

SENATOR CAPPER JOINS IN KICKING AGAINST HARDING

Former Colleagues of President In Senate Feel They Are Being Ignored PROMOTION OF ARMY OFFICER AROUSES IRE Kansas Senator Claims Major Peck Grossly Insulted National Guardsmen After Argonne Drive; General Pershing Picked To Stop Squabbling In Air Service of Army

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Washington, June 17.—Cumulative evidence shows that there is real trouble between Harding and members of the Senate as to patronage. They way the President is handing this out to his personal friends, the big bit already grabbed off by Marion and the rest of Ohio, and the "butting in" of cabinet officers in handing out fat slices of pie in various States which Senators feel should be distributed by them, the "hold up" of nominations in the Senate, all point to a bitter struggle to grow resentment on the part of Senators.

And over in the House there are Representatives who feel the same way, while State "bosses" are wondering what they were made for. Next year the Republicans will have to fight to hold the majority in Congress and the feeling is that appointments ought to be divided out so as to get the best results. Defenders of the course of the President are declaring that appointments made are based on merit and the desire of the President to give the best possible service to the country, but when there is asked the reason for the Harding personal Brigadier General Sawyer, for the Marion "small town" Banker Crissinger as comptroller of the currency, and such like cases there comes a silence.

Senator Capper Joins Kickers. Another kicker at nominations made by the President now arises in the person of Senator Capper of Kansas. He has requested the President to withdraw the nomination of Major Robert Gray Peck, infantry, to be lieutenant colonel. Senator Capper's objection to Major Peck is for the alleged attitude of that officer toward officers and men of the thirty-fifth division, a division composed almost entirely of men from the national guard of Kansas and Missouri. Directly Senator Capper charges that following an inspection of the division "after five days in the hottest fighting in the Argonne forest drive Major Peck used toward them most grossly insulting language."

Senator Willis is still fighting mad at the Charles H. Nauts nomination, because of his "personal objections" to his fellow Ohioan, and Senator Borah as well as various Republican Senators who have big numbers of negro voters in their bailiwicks are wanting the President to haul down the Linney flag, a red flag in the face of the negroes, because of the anti-negro attitude of Frank Linney in North Carolina, while Senator Hiram Johnson is wailing about the Dave Blair nomination.

Harding Backed Haynes. Incidentally President Harding is now being announced as the real backer of Roy Haynes as prohibition commissioner, that gave the word to Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and Commissioner of Internal Revenue Blair to appoint him, that bore the Harding approval. And the negroes are still prodding President Harding about the register of the treasury, which they insist should be a negro, following the precedent of other Republican administrations. They are backing Charles Cottrell, ranked as a leading negro politician of Toledo, Ohio, and reported as one of the main lieutenants of Attorney General Daugherty.

The protest of the 607 white women of the office of the register of the treasury against a negro chief over them has held up the appointment, for the women are not only Democratic women of the South, but they are of both parties, and they come from all sections of the country. When these white women came out into the open against a negro being put over them it "warmed something" in other government departments, and the "race issue" is being flung up. Negroes are in the air on the matter, and they are making life miserable for some Republican leaders with demands for their "rights." Outside of these patronage rows President Harding finds that there is balking going on among members of Congress on various measures, and he is not enjoying the troubles that multiply, the Harvey trouble among them.

Pershing to Stop Squabble. Despite the fussing between Major General Charles T. Menoher and Brigadier General William Mitchell of the air service, the army, Secretary Weeks says that the army will be ready for the bombing tests with the navy this month. That despite the fact that he has told General Mitchell that General Menoher is boss, he is considerably worked up over the squabble—every one realizes, but that there is a final settlement ahead from which burden he will escape seems to be evident. It is General Pershing who is going to turn the trick, if I am not very much mistaken, and I don't think I am. The gorkan knot offered by the trouble between the two heads of the army air service is in all probability going to be cut after this fashion: General Pershing will relieve both General Menoher and General Mitchell from the air service shortly after he takes over the office of Chief of Staff on the first of July. And I believe that I have it figured out right when I say that the successor of General Menoher as head of the air service will be Colonel "Bully" Bullard, an officer who has a record in aviation, for he has been in it from the

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ALL VARNER LITIGATION EXCEPT DIVORCE SETTLED

Greensboro, June 17.—All the Varner litigations except the divorce action, which grew out of the finding of Baxter McKary, wealthy Lexington negro, under the floor of the Varner home between 12:30 and 1 a. m., August 10, 1920, were settled this afternoon when attorneys from Lexington and local attorneys agreed upon compromises.

