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CONGRESS MEETS MONDAY MORNING AT CALL OF HARDING

Washington, April 11.—The 67th Congress assembled promptly Monday morning at the call of President Harding for its first session, expected now to continue probably until fall.

Except for the re-organization of the house and the usual flood of bills there, today's meetings were somewhat perfunctory, the Congress marking time until the re-opening tomorrow of President Harding's first message outlining his views as to the many important problems before the national lawmakers.

This congress is the first controlled by the republicans to meet under a republican administration in a decade. The senate previously had been organized at its special session, which began last March 4, but the house proceeded to its organization by re-electing Speaker Frederick H. Gillett, of Massachusetts, over Claude Kitchin, of North Carolina, the democratic candidate.

The vote was on a strictly party basis and Mr. Gillett was elected by a 215 to 197 majority. Frank W. Mondell, Wyoming, was elected republican leader while Representative Claude Kitchin became the democratic leader by virtue of his nomination for the speakership. He succeeded the late Champ Clark.

Nearly all of the 400 members were present for the opening. The crowded galleries broke into applause when Miss Alice M. Robertson, republican of the second Oklahoma district, the only woman member of congress came on the floor. She carried a bunch of red roses.

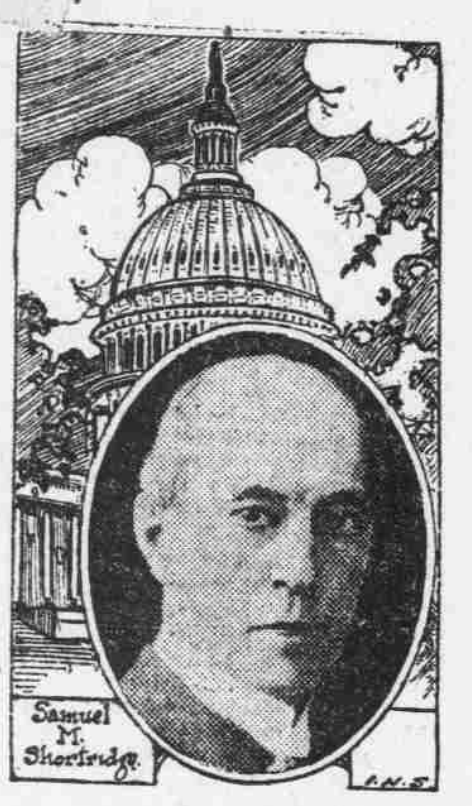
Miss Robertson was one of the more than 100 new members, most of them republicans, who answered the first roll call. Most of them stood in groups of three or four. When they took the oath to be sworn in.

After a thousand bills and resolutions, many of which failed to get through the last session, were thrown under the rug, the house got under way. There was no peace resolution in the lot, this being held back to await the views of President Harding.

Right at the top of the list of bills was the Fordney emergency tariff, named by Mr. Wilson, but brought in under a new name, precisely in its old form except with a stipulation making it effective six months instead of ten.

Introducing Our New Senators

NO. 3. Samuel Morgan Shortridge (Republican) Prominent Pacific Coast Lawyer Now U. S. Senator from California, Succeeding Mr. Phelan.



Mr. Reader: Meet the silver-tongued orator from the West Coast, Samuel Morgan Shortridge, who replaces Mr. James D. Phelan as United States Senator from California.

As a young man he knew hard work in the mines of Nevada City, Cal. He was admitted to the bar in 1894. When a young man he taught school in Oregon.

OFFICIALS BUSY SHAPING DETAILS FOR AUTO SHOW

Doors Will be Opened at 8 O'clock Monday Night With Band Concert

THE AUTO SHOW

HOW TO GET THERE. West on West Trade street to Cedar; South on Cedar street to First; one block to the west on First street.

MONDAY PROGRAM. Concert to begin at 8:30 o'clock. Pryor and his band, Arthur Pryor conductor.

Soloists: Margaret Travers, soprano; Leon Handzik, cornet; Morris Hamilton, cornet; Harold Stambaugh, cornet; Fryor and his sextette; Joseph Sassano, xylophone.

