

JOINT SESSION WILL HEAR THE PRESIDENT DELIVER HIS MESSAGE

The 67th Congress Convened Yesterday—The Senate Held Brief Session Of 20 Minutes.

BUSINESS TODAY

The Senate Will Take Up The Clombian Treaty While The House Will Consider Emergency Tariff Today.

GILLETT WAS REELECTED

By A Vote Of 298 To 122 He Was Again Chosen Speaker Of The House With Kitchen Opposing Him For The Job—Senate Republicans Held Off Attempts To Introduce Bills.

Washington, April 11.—The 67th congress convened today with few departures from time-honored precedent and adjourned until tomorrow when, at 1 o'clock, a joint session will hear President Harding deliver his opening message.

Appointment of committees to notify the President of the assembling of the extraordinary session, re-elected on Speaker Gillett, and Republican officers of the house, introduction of hundreds of bills and resolutions in the house, a reorganization of the principal features of today's session.

The senate, which was organized by the Republicans at the extra session last month, was in session only 20 minutes, but the house organization required several hours. Crowds of spectators thronged both senate and house galleries.

President Harding's message tomorrow is to be the signal for beginning the session's work. A great crush at the house chamber for the first appearance of the new executive before congress is expected. Admission is to be by card and tickets were the object of lively effort today.

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE HAVE REPLIED

To Hughes' Note Regarding Mandate Over Yap, It is Understood.

Washington, April 11.—France and Great Britain are understood to have replied to Secretary Hughes' recent note regarding the Japanese mandate over the Pacific island of Yap.

France, in replying to a previous American note regarding the Yap mandate, had expressed the hope that the controversy between the United States and Japan on this subject could be settled by direct negotiations between them without involving her as a principal.

It has been the expectation of state department officers and of home foreign envoys here as well that the allied governments would admit the soundness of the American position.

With the Yap mandate question apparently still far from settlement, it is not thought likely that the international communications conference, which resumes its session tomorrow, will make any progress toward agreement on the disposition of the former German colonies.

Norman E. Davis, former under-secretary of state who, as chairman, called tomorrow's meeting, was in conference with Secretary Hughes several hours today.

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GEORGIA PLANTER GETS LIFE TERMS FOR "KILLING PEONS"



John S. Williams, wealthy planter, who was found guilty charged with the murder of eleven negroes on his farm, and sentenced to life imprisonment.

COURT REFUSED TO REVIEW I. W. W. CASE

Eighty Men Must Serve Terms For Trying To Interfere Work During War.

Washington, April 11.—William D. Haywood and 79 other industrial workers of the world who were convicted before Federal Judge Landis at Chicago in 1918 of attempting to obstruct the government's prosecution of the war, must return to federal prison as a result of the refusal today of the supreme court to review their conviction.

Haywood a former secretary of the I. W. W., and 14 others were sentenced to 20 years each and fined sums ranging from \$20,000 to \$35,000. They, and others, were sent to the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, but subsequently were released on bail bonds aggregating \$500,000 pending the outcome of their appeals.

JAPANESE SAILORS HELD UNDER BOND

They Are Charged With Bringing Whisky Into United States—26 Cases Seized.

Jacksonville, Fla., April 11.—Seven Japanese sailors, members of the crew of the Japanese steamer Eric Maru, were held in bond of \$1,000 each after a preliminary hearing before Federal Commissioner Noble, here, late today, on charges growing out of the seizure by federal officers Sunday night of 14 cases of whisky alleged to have been brought ashore by the sailors.

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DIRECT TELEPHONE SERVICE IS OPENED BY TWO COUNTRIES

Harding and Menocal Inaugurate Service Between United States and Cuba.

DISTANCE RECORD

Report of Wireless Operator On Pacific Island Heard 5,700 Miles Away.

MESSAGE OF FRIENDSHIP

Harding Declared United States' Friendship For Republic and Is Always Ready To Prove It.

Washington, April 11.—Direct telephone communication between the United States and Cuba was inaugurated late today by President Harding and President Menocal of the island republic, exchanging renewed assurances of friendship and good will.

Completion of the under-sea circuit was marked by a formal ceremony at the Pan-American building, where Mr. Harding, several members of his cabinet, and other high officials gathered at the Washington end of the wire while a similar group of notables participated at Havana.

As an added feature, Washington and Havana were connected by a wireless telephone operator at Catalina Island in the Pacific Ocean. The distance from Catalina to Cuba is 5,700 miles, and the feat was said to have established a new distance record for transmission of the human voice by a circuit of radio, wire and cable.