MRS. ANGIER DUKE SUES FOR DIVORCE

Wife of Son of North Carolina Millionaire Asks for Separation

Philadelphia, Pa., June 17.—Mrs. Cordelia Biddle Duke, daughter of Major and Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, of this city, filed suit in common pleas court No. 1 here today for divorce from Angier uhanua Duke, of New York. It was learned today. Although the grounds for the action are shrouded in mystery, it was recalled today that in December 1918 when the couple separated, it was asserted that their troubles arose over Mr. Duke's alleged attentions to an actress.

The action was foreshadowed several months ago when John C. Bell, former Attorney General, who is counsel for Mrs. Duke said that all efforts to attempt a reconciliation had failed and that suit for divorce would be instituted. Mr. Bell said at that time that suit would not be "seriously contested," by the defendant.

Refuse To Dismiss Case. Members of Biddle family refused tonight to discuss the suit. Mrs. Duke, her two children and her mother, who have been in Atlantic City, left there today for Philadelphia to remain until the suit comes up for hearing. Mr. Duke who is the son of Benjamin N. Duke, former treasurer of the American Tobacco Co., is in New York, where he has large interests.

Parents Opposed Her Marriage. Mr. Duke is 13 years older than his wife. He met her when she was only 15 years old and married her two years later, April 29, 1915, in Philadelphia. Her parents had intended to send her to Paris to complete her studies before making her debut, but the engagement interfered, and after an attempt to postpone the match by taking their daughter to Florida for an extended visit, Major and Mrs. Biddle consented and the marriage followed within a month.

Four Engineers Took Arms Aboard The Ship. Machine Guns Seized by Customs Officials in New York Smuggled Aboard

Norfolk, Va., June 17.—Members of the crew of the steamship Esat Side, upon the arrival of the vessel here today, declared that the machine guns seized by custom officers in New York harbor Wednesday night were placed aboard the ship by four engineers who, who left the vessel after the weapons had been confiscated. The engineers were Englishmen and not Irishmen, they declared. The Esat Side will sail from here to Dublin.

Organize Military Police. Daytona, Fla., June 17.—The town council of Ormond, an exclusive beach resort near here, tonight organized a "military" police force composed of 24 citizens who will set with the town authorities to forestall any mob activities. The volunteer police will be armed with 20-inch riot guns and have been instructed to fire upon any masked men who may invade this section.

LONG FIGHT OVER PACKING INDUSTRY IN CONGRESS ENDS

Senate Adopts Regulatory Bill Passed By House With Several Amendments SEVEN DAYS OF DEBATE PRECEDED ITS ADOPTION Measure Places Regulation of Packing Industry In Hands of Secretary of Agriculture; Forbids Packers to Engage In Unfair or Deceptive Practices In Trading

Washington, June 17.—The long fight in Congress over legislation to regulate the packing industry was finally ended today through adoption by the Senate 45 to 21 of the regulatory bill recently passed by the House. Several amendments by the Senate necessitate return of the bill to the House, which probably will order it sent to conference.

Passage of the House bill came after seven days of continuous and heated debate and after the Senate had voted down the bill reported by its agriculture committee and a measure offered by Senator Sterling, Republican, South Dakota. The House bill as passed provides for regulation of the meat packers of the country by the Secretary of Agriculture. The agriculture committee in which provided for regulation by a livestock commissioner was rejected 57 to 34 yesterday and today was defeated again 54 to 31. The Sterling bill with provisions similar to the committee measure except for regulation by the Federal Trade Commission went down to defeat 33 to 31.

