

CONGRESS MEMBERS LEAVING CAPITAL AFTER LONG GRIND

Work of 67th Congress Was Completed at Noon Yesterday, and Members Are Leaving for Homes.

NOTHING DONE AT THE-CLOSE

And Last Sessions in Both Houses Were Quiet and Calm Compared With the Former Sessions.

Washington, March 5.—The country today faced the now unaccompanied prospect of nine months without a session of Congress. The Sixty-seventh Congress has passed into history and incidentally with its four sessions, set a record for future congresses to do about in the extent of time actually spent in the legislative halls. The session of members and former members of the Senate and House, who closed through the sessions was in full swing today while, Washington was trying to acclimatize itself to the comparatively drab and prosaic life ahead. Some die adieu came yesterday with the bang of the senate gavel sharply at noon, and that of the House six minutes later, after a brief final session conspicuously lacking in the halls of the pre-adjourning hours of some other congresses.

Washington, March 4.—The 67th Congress, which had spent a greater portion of its two-year span of life in actual session than any other in the history of the country, adjourned sine die at noon today.

During the last few hours of the session, President Harding, spending part of the time at the capitol, signed the farm credits bill and 98 other measures. No legislation was vetoed. Vice President Coolidge's gavel fell sharply at noon, after an almost colorless morning Senate session of two hours, and the House adjourned at 12:06 p. m. after a concert by a section of the marine band and a chorus of popular songs by members and spectators.

Tonight the departure of members, many of whom today answered their last roll call, was in full swing with prospective suspension of activities at the capitol until next December brings in the 68th Congress.

Crowds witnessed the closing scenes, adjournment and presence of President Harding, cabinet officials, diplomats and other high officials bringing hundreds who packed the Senate and House galleries.

The President reached the capitol at 11:25 o'clock and was kept busy reading and signing the final avalanche of bills. Before going to the capitol, he signed the farm credits and 43 other bills, turned out during the early morning session today. In the presidential suits of the Senate chamber, before the noon limit expired, 55 more bills received executive approval.

The last bill to become law was the "better butter" measure, changing but to fat standards. All important measures placed on the statute books at the last moment was the one providing for return to enemy alien owners of all seized property worth \$10,000 or less.

Little was accomplished by either Senate or House in the last two-hour session this morning. Members were haggard and worn from the long night sessions which lasted in the House until 3:20 a. m. and in the Senate until after 1:30 a. m.

Reassembling at 10 o'clock, the Senate heard "swain songs" by Senators Pridemore, Republican, New Jersey, and Sutherland, Republican, of West Virginia, a tribute to Senator Williams, Democrat, Mississippi, by his colleague, Senator Harrison, of Mississippi and tried vainly to pass a few more bills. A 15-minute filibuster by Senator Dial, Democrat, South Carolina, outlived the proceedings before the vice president's gavel fell in the midst of Senator Dial's speech against a pensions pension bill pressed by Senator Bursum, Republican, New Mexico.

Previously Senators Lodge, of Massachusetts, and Robinson, of Arkansas, Republican and Democratic leaders, appointed to confer with President Harding, and advised the Senate that the President had "no more communications to make." When Mr. Coolidge declared the Senate adjourned "without day," Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, roared "good night" and laughter.

The final hours in the house were more colorful. The marine orchestra, playing in the "well," vied for favor with a hastily organized quartette of members whose rendition of old favorites, "son grew into a mighty chorus" the entire house and most of the spectators on the floor.

The quartette and orchestra soon established a working agreement with Representative Winfield Dixon Hunk, of Illinois, joining the humans as a violinist, playing a borrowed instrument.

The American Legion is doing its bit for athletics, many posts throughout the country holding indoor meets this winter.

Union labor is planning the establishment of co-operative laundries in Los Angeles, Wheeling, and other cities.

"DOLLAR A GALLON" GASOLINE IS FEARED

Investigating Committee Says If Combustion Is Not Broken Up Price Will Reach One Dollar.

Washington, March 5.—"A dollar a gallon for gasoline" is the prospect held up for the consumer in the report of the LaFollette oil investigating committee to the Senate unless means are taken to break what the report declares to be a complete domination and control of the oil industry by the standard companies. If a few great oil companies are permitted to "manipulate prices" during the next few years as they have been doing since 1921 the report yesterday said the people of the country may be prepared "before long" to pay "at least" that price.

The result of a three months inquiry into conditions in the industry, the report declared, the standard companies in violation of the 1911 dissolution decree exercise their alleged control in such manner as to fix "the price which the producer of crude oil receives at the well, the price which the refiner receives for his gasoline and kerosene, as well as the retail price to the consumer."

MENARY IS OFFERED RECESS APPOINTMENT

Refuses to Accept, However, As Nomination Was Not Confirmed by the Senate.

Washington, March 5.—James G. McNary, of New Mexico, whose nomination for controller of currency failed of confirmation by the Senate, was offered a recess appointment to the place today by President Harding but replied that he would not accept. After it was announced that D. R. Crissinger, the present controller, would continue in that office for the present, despite the fact that he has been nominated and confirmed as Governor of the Federal Reserve Board. It was made known also that Mr. Harding has decided not to withhold longer the commission of Milo D. Campbell, of Michigan, as the "dirty farmer" member of the Reserve Board. The President had refrained from signing his commission pending a Senate decision on the McNary nomination.

THE COTTON MARKET

Was Somewhat Irregular at Opening, March and May Being Lower.

New York, March 5.—The cotton market was somewhat irregular at the opening, March and May being three to five points lower but July and later deliveries were 15 to 17 points higher, and the tone of the market was firm on firm late cables from Liverpool, reports of a better business in Manchester, and continued covering by new crop shorts. May contracts soon rallied from 30.72, or 8 points net higher, while October sold up to 26.08 during the early trading, or 21 points above Saturday's closing quotations.

