

OLD GUARD NEEDS LANTERN TO FIND CAMPAIGN ISSUES

Can't Brag On Record of Congress in Making General Muddle of Legislation

LOOK TO CONFERENCES FOR TANGIBLE RESULTS

If Conference On Limitation of Armaments Does Anything, Republicans Will Use That; Hope Conference On Unemployment May Provide Something of Concrete Nature

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Washington, Sept. 16.—The indications now are that the Republicans are looking around with a search lantern to find some issue on which in the next election they will go to the people. The realization is soaking into their minds that Congress thus far has made a mess of things for Republican hopes of going to the people with the rallying cry of "see, behold, what wonderful things we have done."

One of these is the disarmament conference, or as it should be called, one that keeps taxes up, that if something is done by the conference that will really tend to reduce taxation that they will then be able to go to the people with the declaration that "we have cut taxes."

And the other thing that is looked to possibly having results to furnish ammunition for Republican big guns is the unemployment conference that is scheduled to begin before the close of this month.

Out of the conference itself they hope that there will be something evolved that will not alone promise relief to the jobless but will give them relief.

President Harding and Secretary Hoover are said to have great hopes that the conference will be able to accomplish something that will enable the executive branch of the government to throw itself into the breach, turn attention away from the utter failure of the Republican Congress to make a record in legislation.

It is unfair, un-American and coming from the government is without justification. This government can pay what is right and Congress if this is brought to its attention will not consider paying less.

"Wet" Forces Claim Victory The "wet" forces are claiming to have

NEW PHOTO FROM SOVIET RUSSIA, TROTSKY AND HIS STAFF



Leon Trotsky, Bolshevik Minister of War, with members of his staff inspecting Red forces in Moscow during a revolutionary celebration.

De Valera Indicates Desire To Continue Negotiations

Head of Irish Republic Sends Conciliatory Telegram To Premier George

NO FURTHER STEPS TO BRING ABOUT PEACE

Sinn Fein Leaders Surprised By Effect of Irish Letter Upon The Premier

London, Sept. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—In a telegram sent this evening to Premier Lloyd George at Chiswick, Scotland, Eamond de Valera is considered in high quarters in London to have indicated a desire for continuation of the negotiations looking to peace in Ireland which were terminated momentarily, at least, by Mr. De Valera's communication of earlier in the week insisting on the independence of Ireland and Mr. Lloyd George's cancellation of the conference with delegates of the Sinn Fein which he had proposed for next Tuesday.

"I received your telegram last night and am surprised that you do not see that if we on our side accepted a conference on the basis of your letter of September 7 without making our position quite clear Ireland's representatives would enter the conference with their position misunderstood, and the cause of Ireland's right irreparably prejudiced."

Up to a late hour tonight Mr. Lloyd George had no response but the consensus of opinion was that since neither side to the argument seemingly is desirous of a rupture in the negotiations there doubtless would be a further exchange of messages.

The general view in London is that the hitch has arisen because both Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. De Valera are compelled to keep an eye on the extremists in their respective cabinets, but that behind both there also is strong public opinion in favor of peace, this feeling being as strong in England as in Ireland.

From advice received in London the Sinn Fein leaders were surprised by the effect of Mr. De Valera's letter which induced Mr. Lloyd George to cancel the proposed conference. From these advices it would seem that the Sinn Fein leaders in Dublin hold the view that their leader's letter was unfortunately phrased, and that it is advisable to make a further attempt to bring about a conference.

Premier Lloyd George has not yet called the meeting of his cabinet, but it is expected this will be held early next week at Inverness or at Gairloch where the Premier is now staying. It is expected that there will be an early session of the Daily Pressman to consider the new aspects of the situation.

WESTERN EDITORS IN SHELBY FOR MEETING

Shelby, Sept. 16.—The Western North Carolina Weekly Press association held its quarterly convention here today at the Cleveland Springs hotel. The editors were welcomed to the city by Mayor J. T. Gardner and the response was made by Noah Howell, of Hendersonville.

VIRGINIA MERCHANT KILLED AS HE IS BOARDING TRAIN Leesburg, Va., Sept. 16.—John Monroe, member of a wholesale mercantile firm of Alexandria, Virginia was instantly killed this morning while trying to board a train on the Washington and Old Dominion electric railway company's line. The accident occurred at crossing a few miles from Leesburg.

SEABOARD'S WATER TANK COLLAPSES

Airmen's Bodies Reach Home Soil

Solemn Reception For Victims of Dirigible Disaster When British Ship Arrives

New York, Sept. 16.—Resting in flag-shrouded caskets, covered with masses of flowers and guarded by armed men of a friendly, foreign nation, the bodies of Commander Louis H. Maxfield and fourteen of his comrades—victims of the ZR-2 disaster—arrived home today on the British cruiser Dauntless.