The House bill on the final roll-call was supported by 27 Republicans and 18 Democrats and opposed by 15 Republicans and six Democrats. The more important amendments made by the Senate included one by Senator Kenyon, Republican, of Iowa, requiring packers and stockyard operators to keep such records and statements of account as the Secretary of Agriculture may require and authorizing the Secretary to prescribe uniform methods of accounting and to examine business methods.

Another amendment adopted is designed to remove the small butcher from the regulation. The bill as passed forbids the packers to engage in unfair or deceptive devices or practices, to apportion the supply by interdealing, to restrain commerce or create monopoly, or to manipulate prices by interdealing. It also prohibits stockyard operators from charging unreasonable rates or engaging in deceptive practices.

Have Road Hearing in Blowing Rock Monday Chairman Frank Page and Highway Commission To Investigate Mountain Roads

Lenoir, June 17.—There has been no change in the announcement of a meeting of the committee of the State highway commission to be held in Blowing Rock Monday. Chairman Frank Page and Commissioners Wilkinson, Dougherty, Cox and Hart are members of the commission. The visit of this committee will be for the purpose of looking over the Lenoir-Blowing Rock Turnpike and probably to look over the Yonahlossee turnpike and the road from Boone to Newland by way of Banner Elk and Valle Crucis.

Philippines Facing Bankruptcy, Wood Says Washington, June 17.—The Philippine government is facing bankruptcy, Major General Leonard Wood and former Governor General Forbes declared in a cablegram transmitted today to Congress by Secretary Weeks, who asked immediate action on a bill authorizing the island government to increase the limit of indebtedness from fifteen million dollars to thirty million dollars.

Henderson Churches Will Have Joint Summer Services Henderson, June 17.—The churches of Henderson have unanimously agreed to joint services for the summer months and with the joint services held in connection with the chautauque program and in charge of Rev. I. W. Hughes of Henderson, in the chautauque tent on next Sunday evening the program for the summer will be started and continued for the summer by meeting in turn at the various churches in our city. There will be no morning services, but the Sunday schools will continue as usual.

PLEDGE SUPPORT TO PACKING HOUSE WORKERS IN FIGHT

American Federation of Labor Condemns "Big Five" For Wage Reductions SUPPORTERS OF LEWIS DIVIDED IN ACTIVITIES Lone Delegate From Virginia Arrives To Cast Vote For Gompers For Re-election To Presidency; Brother of Thomas Mooney Appeals For Continuance of Fight

Denver, Col., June 17.—The American Federation of Labor in convention to day unanimously pledged its support to the packing house workers of the country in their fight against further wage reductions. The "Big Five" packers were condemned for attempting to reduce almost a million workers and their dependents to a degrading state of poverty with all its attendant deprivations, and thus came an "unfortunate condition that because of its far reaching results will also impede the progress of the nation."

Copies of the resolution were ordered submitted to President Harding, Secretary of Labor Davis, Secretary of Commerce Hoover, Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, Senator Kenyon and other legislative representatives interested in the packing industry and the packers. Charges Criminal Conspiracy. In making an appeal for organized labor to keep up its fight to free Thomas Mooney and Warren K. Billings convicted in connection with the San Francisco Preparedness Day bomb plot, John Mooney told the convention that these men were kept in prison by a "criminal conspiracy" on the part of the State of California.

The speaker, who is a brother of Thomas Mooney, said the chamber of commerce of San Francisco had "engineered this conspiracy." He also denounced two United States Senators, one of whom he accused of having contributed one thousand dollars "in blood money to aid the conspiracy." The other, he said, got ten thousand dollars for entering a witness in the Mooney case.

Interest in Lewis Candidacy Interest in whether John Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, would oppose President Samuel Gompers for re-election, continued at high pitch today. Lewis continued to maintain silence but it was learned that he had established headquarters at a local hotel, where representatives of the mine workers from all sections of the country were gathering.

Wilson Store Entered and Robbed Second Time Wilson, June 19.—For the second time within ten days the Welch Five and Ten Cent Store has been entered and merchandise to the amount of several hundred dollars taken and carried away. On their last visit their loot amounted to around \$400, and the artists who are of the softest pussy-footing class left not the slightest clue to their identity.