PART I. 1. Overture—"Tancredo" Rossini

2. Scenes from "Irene" Tierney 3. Trio for cornets "The Three Solitaires" Herbert

Messrs. Hendzik, Hamilton and Stambaugh 4. Humoresque—"In a Clock Store"

5. Sextette—"Lucia" Donizetti Pryor and his sextette

6. "Second Hungarian Rhapsody" Liszt

PART II. 7. "A Tour Through Scotland" Lambie

8. "Hungarian Fantasia" Sassano 9. (a) "Pleasant Blues" Kleckman

(b) "The Whistler and His Dog" Pryor

10. Soprano solo—"Il Bacio" Arditi

Margaret Travers, soprano; Miss Marion Harris, Syncopeation

1. Southern Girl; 2. Silver Lining; 3. I'm Nobody's Baby; 4. I Ain't Got Nobody; 5. St. Louis Blues; 6. Everybody But Me.

Officials of the Carolina Automobile Show and a corps of workmen have been engaged throughout the day in completing preparations for the big event which will open Monday night at 8 o'clock in the building owned by the Standard Oil Company at First and Clark streets.

The doors will be opened one-half hour before the musical concert, which will consist of several orchestral pieces by Arthur Pryor's famous band and solos by Misses Margaret Travers and Marion Harris.

Exhibitors were expected to complete their task of placing their cars and trucks and arranging their spaces by late afternoon. Each space will be elaborately decorated, carrying out the general scheme of the building.

Committees in charge expressed confidence that the opening night will be featured by an unusually large attendance. Out-of-town visitors to the show have begun to arrive Monday morning and hotels reported many reservations for each day during the week.

Guides have been posted along the street from each of the four railway stations for the convenience of visitors.

The "Red Arrow" is the official guiding sign placed for the public's benefit. These run from the stations to Independence Square, thence down West Trade street to Cedar, and thence to First street.

The show building is one block to the west on First street. The roadway is paved to the building and parking space has been provided in a lot on the opposite side of the street.

Captain Pryor and his band, Miss Marion Harris, Miss Carmela Ponselle and Miss Margaret Travers arrived Monday morning and have rooms at the Hamilton hotel.

Miss Barbara Maurell, the fourth of the singers, will not reach the city until Friday, singing at the Friday and Saturday concerts.

John Willis, president of the Myrtle-Knight Automobile Company, and head of several other large manufacturing establishments, and R. A. Strahan, president of the Chapman Spark Plug Company, will be guests of the show.

The officials of the Charlotte Automobile Trades' Association are as follows: H. D. Horton, president; O. L. Barringer, vice-president; W. M. Jones, secretary; Directors: Lee A. Folger, Fred Anderson, E. M. Wallace and T. M. Glasgow.

The show opening Monday night is the second which the association has held, the one last year proving immensely successful and proving a great aid in bringing before the people the prominence of Charlotte as an automobile center. This year's event is expected to exceed in success the show of last year.

Though the show will not be open Monday afternoon the opening hour for the remainder of the week will be at 1 o'clock.

SUFFERED FROM COLD. Nashville, Tenn., April 11.—This Jordan suffered a visitation of frost and ice during the night, the former being heavy and the damage widespread. The ice formed on shallow water.

FIVE INCHES OF SNOW. Cumberland, Md., April 11.—Five inches of snow is reported at Rowlesburg, W. Va., a few miles west of Oakland, with temperature of 23. Snow has been flying in this section all Sunday.

Judge Jeter C. Pritchard Died Sunday After A Long Illness

Asheville, April 11.—With a proclamation from Mayor Gallatin Roberts requesting all business in Asheville to suspend for ten minutes Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, this city, together with several other smaller places in western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee, plans to pay its last respects to Judge Jeter Conley Pritchard, presiding officer of the fourth circuit United States court of appeals, who died here Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, after a long illness, death being due to pneumonia. Judge Pritchard was in his 64th year.

The funeral, to be held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Baptist church, this city, of which the deceased was long a prominent member. Interment will be in Riverside cemetery, this city, where also rest the remains of another distinguished North Carolinian, Zebulon B. Vance, war governor and for 25 years senator from this state.

Judge Pritchard succeeded Mr. Vance as United States senator from North Carolina.

