

FRENCH MINISTRY HEADED BY BRIAND WILL FALL MONDAY

Small Vote of Confidence Leads to Determination to Offer Resignation

PREMIER HAS BEEN CONSTANTLY ABUSED

Radical Socialists in Chamber of Deputies Immediate Cause of Downfall

PARIS, Feb. 25.—Premier Briand and the members of his cabinet will resign on Monday. They reached this decision this afternoon at a conference in the premier's office when the political situation was thoroughly canvassed from beginning to end.

Much Uncertainty. There is much uncertainty tonight as to what will happen. Whether President Fallieres, after taking counsel with the leaders of the parliamentary group, will ask M. Briand to form a new ministry.

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AN EXTRA SESSION WILL BE CONVENED ON APRIL FOURTH

Provided Senate Does Not This Week Pass Reciprocity With Canada

CLARK AND UNDERWOOD SEE PRESIDENT TAFT

Democrats Want Month to Frame Policy of Sixty Second Congress

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—So probable is it that an extra session of congress will be necessary in order to get action on the Canadian reciprocity agreement that President Taft has fixed April 4 as the date on which such a session may be called.

There was no change in the situation in the senate today regarding the Canadian reciprocity agreement and the leaders see no hope of bringing to a vote at this session the McCall bill to carry the agreement into effect.

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STATE WILL LEND AID TO COUNTIES FOR BETTER ROADS

Amount For Any One County is Limited to Not More Than \$200,000

BILLS ON CALENDAR MUST TAKE CHANCES

Question of Deficit in Treasury Made Special Order in Senate Tuesday

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 25.—The house passed on second reading the committee bill that would authorize the state to endorse county bonds for road improvements to the amount of not exceeding \$200,000 for any single county.

The senate and house hold a joint session at one o'clock for the election of a great number of trustees for the University of North Carolina, whose terms expire in 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915.

The senate passed the bill to establish a state school for feeble minded, providing \$60,000 bond issue and annual maintenance appropriations of \$50,000; also the bill amending the general state drainage law and the bill to incorporate the Greensboro, Roxboro and Norfolk Railroad company.

The bill by Senator Graham to provide for the deficit in the state treasury by empowering the state treasurer to issue short term notes until revenues enable him to meet the obligations, and for bonds to refund those falling due January, 1913, is made a special in the senate for Tuesday night. The house has already passed such a bill.

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FAILURE TO VOTE ON LORIMER MEANS NO APPROPRIATIONS SAY SEN. BAILEY

Texas Senator Threatens to Start Filibuster in Senate Unless Lorimer Case is Reached.—Question Before Senate But Goes Over as no One Was Ready to Speak.—McCumber on Reciprocity.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Senator Hale today severely arraigned the weather bureau for inefficiency. His criticisms were offered while the agricultural appropriation bill, carrying \$17,000,000, was before the senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The state department officials are inclined to believe that too broad a construction has been given to the action of the Canadian officials at Winnipeg in stopping a party of negroes from the United States who sought to cross the boundary into Western Canada.

PITTSBURG, Kan., Feb. 25.—Mrs. Gus Joseph, postmistress at Fuller, a coal camp near here, was held up by two highwaymen last night and robbed of \$10,000 which she had just received by express.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Scientists of the public health and marine hospital service after an extended review of the latest investigations of pellagra and its possible relation to corn, are in as much doubt as ever as to the real cause of the disease.

ST. PAINE, Ala., Feb. 25.—E. C. Drew, president of the Fort Paine Fuel and Iron company who was under a \$5,000 bond on two charges for operating an alleged lottery and for using the mail to defraud, was this afternoon surrendered by his bondsmen to United States Deputy Marshal Willis, of Birmingham.

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 25.—Blindness has been cured here by a surgical operation. Two weeks ago Nathan Spilberg, without premonition, was stricken suddenly totally blind at his desk in school.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Chas. D. Hilles, of Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., at present assistant secretary of the treasury, has accepted the position of secretary to the president offered to him by President Taft in succession to Chas. Norton.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 25.—It is no less the duty of a state court than of United States courts to refuse a state law which conflicts with the constitution of the United States.