It was a far different home coming than the victims had anticipated when they sailed several months ago for England to prepare and bring back the monster dirigible, the disaster to which on a trial flight, sent forty-two heroic men of two nations to their untimely death.

Far out at sea, the Dauntless was met by a destroyer division of the United States Navy. As it neared port, the escort was augmented by a fleet of seaplanes, representing the arm of the service for which the victims gave their lives.

The Dauntless proceeded directly to the Navy Yard in Brooklyn where British sailors tenderly carried the bodies from the deck of their craft and delivered them to the keeping of their former comrades in arm of the pier.

The fifteen caskets each draped in an American flag were carried on what is known as the after super-structure deck of the Dauntless. A monster gun, stretched over the bodies, arranged in three rows on the watercraft's deck.

Crew Stands At Attention. At each corner of the deck as the vessel was warped into its pier stood an armed sentry with head bowed and arms reversed. Forward of the platform was a non-commissioned officer, and aft an officer in full dress uniform having a rank equal to that of Commander Maxfield.

At the Dauntless passed quarantine a navy tug carrying Captain C. M. Tozer, representing the Secretary of the Navy, and Commander C. R. Robinson, representing the commandant of the Navy Yard went alongside and the American officers climbed aboard.

At the Navy Yard the Dauntless brought aboard the Brazilian Battleship Minas Geraes whose entire crew was standing at attention on deck. A company of blue-jackets and a company of marines acted as an escort to Commander Maxfield and his staff, who were in waiting to receive the bodies.

When the Dauntless was made fast, her commander, Captain Gilbert Stephenson and his staff, together with the American officers on board took their places near the ship end of the gangway. A whistle sounded and the

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Is Thrown Upon Mercy of City For Sufficient Water To Operate Trains

Collapse of the Seaboard Air Line water tank at Crabtree Creek, a mile north of Johnson street yard, yesterday threw the Seaboard upon the city of Raleigh for supply of water sufficient to operate its trains through Raleigh and effected an added strain upon the constantly receding waters in Lake Raleigh.

According to measurements, the impounding reservoir is losing half inch of water each day and in spite of warnings and ordinances the utmost vigilance is required by the city authorities to prevent the use of water for restricted purposes.

The collapse of the Seaboard tank took place at midnight Thursday, leaving the Seaboard's nearest available water supply at Apex, fifteen miles south, and one at Youngsville, twenty miles north, both too far to be serviceable.

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Forty Quarts Liquor Consumed At Party. Los Angeles, Sept. 16.—More than forty quarts of liquor were consumed in the party in Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuclie's suite in a San Francisco hotel that ended with the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, according to information given Federal officers here last night by Frederick Fischback a member of the party, it was announced today by Robert Camarillo, Assistant U. S. District Attorney.

Twenty bottles of whiskey, Mr. Camarillo said Fischback told him, were taken in Arbuclie's car from Los Angeles to San Francisco, and while he was at the hotel a can of gin was taken to Arbuclie's suite by "a tall thin man" and other liquor by "a dark stranger."

Charlotte, Sept. 16.—Today was textile day and "Educational Day" and at the Made in Carolina Exposition. Between 400 and 500 textile superintendents, overseers, owners and directors here today to attend the semi-annual convention of the Southern Textile Association were on the grounds during the day also between 8,000 and 9,000 graded school children.

ARBUCKLE HELD ON CHARGE OF MURDER; REMAINS IN JAIL

Movie Comedian Unable To Use Reservations Made For Trip To Los Angeles

FIRST CHAPTER WILL BE WRITTEN THURSDAY

Prosecution's Decision To Go To Trial On Murder Charge Surprise To Defense; District Attorney Backed By County; Investigating Transportation of Liquor

San Francisco, Sept. 15.—With the formal announcement today that Roscoe C. ("Fatty") Arbuclie, motion picture comedian, would be prosecuted on a charge of murder in connection with the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, actress, following a Labor Day party in the actor's hotel room here, both the prosecution and defense squared away tonight to arrange for the trial, the first chapter of which will be written next Thursday when the prisoner will enter a plea.

When District Attorney Matthew Brady in the court of Police Judge S. J. Ivin Lazarus today announced that "the people are ready to proceed on the murder charge," he blasted hopes of the defense that Arbuclie would tonight be at liberty on a \$5,000 bond set by the court when a grand jury indictment charging the defendant with manslaughter was returned.

From Los Angeles came reports that Arbuclie had already made train reservations for a trip from San Francisco to that city this evening. Murder is not a bailable charge in California. The reservations, if made, cannot be used.

