views would mean, and was fully alive to the possibilities with which they were burdened.

From the sequence of developments those who have closely followed the meetings inferred that the storm center had shifted to the Ulsterman's camp. It is intimated in a "well-informed" quarter that Sir James now is face to face with the difficult alternatives arrived at in the Lloyd George-De Valera interchanges of yesterday and today. The same information expressed belief that the southern nationalists are utterly impossible by Sir James, but that they involve concessions which the Ulster leader is unwilling to pledge on his own responsibility.

Only at the headquarters of Mr. de Valera was there perceptible a lessening of the tension tonight. Here a statement was given to The Associated Press by one of the Ulstermen, an authoritative new view of the situation, as seen by Irish delegates. It reads:

The present discussions are designed to find, if possible, suitable ground for holding a useful conference—one that might legitimately be termed a peace conference. So far as the Ulster representatives are concerned what Sir James Craig says to Premier Lloyd George is of no moment. Mr. de Valera invites representatives from Ulster minorities to confer with him in Dublin. Sir James failed to appear, although he previously had talked with the present. In a position which would appear and expressed their view. "Mr. de Valera considers the party of Sir James Craig thus was represented because the southern nationalists consider the southern and northern unionists of the same classification and the same policy.

By a failure to appear, Mr. de Valera considers Sir James forfeited whatever rights he might have claimed to being an element in the situation as between England and Ireland—in other words it is with Mr. de Valera he ultimately will have to deal. Only in Irish internal politics does Sir James, in Mr. de Valera's mind, continue to be a factor."

DISCHARGED WITHOUT HONOR

CHATTANOOGA, July 15.—It was announced at Fort Oglethorpe today that private George F. Rhodes, of the Sixth cavalry whose alleged treatment while in the guard house was the basis for the recent removal of Colonel Frederick Foltz from command of the post, had been given a "discharge without honor," after a hearing of his case by a board of officers convened upon orders from Major General John F. Morrison, commander of the Fourth corps area.

ONE DROWNS IN BOGE SOUND

MORHEAD CITY, July 15.—Rutledge Field, of Florida, Pa., was drowned here today when a canoe, which held him and Clifton Beckwith, of Raleigh, capsized, throwing both of them into Bogue Sound. Beckwith floated to safety on some baggage. Field was a son of A. J. Field, of New York, who formerly lived in Raleigh and was private secretary to former Governor Kitchin.

CONFER ABOUT NITRATE PLANT

WASHINGTON, July 15.—Further conference with Henry Ford will precede final decision on his offer to buy the nitrate plant and lease the Wilson and number 8 dams near Muscle Shoals, Alabama, Secretary of War, said today. The negotiations which led to the offer, were only of a preliminary character, he said. Mr. Weeks indicated that he would confer with Secretary Mellon as an expert on water power development and with Secretary Hoover as an expert on industrial development, before taking action.