The ceremony here was in charge of the American Telephone and Telegraph company and the National Press club, and the invited guests, numbering several hundred, were provided with telephone receivers connected with the new circuit.

"I want you, President Menocal, and the government and people of Cuba, to know how gratifying it is to participate with you in this ceremony which signifies so much in the establishment of intimate and understanding relations between Cuba and the United States.

Havana, April 11.—Elaborate ceremony in honor of the inauguration today of telephonic communication between Havana and the United States.

SUB-CHASER IS SENT TO SCENE

Western Union's Work In Another Cable Halted By The Navy Department.

Miami, Fla., April 11.—While government officials today were filing in the supreme court a brief explaining the order restraining the Western Union from connecting its Miami-Barbadoes cable here, armed men of the crew of the United States sub-chaser 154 were being dispatched to halt work in connection with another Western Union cable in Biscayne Bay.

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MAJORITY IMPORTANT BILLS INTRODUCED IN HOUSE SESSION

They Included Soldiers' Bonus, Tariff, Tax Provisions and Immigration.

BONUS QUESTION

For A Left Taxation Program But Exacted Duplicate Was Put In.

FOR REAPPORTIONMENT

Blanton Proposes Reduction Of Congress Membership From 435 To 304 Per 1920 Census.

Washington, April 11.—Bills designed to cover some of the more important problems before the present congress were introduced today in the house.

While the "give-away" plan of veteran organizations, for deferred compensation to service men became house bill number 1, the tax question was foremost in the legislative proposals.

Chairman Fordney, of the ways and means committee, pushing forward the service men's bonus proposal, which provides for alternatives between cash payments, land settlement, insurance, vocational education, and home building, left out taxation proposals.

Representative Gulliver, Democrat, Massachusetts, put in an exact duplicate of the bill as passed by the house last session. In further aid to veterans, Representative Sweet, Republican, Iowa, introduced a bill to consolidate all boards and bureaus having to do with soldier rehabilitation.

Immigration restriction, decided upon by the last congress in enacting a bill limiting annual entrance of aliens into the United States to three percent of the total residents of each nationality in the nation as found by the 1910 census, was proposed by Representative Johnson, Democrat, Illinois, and a separate proposal for federal regulation of civilian aviation to accompany it.

Chairman Kahn, of the military affairs committee, again proposed a separate air corps, under a new executive bureau, to control military aviation and a separate proposal for federal regulation of civilian aviation to accompany it.

Abolition of the railroad labor board and repeal of sections of the transportation act under which it operated was proposed by Representative Titcher, Republican, Kansas. His bill would empower the interstate commerce commission to perform functions now assigned to the board.

Limiting federal reserve bank interest rate to five percent, by Brandt, Democrat, Georgia.

EFFORTS BEGUN TO SPEED UP COURT

Washington, April 11.—Efforts to speed up federal court proceedings were begun today at a meeting here of the lawyers committee for improving the federal judicial system.

Composed of state chairmen representing every state in the union, a resolution was adopted requesting the appointment of a joint committee of the senate and the house to consider and report to congress "such legislation as may tend to facilitate the dispatch of public business by federal courts and to make such other suggestions affecting the courts and the federal judiciary as the joint committee may deem advisable.

George W. Pepper, of Philadelphia, was named chairman of the committee to present the appeal to congress and the committee includes former Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia, and C. C. Carlin, of Alexandria, Va.

O'CALLAGHAN TO LEAVE BY JUNE 5

Davis Issues Orders For His Arrest If He Is In Country Then.

Washington, April 11.—Unless the courts intervene, D. O'Callaghan, lord mayor of Cork, who came to this country last January as a stowaway and without a passport, must depart on or before June 5.

Orders that immigration inspectors take O'Callaghan into custody should be found within the United States after that date were issued today by Secretary Davis of the department of labor.

O'Callaghan will remain in this country until he considers it safe to return to Ireland," Mr. Doyle said.

FARMERS DISCUSS SEVERAL PROBLEMS

A Program For Relief Of Farmers Will Be Presented To Congress.

Washington, April 11.—Lower transportation charges, economy in taxation, equal treatment under any tariff law, and short-time credits are among the subjects which representatives of farmers in three states began discussing here today preliminary to making up a program of legislation which will be asked of congress for relief of the agricultural situation.

The executive committee and delegates from state associations of the American Farm Bureau Federation began a series of conferences which are expected to continue for 10 days, and which include a meeting with President Harding and his cabinet Wednesday at the White House and with the joint agricultural committees of the senate and house and other members of congress Friday night.