AMITE CITY, La., Feb. 25.—It is claimed that the damage to strawberries and other crops in this vicinity as a result of cold weather of the past few days will reach half a million dollars.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The national racquet championship title today by defeating J. Gordon Douglas three out of four games.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 25.—The National Bowling Association tournament opened here tonight when Mayor Louis P. Furman and 17 other prominent devotees of the game sent a ball rumbling down the 18 brand new alleys at the Broadway armory.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR PEACE IN HONDURAN REPUBLIC REACH DEADLOCK STAGE

All Envoys Suggest Names for Provisional President of Country

DAWSON IS HOPEFUL

PUERTO CORTEZ, Honduras, Feb. 25.—Via wireless to New Orleans.—The peace conference between the envoys of provisional President Manuel Bonilla and President Davila is still deadlocked. Rosales is contending for the selection for temporary president of one of his three men suggested, claiming that all of them are non-partisan.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The great forest fires of last fall cost the government \$1,050,000 for the actual expense of fighting the flames, according to statements made by Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture before the appropriations committee of the house.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 25.—Aviator McCurdy made two successful flights from Bethesda park here today before a large crowd.

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HOUSE MAKES NEW RECORD IN RAPIDITY OF PASSAGE OF APPROPRIATION BILL

Great Part of Sundry Civil Bill Goes Through Without Question

CARRIES \$140,000,000

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—In passing the sundry civil bill, carrying approximately \$140,000,000 tonight the house of representatives made a new record. Never before in the memory of the capitol attaches has the sundry civil bill, the biggest of all the supply bills, been put through the house in two days under the general rules and without a "gag" of any sort resorted to.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Feb. 25.—Rev. Dr. Berryman Green of the faculty at the Episcopal theological seminary here, has just declined a second time the office of assistant coadjutor of the diocese of Virginia.

MAY PAY WITH CHECKS

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POSTMISTRESS HELD UP BY MASKED ROBBERS AND TEN THOUSAND TAKEN

But They Missed Two Other Packages Containing Twice That Amount

AT RAILWAY STATION

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MUCH DAMAGE FROM COLD

WINNACQUET CHAMPIONSHIP

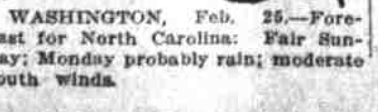
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Forecast for North Carolina: Fair Sunday; Monday probably rain; moderate south winds.



FORTIFICATION OF PANAMA CANAL IS DECIDED BY HOUSE

Three Million Dollars Appropriated Last Night For Preliminary Work

OVERWHELMING VOTE AFTER LONG DEBATE

Tawney Argues That Action Will Invite Destruction of Canal by Europe

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—After nearly five hours of debate the house of representatives shortly before 10 o'clock tonight voted overwhelmingly in favor of the policy of fortifying the Panama canal, and appropriated three million to begin the work, the total cost of which has been estimated at \$12,000,000.

The fortification of the canal was provided for in the sundry civil bill but was considered in the house practically as a separate measure and after all the other items of the sundry civil bill had been disposed of. The debate began shortly after 5 o'clock.

Representative Tawney in opposing fortification declared that if such a proposition had arisen at the time the Panama canal was first contemplated its construction never would have been authorized.

JUSTICE LURTON SPEAKS OF BROADENED HORIZON OF SOUTH SINCE WAR

Affections No Longer Limited by Border of Various States

PEWTER PLATE CLUB

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 25.—It is no less the duty of a state court than of United States courts to refuse a state law which conflicts with the constitution of the United States.

Justice Lurton, referring to slavery as the "source of the power as well as the weakness" of the South in time past, declared as a by-theword that slavery has disappeared and with it has vanished every special reason for jealousy of the powers of the union and its courts.