All business, including the stopping of traffic, will suspend for ten minutes tomorrow and already extra chairs and

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LARGER CUTS IN PROPERTY VALUE NOT COMMENDED

Revision Board Will Not Allow Drastic Reducing With Legislation.

By JULE B. WARREN. Staff Correspondent of The News.

Raleigh, April 11.—Heavy reductions in the value of property are not likely to stand the purging process which all of these revisions will have to undergo before they can be certified by the new tax commission as the proper basis for taxation, in the opinion of some members of the state administration who have given a great deal of time and study to taxation matters. The new state tax commission, sitting as a board of review, is required, not allowed, but required by the law to adjust values in the different counties so that the property values in Cherokee will be made on the same basis as are those of the Piedmont counties in central North Carolina or Dare county in the East.

While it is recognized by friends of revaluation that all of the values fixed by the assessors in the hundred counties do not actually represent the money or market value of property today, the enemies of the tax reform do not pretend to believe that values of 1919 and 1920 were so far wrong that a 50 per cent cut in some counties and a 10 per cent cut in others will leave property values equitable in all the counties. It will be the duty of the new tax commission, composed of the Commissioner of Revenue, the chairman of the Corporation Commissioner and the Attorney General, or stated in the persons of these officials, Commission Chairman W. T. Pearson, Attorney General James S. Manning, to adjust these differences.

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Ex-Empress Augusta Victoria, Germany, Dies At Amerongen

Doorn, Holland, April 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Former Empress Augusta Victoria, of Germany, died here at 6 o'clock this morning. By a strange coincidence, the end came just one year after she suffered her first serious attack of heart disease.

It was while she was preparing to enter the house of Doorn, the present home of the former emperor of Germany, after her long residence at Amerongen, that she was stricken with what at the time was believed to be a fatal attack. That was on April 11, 1920. For a few days, there were reports that her death was momentarily expected, but she rallied, and accompanied her husband to Doorn on May 15 last.

Attacks of her fatal malady recurred at frequent intervals, each sapping her vitality and nullifying the measures taken by specialists to restore her health.

When her son, former Prince Joachim, committed suicide in Berlin last July, she was in such a serious condition that the news of his death was kept from her for a long time.

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CONFERRED FOR REVIEW HAYWOOD AN HOUR TODAY CASE WAS DENIED

Conference on British Coal Miners Strike Then Adjourned to Afternoon.

Supreme Court's Refusal Ends Long Fight; I. W. W. Must Serve Sentences.

London, April 11.—British mine owners and their striking employes conferred for an hour at the board of trade this morning on a possible settlement of the controversy which led to the miners' walkout last week. The conference adjourned at noon until 4 o'clock this afternoon. Robert S. Horne, chancellor of the exchequer, presided.

Refusal of the Supreme Court to interfere closes the long fight to give the selective service act retroactive effect. Only a Presidential pardon can now prevent their entering upon the sentences imposed.

The London Times today warned its readers against expectation that the negotiations would proceed smoothly or that work would be immediately resumed, as the fundamental differences between the parties still remained. Estimates of the cost of the miners' dispute to the country, including the loss of unmined coal, unpaid wages, decreased railway traffic, and the cost of emergency measures, place the bill which the country is paying because of the strike at nearly 16,000,000 pounds sterling per week.

The cases were tried before Federal Judge Landis and sentences ranging from one to twenty years were imposed. Most of the men were given their liberty on bail pending the outcome of the appeals.

Leaders of the "triple alliance" of labor viewed the situation today as being considerably improved. John Robert Clynes, chairman of the parliament of the party, being quoted as saying he was satisfied a solution of the problem could be found.

Specifically, Haywood and his associates were charged with violation of the espionage act and also the espionage act.

The Daily Herald, organ of labor, declared "the first round has been won by labor," adding that reports of rail men opposing the strike were untrue or grossly exaggerated.

By PARKER ANDERSON. Copyright 1921, by News Publishing Co. Washington, April 11.—Two North Carolinians will be considered by President Harding to succeed the late Judge Jeter Pritchard of Asheville. They are Judge W. P. Bynum, of Greenwood, and James J. Britt, of Asheville.

Information has reached the government, says the London Times that everywhere in the Fishline the miners are observing instructions from their officials not to interfere with safety measures and pumping, which have already begun in South Wales and elsewhere.