County Provides Funds. District Attorney Brady has the support of the board of county supervisors in his prosecution of Arbuclie. It was shown today when the finance committee of that body appropriated \$1,000 for immediate expenses of the trial and promised more when needed. Brady had asked the board for additional funds, declaring much wealth would be expended by the defense.

Mrs. Babina Maude Delmont, who swore to the murder charge on which Arbuclie today appeared in court, viewed Miss Rappe's body today and is reported to have suffered a partial collapse.

Robert H. McCormack, assistant United States attorney general in charge of liquor prohibition prosecutions, said he expected to present to the Federal grand jury on Tuesday evidence that liquor was served and consumed at the party given by Arbuclie in which Miss Rappe was alleged to have received her fatal injuries.

In addition to his other troubles Arbuclie may suffer the loss of his custom made automobile and to have cost \$25,000. Government officials said if it is shown that liquor was transported from Los Angeles to this city in the automobile it is liable to confiscation.

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Mr. Arbuclie has been chairman of the county Republican executive committee for nine years. Dr. Clarence E. Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, will be the principal speaker Saturday at the Made in Carolina exposition. Saturday has been named Farmers Day.

TAXI DRIVERS PETITION FOR LOWERING OF RATES

Washington, Sept. 16.—Taxi drivers have petitioned the municipality of Havana to lower the standard rate as they find they can get existing charges one third and still make a profit by substituting alcohol for gasoline as motive power for automobiles according to a report to the commerce department today from P. L. Cable, American charge d'Affaires at Havana.

"A strong movement is taking place in Cuba" he said, to replace gasoline as the motive power for self propelled vehicles by alcohol. The alcohol is produced from the waste of sugar and is a Cuban product. The average cost of gasoline today is fifty cents a gallon while that of alcohol varies between thirty and thirty-five cents.

STATE BAR PAYS HONOR TO ALLEN

Memorial Service Held In Supreme Court Room For Associate Justice

In accord with a venerable custom, the bar of the State and the Supreme court paid honor to the memory of the late Associate Justice W. R. Allen, in resolutions adopted by the bar, presented to the court and ordered spread upon the records.

It was at nine o'clock that the bar of the State met in the Supreme Court room with Governor Cameron Morrison presiding. A committee composed of Judge J. Crawford Biggs, M. T. Dickinson, T. W. Bickett, D. H. Bland, and W. H. Ruffin, brought in the resolutions, which the bar adopted after Governor Bickett, Judge W. A. Hoke and Governor Morrison had spoken in brief tribute.

With Judge W. M. Bond, holding court in Wake County, sitting with them, the Chief Justice and the associate justices of the Supreme Court took their places on the bench at ten o'clock. Assistant Attorney General Frank Nash presented the resolutions to the court and they were ordered spread upon the records of the court. Chief Justice Clark paying a fitting tribute to the late Associate Justice.

Members of Goldsboro attorneys, members of Judge Allen's family from Goldsboro and Kinston were together with attorneys from other parts of the State attended the ceremonies. Among these were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Matt H. Allen, W. R. Allen Jr., Oliver H. Allen Jr., Miss Cary Moore Allen, Judge Oliver H. Allen, Reynolds Allen, and C. M. Allen and attorneys, M. T. Dickinson, George E. Hood, D. H. Bland, E. M. Land, W. A. Dees, K. C. Royall, and George K. Freeman.

Resolutions Adopted. The resolutions adopted follow: "Associate Justice William Reynolds Allen, son of the late Colonel William A. Allen and Mariah Hicks Allen, was born at Kenansville, Duplin county, North Carolina in the year 1860. He was prepared for college by Mr. Richard Millard at the Seminary in Kenansville and entered and graduated from Trinity College where he came under the influence of that great teacher Dr. Braxton Craven, President of the College."

"He read law with his father and stood his examination for license in January 1881, but being under twenty-one years of age his license was withheld until he attained his majority. From that time he was a practitioner of the law, and entered into a partnership with his father in Kenansville, but within a few months both the father and the son moved to Goldsboro where they practiced together until the death of Colonel William A. Allen, when Judge Allen formed a partnership with the late Chief Justice Fancholt, which partnership continued for several years. In 1889 he and the late William T. Dortch entered into a partnership under the firm name of Allen and Dortch, and they practiced together until 1894, when Gov. Carr appointed Judge Allen a Judge of the Superior Court to fill out the unexpired term of Judge Spicer Whitaker who had resigned. In the election of that year the Democratic ticket was defeated and Judge Allen returned to his law practice in the firm of Allen and Dortch in Goldsboro, where he continued until the year 1902 when he was elected to the Superior Court bench, and after occupying that office for eight years, he was, in 1910, elected Associate Justice of the State Supreme Court, and was elected for a second term in the year 1918.