In addition to receiving reports from their delegates today the committee was addressed by A. L. Leonard, member of the federal farm loan board, and held a round table discussion with Governor Harding of the federal reserve board.

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace is expected to meet with the delegates tomorrow to go over the tariff situation.

The national milk producers' association will meet here tomorrow and Thursday, representatives of these organizations are expected to meet with the national farmers' union, the grange, American Cotton association, national farm congress, and the national board of farm organizations.

Secretary Wallace announced today that a committee of livestock men in the west was taking up the question of developing a marketing organization for the grain market.

WWWV ADDRESSES NEW YORK AUDIENCE

He Made A Plea For Moral Solidarity Among Allies In Facing War Problems.

New York, April 11.—A plea for moral solidarity among the allies in facing post war problems was made by Rene Frenay, former premier of France, before an audience that packed Carnegie hall tonight.

"One of the greatest dangers today," he said, "is that Germany may be able to think that there are differences among the allies."

His address, delivered in French was the occasion of an all-American meeting the joint auspices of 26 war relief and patriotic organizations, to extend greetings to him at the virtual termination of his "mission of courtesy" to this country as envoy extraordinary of the French government.

He was introduced by Governor Nathan L. Miller, presiding officer.

Arrangements had been made to have the distinguished Frenchman's remarks interpreted, but the close of the address, Governor Miller announced that it had been decided "not to spoil or mar this marvelous work of oratory by an attempt at translation." Time after time during the address, the audience rose to its feet in applause.

"France does not ask Germany to pay the cost of the war," he said, "but for reparations for damages done in the invaded departments; not in war operations, but in wanton destruction of lives and property—even when she saw defeat staring her in the face. And when we asked that, we are told 'look at Germany.'"

RATES DECISIONS MAY BE GIVEN THE NEAR FUTURE

Volume Of Evidence In Gas and Telephone Cases Has Retarded Work.

RALEIGH POLITICS

Women To Play Important Part In Municipal Primary—Over 2,000 Registered.

A GOOD RECORD IS MADE

Deaths From Tuberculosis In 1920 In This State Makes Very Low Record With 2,865 Victims.

HERALD NEWS BUREAU, 402 Merchants Nat'l Bank Bldg. By JULE B. WARREN.

Raleigh, April 11.—Decisions on the gas company's petition and that of the telephone companies regarding rates will probably be handed down sometime in the near future, but it has been impossible to make these decisions because of the volume of evidence offered in both cases.

It has been a physical impossibility to get all of the evidence copied and read by each member of the commission during the time since the two hearings came to a close.

The word did come from those close to the commission before the hearing that the burden of proof should be on the temporary rates, and many who heard the evidence do not believe the companies proved that with the drop in coal and oil prices they are entitled to the increases.

The company contended that the earnings of the company since they were not a part of the Bell system, but Mr. Maxwell contended that the position of the company was that the property in it should be considered, and he was holding this in asking about profits to the parent company from the toll lines.

When these profits are taken into consideration together with the earnings of the Bell company during the year, it will be possible to show good returns on the investment, much better than in any other state in which the Bell system is operated.

Col. James M. Young, prominent negro leader of Raleigh, died at his home here this morning at 8 o'clock after a lingering illness of several months.

Col. Young was endowment secretary of the Massons lodge, and a member of the Odd Fellows had also honored him with places of honor and trust on many occasions.

Few men in North Carolina were held in higher esteem by the leaders of the colored race than was Col. Young. Through not an educator or minister, or engaged in other line of work that would have given him a position of natural leadership, his level head and sane ideas about negro problems put him in the forefront of the negro leaders in North Carolina.

He was consulted by the white people, state officials and others about negro problems, and had served on boards looking to the betterment of the condition of the negro race in North Carolina. He has always taken the position that the salvation of the negro was through co-operation with the white people, and while this position at times brought down on him the opposition of alleged leaders of his own race, he stuck to these principles to the end.

Municipal Politics Warm Up Women will hold the balance of power in the municipal primary which will be held in Raleigh on April 18 when selections will be made of a mayor and two commissioners and the judge of the city court.

Six thousand registrations, over a thousand are women. This is the first time the women have had an opportunity to participate in a municipal election for city officials, and they registered in large numbers. The women have voted in the home election in Raleigh, but they came across the city primary in larger numbers than for the school board.

Even then, however, the number of women registered was not as large as had been expected.

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