Strong pressure will be brought to bear upon the President by the friends of Judge Pritchard, who has been today. Britt was considered for Third Assistant Postmaster General under the present administration but his case was not pushed because it was realized that Judge Pritchard could not last very long and his friends wanted him to be in readiness to succeed Pritchard.

Mr. Lloyd-George, the prime minister, made the suggestion during the conference today that the owners give a full presentation of their case, stating the reasons why they considered the mine owners, "with or without government representatives present," to be given the examination of possibilities and reports to their respective constituencies.

Both men are well equipped for the circuit judgeship and, no doubt, a very spirited contest is in prospect.

REP. BIRD IS SEATED REP. FLOOD OBJECTED

Washington, April 11.—The seating of Richard E. Bird as 11th republican representative from the eighth Kansas district was protested on the floor of the house today by Representative Flood, democrat, Virginia. Flood stood aside until suggestion, Mr. Bird stood aside until Flood members had been sworn.

STATE LAWS ENFORCEABLE. Washington, April 11.—State laws dealing with illegal traffic in drugs are enforceable even if in conflict with the national anti-narcotic act, the Supreme Court today held. Refusal of the Supreme Court of Minnesota to release violator of the state statutes because the offense with which he was convicted was not covered by the Federal law, was affirmed.

Mr. Flood charged that Mr. Bird's own sworn statement of campaign expenditures showed that he had spent more than \$10,000, twice the amount. Mr. Flood said, a candidate for representative was permitted to expend under the federal corrupt practices act.

BATTLE RAGED FOR 20 MINUTES. Dublin, April 11.—A battle raged for 20 minutes this morning around the Northwestern hotel, in the north Wall section here, when civilians, armed with bombs and firearms, ferociously attacked the hotel where government auxiliaries are quartered. One of the assaulting party was killed and several wounded, two of them seriously.

FIGHTING IS RENewed. Constantinople, April 11.—Fighting has been renewed by the Turks and Greeks on the Brusar front in Asia Minor. Turkish cavalry is attempting to break through the Greeks line running from Kestelek to Aksu to the east of Brusar.

Harding In Complete Accord With Colleagues Of Senate

Frost is Forecast For South Tonight

Washington, April 11.—Snows of light rains have fallen during the last 24 hours in the Middle-Atlantic states, Southern New England and the upper Ohio valley, today's weather bureau chart shows. Temperatures have been decidedly lower in the Atlantic and East Gulf states and freezing temperatures were reported as far South as western North Carolina and light frosts to the Alabama coast.

Continued low temperatures are forecast for tonight in the states east of the Mississippi river and light frosts are probable tonight as far south as the interior of northern Florida.

Mr. Harding has decided to read his address to congress. On the surface this seems as if he had merely swallowed another Wilson policy but there will be a distinct difference between the ways of Mr. Wilson and Mr. Harding. The former was wont to enter the executive chamber in solemn dignity and depart abruptly as came Mr. Harding views his visits to the capitol as an opportunity to mingle with colleagues in the cloak rooms and drink in the atmosphere of fellowship which is characteristic of the membership of both the senate and house irrespective of parties. The new president's call members of congress by their first names and hardly feel that he is anything but a fellow individual.

Warren Harding's visit to the capitol will be a simple return to the congressional fold of one who spent six years attending to the duties of the executive office before he now seeks.

The writer has been talking with some of the so-called "bitter-enders" in the senate who feel satisfied that Mr. Harding has interpreted the mandate of the last election correctly when he turns his back on the league of nations and peace treaty. But the significance which one draws from the conversation with these senators is that the new president's separate peace with Germany doesn't mean the same thing to them as it does to the folks who have been regarding such a step as "an abandonment of the allies" or a "pro-German peace."

Of one thing the public may be assured, and that is that when America makes a separate peace it will not be a pro-German peace.

Anything else would be absurd and unthinkable. None other than Senator Knox, author of the resolution declaring a state of peace with Germany gave the writer a talk on the peace outlook. Mr. Knox is in complete accord with the Hughes' policies as announced in recent news. He sees no friction—only harmony ahead.

INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONTINUED

Lynching of Negro Preacher is Probed; 7 Whites May be Indicted.