Lenoir Sheriff Finds Still on Own Plantation Kinston, June 17.—The nervous moonshiner extant has cast discredit upon the sheriff of Lenoir county. The sheriff has failed to identify him but hopes to make his acquaintance. He established a still on the Hull road plantation of Arden W. Taylor, the sheriff, and that on the main drainage ditch of the farm, within 30 paces of a field where Taylor's plowmen ply their plows. In announcing the raid on his own premises today Taylor said he suspected that some one of his neighbors had taken advantage of a thick fog on his place to manufacture the contrabrand.

Direct Solicitation Instead of depending on hearsay or a chance bit of information from an acquaintance, when you are in need of a job; go after the job in a direct, forceful way. Use THE WANT ADS in seeking just the kind of a position that you are best qualified to fill. THE WANTS will put you in touch with employers. THE WANTS will carry your application where it might not be possible to otherwise gain an interview.

Army Air Chiefs "Patch Up" Differences



Differences Between Major General Charles T. Menoher (left) and Brigadier General William Mitchell (right), chief and assistant chief, respectively, of the army air service, have been "satisfactory" composed by Secretary of War Weeks, it was announced in Washington yesterday. General Menoher has with drawn his letter requesting the relief of General Mitchell from his assignment. The two officers were called into conference yesterday by Secretary Weeks, who said the General was justified but that "such action would be undesirable and unfortunate at this time."

ATTEMPT TO SHOW GOOD INTENTIONS PROVIDES MEANS OF DISTRIBUTION

Southern Power Company Denies Effort To Have Steam Plants Scrapped Senate Measure Pending In House Would Distribute War Articles To State

Greensboro, June 17.—But little excitement was caused in Federal court here today as the trial of the case of the North Carolina Public Service Company and the cities of Greensboro and High Point against the Southern Power Company crept forward. Judge James E. Boyd, presiding, had announced that all the time necessary will be taken in hearing everything that there is to be heard about the case and the attorneys seem bent on having him hear the whole thing from a time when the North Carolina Public Service Company was not even a vision instead of a reality.

W. S. Lee, vice-president and chief engineer of the Southern Power Plant was put on the stand early this morning by attorneys for the defendant company and was kept there throughout the day being directly examined by W. S. O.B. Robinson until just before the court adjourned late this afternoon when A. J. Brooks began a volley of questions in the cross examination.

The cross examination tended to show that the Southern Power Company had never done a general retail business in either Carolina until it decided to compete with the North Carolina Public Service Company and had received a franchise at Salisbury. Mr. Brooks also had Mr. Lee confess that the Southern Power Company has its lines extended on Spray in an effort to refute the arguments made by the defense that their lines had been built here for the sole purpose of furnishing power and current to the two cities. Practically all of the questions throughout the day were either of a legal or technical nature and the answers more or less formal and expected. Judge Boyd was not called upon to decide a single moot question except as to objections which were comparatively few.

Present indications are that the hearing will last for several days but little has been done so far. The hearing will start again tomorrow morning. The first thing taken up by Mr. Robinson this morning was the submission of a contract executed by the High Point Electric company and the Southern Power company in 1908 for power and current. Mr. Brooks, objected and Mr. Robinson put Mr. Lee on the stand to prove that the contract was the bona fide agreement between the two companies.

Mr. Lee testified that the contract which was handed him was the one which had been executed between the two companies and pronounced the signature of O. N. Richardson, the secretary of the High Point Electric company predecessor to the North Carolina Public Service company, genuine. Further examination followed during which time a number of letters from Mr. Richardson to Mr. Lee regarding the building of a line to High Point by the Southern Power company were read. A number of letters dating from early in 1908 to the later part of the year were read and offered as evidence. The burden of the letters and of that part of the testimony offered by the vice president of the defendant company tended to show that the Southern Power company had not forced or demanded the High Point Electric company to dismantle its old steam plant but on the other hand that O. N. Richardson, secretary of the company, had made numerous offers to dismantle and sell the equipment for what could be realized from it.