"Besides his long and eminent service on the Superior Court and Supreme Court benches, Judge Allen rendered great public service as a member of the State Legislature, his first term being in the Legislature in 1893, when he was appointed by Speaker Lee S. Overman as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee of that body. Although he was then only thirty-three years of age. He was again elected a member of the Legislature in 1899 and together with his associates, Connor, Justice, Rountree, Winston, Daniels, Craig, Travis and others, prepared that great document, the Constitutional Amendment, which was so well framed and just in its provisions that no attempt has ever been made to attack it as in contravention of the Constitution of the United States.

"Judge Allen was again elected to the Legislature and served his third term in the General Assembly of 1901, where he took a leading part in framing the important legislation of that session as he had done in the previous sessions.

"Before his elevation to the Bench Judge Allen enjoyed an extensive practice and appeared in the important cases in Wayne and the neighboring counties, and established a reputation for great ability, learning and clear cut reasoning. His knowledge of the decisions of the State Supreme Court was remarkable, and, in the opinion of many lawyers, he was in this respect, without an equal. The occasion was rare when he could not, off hand, cite a North Carolina case in point on any question of law that might arise.

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The House proposal for taxing life insurance companies was approved except that they would be required to pay a 15 per cent tax on their investment income, effective as of last January 1, instead of a 12 1/2 per cent rate. The present taxes on premiums would be repealed as of next January 1. Fire, marine and other insurance companies would be taxed as at present except that the higher corporation income tax would be imposed.

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READY TO REPORT TAX MEASURE FOR ACTION BY SENATE

Finance Committee Finishes Revision of House Tax Bill But No Vote Taken

GATHER LOOSE ENDS UP AT MEETING TODAY

Rearrange Income Tax Schedules But Retain Increased Exemptions; Bachelors Receiving Less Than \$5,000 Annually Get No Relief Under Proposed Tax Measure

Washington, Sept. 16.—Revision of the House tax bill virtually was completed today by the Senate finance committee which under the present agreement will report to the Senate a measure having these outstanding proposals: Repeal of the excess profits tax as of next January 1, as proposed by the House.

Reduction of the income surtax rates from a maximum of 65 per cent to 32 per cent effective next January 1.

An increase in the corporation income tax from 10 per cent to 15 per cent, effective next January 1, instead of 12 1/2 per cent as proposed by the House.

Retention of the present rates on express packages and oil by pipe lines, and retention of the taxes on freight and passengers for the calendar year 1922, only at half the present rates of 3 per cent and 8 per cent respectively. The House proposed repeal of all of these taxes as of next January 1.

Rearrange Income Taxes. In agreeing to the House maximum surtax rate of 32 per cent the Senate committee adopted 1922 a rearranged schedule of rates under which individuals having incomes of from \$5,000 to \$6,000 would be relieved of the present surtax of 1 per cent. Beginning with incomes of \$6,000 and ending with those of \$20,000 the rate in each bracket would be reduced 1 per cent. In the brackets from \$20,000 to \$30,000 the existing rates would be increased one per cent and in the brackets from \$30,000 to \$60,000 the present rates would stand. Incomes of \$60,000 or more would be taxed at the maximum rate.

Members of the committee explained that through this plan and the increased exemptions allowed to heads of families and on account of dependents, there would be a reduction of the income taxes all along the line except in the case of single men having incomes of \$5,000 or less.

The loss in revenue through the rearrangement of the surtax rates was estimated by Treasury experts at \$18,000,000, making the total annual loss in individual income taxes \$178,000,000 including \$90,000,000 through reduction of the maximum surtax rates and \$70,000,000 through increased exemptions to heads of families and on account of dependents.

A final vote on the bill was deferred today until next Wednesday but the committee will hold another session tomorrow to gather up loose ends. At that time Senator Smoot will offer his substitute bill and Senator Calder, Republican, New York, plans to introduce his proposal for a tax of \$5 a barrel on 275 per cent.

Removes Tax on Medicines. The committee reconsidered today its decision to include in the bill a manufacturers' tax of two per cent on proprietary medicines, and adopted the House proposal to remove all taxes on these articles. Its proposal for a four per cent tax on cosmetics, perfumes, and toilet preparations in lieu of the present stamp taxes, effective next January 1, stands, however.

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"S" and any attempt be made to hold the meeting in defiance of this order," the board's announcement says, "any person who attempts to attend it will be regarded as an unpatriotic citizen and a law violator and will be dealt with accordingly."

THREE ARMY AVIATORS ARE KILLED IN AIRPLANE WRECK Dallas, Texas, Sept. 16.—Lieutenant Armstrong and two enlisted men, Sergeant Gibson and White from Post Field, Fort Sill, Okla., were killed at Love Field, Dallas, today, when an army de Havilland observation plane went into a spin at an altitude of about 150 feet and crashed to earth. The machine burst into flames as it struck the ground.