Monticello, Ga., April 11.—Investigation by the Jasper county grand jury of the wholesale murder of negroes alleged to have been committed by John S. Williams and his three sons, and of the lynching of Eugene Hamilton, negro, several months ago, was started here today at a special session called by Judge J. B. Park, of the Ocmulgee circuit.

Clyde Manning, the negro plantation boss, whose testimony forms the principal link in the chain of evidence against Williams, arrived at 8:45 o'clock from Atlanta with several other negro witnesses, in the custody of Sheriff W. F. Persons and deputies. The other negroes were Rena Manning, wife of Clyde; Claude and Clyde Freeman, Julius Manning, Emma Freeman and John Freeman. All are negroes who worked on the farm of Williams or his sons.

Monticello was filled with people from all parts of Jasper county and from adjoining counties when the grand jury convened, but there was no outward sign of disorder.

Doyle Campbell, solicitor general of the Ocmulgee circuit, which embraces Jasper county, expressed a determination to investigate the "murder farm" case.

So far as Mr. Knox foresees there is no prospect of an infringement by either branch of the government on the prerogatives of the other. Congress has on many occasions previously refused to declare American policy toward foreign nations. There are plenty of precedents for the expression of an opinion by congress, and indeed the Knox resolution simply requests the president to enter into an agreement with Germany at the appropriate time to carry further the requirements of peace-making after congress shall have declared a state of peace.

An effort will be made, it was understood, to finish with the testimony of the negroes brought from the Fulton county jail and get them back to Atlanta before nightfall. They were brought here under a Federal court order by Judge Sibley, charging Sheriff Persons with the responsibility of delivering them safely back to the Fulton county jail. The Federal court will use them as material witnesses in pending peonage investigations.

First, it is probable they will be asked to make the new peace pact. It is too early to say what the separate treaty will be like, except to state a few general principles.

The only members of the Williams family who came to Monticello today was Dr. Gus Williams, eldest son of the "death farm" proprietor. In the absence from Monticello of Green Johnson, leading counsel for his father, Dr. Williams conferred at length with W. H. Key, assistant counsel.

Second, it will adopt many portions of the Versailles treaty as feasible and such as will preserve the solidarity of the allies and eliminate America from obligations of enforcement.

Organization of the grand jury was completed by the election of E. H. Jordan as foreman.

Third, it will afford no opportunity to Germany to escape her obligations to the allies, and to pay in full the damage done in the war.

HERE TO PRESENT STATUE. New York, April 11.—Dr. Estabana Giliborge, foreign minister of Venezuela, arrived here today at the head of a special mission representing the Venezuelan government, which will present a statue of Simon Bolivar to the City of New York on April 19. The mission expects to pass several weeks in this country.

Finally, the supporters of the separate treaty bring forth another idea on which they place much emphasis. It is that Great Britain, France, Japan, Italy and Belgium entered into a solemn agreement not to make peace except in unison. America entered the war without becoming a party to the promise. She is therefore free to make an independent peace without in any way damaging her legal record. And, if the United States makes a peace which the allies regard as sympathetic with their mission, it is an encouragement to the Germans. The proponents of the independent treaty plan feel that much of the opprobrium which has attached heretofore to the phrase "a separate peace with Germany" will have been removed.

LABOR BOARD WOULD BE DONE AWAY WITH

Washington, April 11.—A bill to abolish the Railroad Labor Board, now functioning under the transportation act, and place its duties under the Interstate Commerce Commission was introduced today by Representative Thayer, republican, Kansas. Representative Thayer, in a statement explaining the bill, said the Interstate Commerce Commission was authorized by law to make the rates under which the railroads operated and it should therefore fix salaries as they formed an important part of the expenses which the rates were fixed to cover.

Senator Poindexter, of Washington, announced that he would reintroduce his bill penalizing railroad workers for any concerted effort to bring about a strike of railroad workers.



Mulched ears for girls 'ill continue to be th' rage. Who remembers when only fathers that looked good in stiff hats wore 'em?

FAIR Charlotte and vicinity: Fair and somewhat cold tonight with frost, probably heavy; Tuesday fair and warmer. North and north west winds, continued cold tonight with frost; Tuesday fair and warmer.