N. C. FEDERATION BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUBS MEETS HERE

Good Representation at Convention From Many Clubs Throughout N. C. REPORTS SHOW CLUBS TO BE INCREASING IN SCOPE Mrs. W. T. Bost Brings Greetings From Raleigh Woman's Club; Report of Legislative Work of Federation Given By Mrs. Clarence Johnson

The second annual convention of the North Carolina Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club opened yesterday afternoon at the Raleigh Woman's Club with delegates in attendance from Chapel Hill, Asheville, Charlotte, Durham, Goldsboro, Salisbury, Winston-Salem and Wilson.

The afternoon session was given over to the usual formalities which usher in a convention. Miss Elsie Riddick, president of the Federation and also president of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Raleigh, gave the visiting delegates welcome from the local club. Reports of State officers followed Miss Riddick's opening remarks; these were from Miss Susan Iden, corresponding secretary; Miss Percy Garner, of Winston-Salem, treasurer; Miss Bernice Beischel of Greensboro, auditor and Dr. J. B. Winkelman, of Goldsboro, historian. The reports of local clubs given at this meeting showed the growth of the business women's organization throughout the State; and the advantages which its members derive.

Greetings From Raleigh. Mrs. W. T. Bost, as president of the Raleigh Woman's Club welcomed the delegates to Raleigh, and extended to them the hospitality of the Club house, where their sessions are to be held. "A greeting from one organization to another in this time of co-operation is more than a mere pleasantry; it is a joining hands for common purpose," said Mrs. Bost.

Mrs. Bost urged the importance of women's developing moral initiative, in order that they may carry out the humanitarian measures which they are at present striving to accomplish. The report of the work of the North Carolina Legislative Council of Women was given by Mrs. Clarence A. Johnson, of Raleigh, chairman of Legislation for the Federation. Mrs. Johnson reviewed the work of the Council in connection with the last General Assembly. She urged that the women in future should especially for the Australian ballot and the raising of the age of consent.

She told them to think for themselves on these matters, and to follow the dictates of their conscience and their reason. She emphasized the importance of the influence of the voters "back home" upon the legislators, and asked that the work of the Council at Raleigh be backed by the women throughout the State. A short, vital and immediate legislative program was advocated by Mrs. Johnson.

President's Report The report of Miss Elsie Riddick, president of the Federation showed that the organization has been constantly growing in members, in the number of local clubs in North Carolina and in influence. The Business and Professional Women's Clubs are now fully recognized as important associations of women. These clubs, according to Miss Riddick, are making a valuable contribution to community life in bringing the business women into closer contact with each other, and providing them opportunities for healthful recreation. The president said that the business women must love their jobs to be successful and efficient. She pleaded for the "touch of home" to greet the business woman coming home tired. She advocated the encouragement of recreation, efficiency and co-operation.

About Training Camp Mrs. T. W. Bickett, commandant of the Southeastern Division of the U. S. Training Corps Camp for Women at Asheville, presented the camp amusingly and inspiringly to the business women. Mrs. Bickett emphasized the fact that it was impossible for any one to be efficient without good health, and told how attending the camp was one of the most effective means of securing this. Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, State home demonstration agent, and first vice-president of the Raleigh Business and Professional Women's Club, addressed the business women on the subject of rest, recreation, diet and proper dress. Following the evening session, a reception was tendered the business and professional women by the Raleigh Woman's Club. The officers and directors of the State Federation and the members of the executive board of the Woman's Club were in the receiving line. Today's program will embrace short vocational talks by well-known and successful North Carolina business women at the morning session; a luncheon given by the Raleigh Business and Professional Women's Club to the visiting delegates; the election of officers and delegates to the National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio; a drive about Raleigh and vicinity; and the annual banquet, at which Hon. Josephus Daniels and Miss Mary Stewart of Washington, will be the chief speakers.

BAILEY BEATS MACCLEFIELD Bailey, June 17.—The Bailey baseball boys won their seventh straight game this afternoon by defeating Macclefield by a one-sided score of 8 to 2. The features of the game for the local boys were batting of Horner, E. Bunsette and Bullard and the pitching of Stett, who allowed only four hits and struck out seven.