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Wilson Explains To Senate and House Foreign Relation Committees Giving "Good and Sufficient Reasons" DEBATE ON PROPOSITION RENEWED BY SENATE

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CUMMINGS WILL LEAD DEMOCRATS

National Committee Voted Complete Reorganization for Aggressive Campaign

FAVORS NATIONAL WOMAN SUFFRAGE

President Congratulated On His Achievements at Peace Conference

Washington, Feb. 26.—Homer S. Cummings, of Connecticut, was elected...

The resignation of Vance McCormick as chairman, tendered several months ago, was accepted formally with a resolution...

The reorganization contemplates that the standing officers of the committee shall include, in addition to the chairman...

The committee adopted a resolution greeting President Wilson on his return to the United States and congratulating him on his achievements at the peace conference...

ENDORSED PROPOSED LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 26.—The Protestant Episcopal synod of the Province of Washington went on record today without a dissenting word as endorsing the proposed league of nations...

The Rev. H. W. Diller, of the Provincial board of Religious Education, declared that the work of the chaplains in the army and navy had shown a startling lack of knowledge by soldiers and sailors of the elements of religion...

LEVER PUTS IN BILL REGARD TO COTTON FUTURES

Washington, Feb. 26.—Representative Lever of South Carolina, chairman of the Agricultural committee tonight introduced in the House a bill to amend the cotton futures act to reduce the number of deliverable grades of cotton from 20 to 10...

CUMMINGS HONOR GUEST AT DINNER

Secretary of Navy and Mrs. Daniels Are Hosts To National Committeemen

PROTESTS AGAINST BILL THAT DOES NOT EXIST

A Number of Tar Heel Postmasters Named; Other Washington News

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Washington, Feb. 26.—Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Daniels tonight were hosts for a dinner party, the guests being fifty members of the Democratic National Committee...

Homer S. Cummings, newly elected chairman of the Democratic National Committee, is a graduate of Yale, a lawyer of note and a conspicuous figure in the militant democracy of Connecticut...

As early as 1896 Mr. Cummings was the Democratic candidate for Secretary of State of Connecticut, and in 1902 was nominated for Congressman at large...

FRONTIER QUESTIONS UNDER DISCUSSION

Notes Exchanged By Japan and China Before Peace Conference

Paris, Feb. 26.—The allied representatives at their meeting at the Quai d'Orsay today discussed allocation of frontier questions affecting enemy states to various commissions for consideration...

In 1895 Mr. Cummings entered the law firm of Fessenden, Cater & Cummings. He retained that association until 1900, when he engaged in practice alone...

Mr. Cummings was born in Chicago, Illinois, April 30, 1870. He is the son of Uriah and Audie Schuyler Cummings. Of his ancestry, the paternal family, during the Revolution, living at Bennington, Vermont, is of English and Scotch extraction...

"Ireland Must Be Independent," Text of These Sinn Feiners



EDWARD DE VALERA



JOHN MILROY

De Valera is president of the Irish republic just set up by the Sinn Feiners and Milroy is one of its supporters. Both recently escaped from British prisons, where they were held because of their agitation against the British government...

CONSTABLE IS SHOT AND KILLED

O. B. Tyson, Wanted On Larceny Charge, Slays Johnston County Officer

(Special to the News and Observer.) Four Oaks, Feb. 26.—J. S. Stroup, constable of Four Oaks township, was shot three times and killed about two miles from here tonight by O. B. Tyson, a white man whom he sought to arrest for the larceny of a buggy and a rain coat...

REPUBLICANS TO NAME SPEAKER OF NEXT HOUSE AT MEETING TONIGHT

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CAMPAIGN MANAGERS PREDICT ELECTION OF THEIR RESPECTIVE CANDIDATES

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SENTENCES WHICH ARE TOO SEVERE TO BE MITIGATED

President's Power Will Be Resorted To in Court-Martial Cases

TO REVIEW SENTENCES SINCE WAR BEGAN

Practically All of Men Sentenced to Dishonorable Discharge and Imprisonment, Says Crowder, Have Had Dishonorable Discharge Provision Revoked

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 26.—Major General Crowder, Judge Advocate General of the Army, appearing before the Senate Military Committee today at a resumption of hearings on the court martial situation said that all imprisonment during the war had been effected through the President's power of remission...

General Crowder said within sixty days, the 5,000 sentences imposed since the beginning of hostilities would be reviewed by a special board headed by Brigadier General Samuel T. Ansell, who was acting judge advocate general during the war and whose testimony as to severity of court martial sentences led the committee to extend its investigation...

Practically all of the men sentenced to dishonorable discharge and imprisonment, he said, already have had the dishonorable discharge provision revoked. He added that 1,200 men sentenced to long terms at Leavenworth, Kansas, had been honorably restored to duty in the last year.

Provisions of the pending Chamberlain bill authorizing review by the Judge Advocate General of court martial sentences were opposed by General Crowder who said it would give the Judge Advocate General extremely broad powers to administer army discipline. He indicated that many times the field was in a better position to review the case.

Chairman Chamberlain read into the record of the hearing a confidential order on conscientious objectors which he said was sent to all camp commanders in the United States by Adjutant General Learned at the direction of Secretary Baker. The order as placed in the record follows:

"The Secretary of War directs that you be instructed to segregate the conscientious objectors in their division and to place them under supervision of instructors, who shall be specially selected with a view to insuring that these men will be handled with tact and consideration and that their questions will be answered fully and freely.

RECURRENCE NEXT WINTER OF "FLU" IS PREDICTED

Appropriation of \$300,000 for Study of Disease Carried in Congressional Bill

Washington, Feb. 26.—Recurrence next winter of the influenza epidemic which caused thousands of deaths in all parts of the country during the past five months was predicted today by Rear Admiral W. C. Braisted, Surgeon General of the Navy, in a letter to Representative Fees of Ohio, urging that an appropriation be made by Congress for research work to determine the cause of the disease and its cure.

An appropriation of \$500,000 for the study of diseases is carried in the sundry civil appropriation bill, now before the House, but Admiral Braisted said this would not be sufficient to undertake the research work on the necessary large scale. He recommended a special appropriation to be divided between the public health service, the surgeon general of the army and the surgeon general of the navy.

NEGRO SENTENCED TO ELECTRIC CHAIR APRIL 26

(Special to the News and Observer.) Kinston, Feb. 26.—James Warren, colored, was sentenced to die in the electric chair for the murder of Denver Hughes, a white merchant at Lizzie, last fall. April 26 was the date fixed by Judge Daniels at Snow Hill court.

ALL APPROPRIATION BILLS NOT LIKELY TO GET THROUGH

Wilson's Insistence That Necessary Legislation Be Disposed of Causes Tension

PRESIDENT WILL MARCH AT HEAD OF PARADE TODAY

He Will Probably Go To Capitol Today To Confer With Democratic Leaders in An Effort To Accelerate the Work of Congress; Tilts in The Senate

Washington, Feb. 26.—Although marked progress in disposing of legislation was made today by Congress after announcement that President Wilson would not call an extra session until after his return from Europe, administration leaders tonight still were extremely doubtful that all the necessary appropriations bills could be enacted.

There was considerable tension in the legislative situation at the capitol after it became known that the President was insistent that all necessary legislation be disposed of at this session. On the Senate floor and in private conversations Democrats and Republicans charged each other with responsibility for delay in action on important measures.

President Wilson had planned to go to the capitol this afternoon to confer with Democratic leaders in an effort to accelerate the work of Congress, but a prolonged meeting of his "war cabinet" prevented. He probably will carry out this program tomorrow before marching at the head of the parade in honor of District of Columbia troops.

Democratic Leader Martin today urged greater speed upon committee chairmen. He asked Democratic Senators to defer prolonged speeches and requested Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, and Senator Martin, of Missouri, to hasten their action on the sundry civil appropriation measure which was passed.

Measures finally completed today were the \$98,000,000 legislative, executive and judicial bill and the \$21,000,000 rivers and harbors bill. In the Senate the \$9,000,000 diplomatic and consular measure and the \$14,000,000 fortifications bill were passed and sent to conference, while the House approved the Victory Liberty Loan measure and sent it to the Senate. It is expected that the loan bill will be voted on tomorrow by the Senate Finance Committee and probably reported to the Senate.

The House took up the sundry civil measure and worked on it until late in the night, but the Senate adjourned at 7 o'clock because members of the Foreign Relations Committee were to confer with the President at the White House and because the Republicans insisted that a quorum should be present.

During Senate debate today sharp tilts occurred between Democrats and Republicans over the President's insistence that legislation be cleaned up. Senators Hitchcock and Overman of North Carolina, Democrats, urged speedy action on the calendar, while Senator Kellogg, of Minnesota, Republican, sharply disclaimed the suggestion made from administration sources that Republicans could be charged with responsibility for delays. Senator Thomas, of Colorado, Democrat, declared both parties were to blame and said that an extra session must be held.

GOVERNORS AND MAYORS TO ATTEND CONFERENCE ON LABOR PROBLEMS

Washington, Feb. 26.—Governors of fifteen States, lieutenant governors of two others and mayors of 32 cities thus far have accepted the invitation of Secretary of Labor Wilson to attend the White House conference beginning Monday for discussion of business and labor problems growing out of the ending of the war.

The meetings, which will continue three days, will be held in the East room of the White House and will be open. This will be the first time since President Roosevelt's administration that the famous room has been used for a public gathering. Secretary Wilson will open the conference at 10 o'clock Monday morning, and President Wilson will address the gathering half an hour later.

SCHOONER TOWED IN JACKSONVILLE FOR REPAIRS

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 26.—The schooner Lizzie M. Parsons was towed into this port today for repairs, with her main mast and mizzenmast and rigging carried away as the result of a gale 100 miles north of the Virginia Capes. The Parsons was bound to New York from Para with a cargo of cedar logs. After losing her masts she worked her way back down to the Florida coast and a tug brought her in.