Cotton futures opened firm: March 30.65; May 30.75; July 29.85; October 26.95; December 26.45.

GREENSBORO GIRL IS LOCATED IN FLORIDA

Miss Frances Collic, Who Disappeared Last Week, Has Been Found in Tampa.

Greensboro, N. C., March 5.—Miss Frances Collic, pretty seventeen-year-old Greensboro girl, whose mysterious disappearance from her home here last week alarmed her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Collic, has been found in Tampa, Fla.

She arrived there Saturday night and was taken in charge by the Travelers Aid, and is being cared for until the father gets there to bring her back to Greensboro.

The young girl's mother said today it was supposed she had gone to Tampa to marry a young man who was introduced to her by a friend of her father's, but who is now living in Tampa. Miss Collic's parents opposed the marriage, said Mrs. Collic, and had sought to dissuade her from seeing the young man.

TWENTY-FIVE HURT IN TRAIN ACCIDENT

Central of Georgia Passenger Train Wrecked Near Mizell, Ga., Today.

Columbus, Ga., March 5.—Twenty-five persons, the majority of whom were from Columbus and Fort Belvoir, were injured, none seriously, when a Central of Georgia railway passenger train was wrecked near Mizell station early today.

The accident was caused by a broken rail, according to reports to local offices of the railroad.

An Entire Family of Six Killed by Vapor

Chicago, March 4.—An entire family of six was found dead today, killed by the vapor of an acid used as a disinfectant by the proprietor of a restaurant under their apartment.

Peter Vordabak, the restaurateur, and O. W. Hall, local manager of the National Hygienic corporation, of Cleveland, who had undertaken to rid the apartment of roaches, were arrested.

The dead are William Kratzberg, 80, retired wagon builder; his wife, John Kratzberg, 54, a son; Mrs. Laura Szymanski, 39, a daughter; Henry Szymanski, 39, railroad engineer, Gary, Ind.; and Harold Szymanski, 17.

The deepest mine in the world is at Morro Velho, Brazil. It has reached a vertical depth of 6,246 feet below the surface of the earth. This great depth is attained not by one shaft, but by a series of five, staggered to follow the 45 degree pitch of the lode with which it is connected by crosscuts.

Fast Passenger Service, East to West, Required in a Bill Passing the Senate

Raleigh, March 3.—Senator Woodson, of Iowa, was successful in getting passed his bill requiring the corporation commission to establish through fast passenger service from east to west across the state, after an amendment offered by Senator Sams, of Forsyth, was voted down by 15 to 17 against. The bill now goes to the House.

Sams wanted to provide that nothing in the bill should refer to trains Nos. 21 and 22 and this brought on considerable good natured sparring between Winston-Salem, High Point and Salisbury representatives. Senator Woodson opposed this on the ground that he did not want to tie the hands of the corporation commission and thought that Commissioner Pelt would be amply able to take care of Winston's needs, and that Salisbury was not going after these trains.

Among bills passed was a most important one giving the state highway commission greater powers in dealing with elimination of grade crossings. This bill has already passed the House. Chairman Page backed this bill as being highly necessary to this department. Other bills passed relating to codifying laws; relating to public schools; relating to Manhattan fishing; to place a monument to North Carolina troops at Vicksburg, Miss.; provide for printing in department of public instruction; provide for reindexing consolidated statutes; relative to death of Governor Bickett; allow prison board to sell bricks now on hand; provide Australian ballot in New Hampshire county.

Senator Robinson Says Last Congress Failure

Democratic Leader Says Republicans Failed to Take Advantage of Opportunities and Despite Large Majorities, Passed Few Laws of Vital Importance.

Washington, March 3.—An arraignment of the Republican party's record was made by Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, acting Democratic floor leader, in a statement tonight reviewing the administration's policies and acts, foreign and domestic. President Harding and Secretary Hughes were criticized for alleged failure to adopt a helpful international policy and the Republican Congress was assailed for alleged failures.

"The present administration," said Senator Robinson, "is now reaping a harvest of condemnation and repudiation. The legislative and executive policies advanced by President Harding have broken down. This is attributable to the reactionary character of the policies, and to the irreconcilable factions existing within the Republican party."

"No important legislative achievements can be awarded the 76th Congress 'with a single exception of the Fordney-McCumber tariff act,'" Senator Robinson declared, adding:

"All other important measures enacted during the Congress now expiring have been of a non-partisan nature and have received the support of the Democrats in both houses of Congress."

"The President's policies respecting the two most important subjects presented by him, excluding the British debt settlement act, have been openly repudiated by the Congress. I refer to the ship subsidy bill and the measure recommending membership for the United States in the permanent court of international justice."

The latter, Senator Robinson said, had been "buried by the leaders of the Republican party in the Senate."

"The administration's foreign policy," Senator Robinson continued, "is incomprehensible even to those responsible for it. The United States in former administrations took advanced positions in the promotion of arbitration and the establishment of orderly tribunals for the settlement of international disputes. Now we are in the humiliating attitude of facing backward and standing still while European peoples in the maze and confusion of financial and economic problems which threaten their undoing are stumbling and staggering forward."

Secrecy in Secretary Hughes' management of foreign affairs was charged and deplored by Senator Robinson, who said that Mr. Hughes had discussed recently before an organization of newspaper men the country's foreign relations but had refused to appear before the senate foreign relations committee.

"The only justification for enshrouding a foreign policy in solemn mystery," said Senator Robinson, "is that publicity respecting it inevitably would force a change."

"It has come to a strange state in deed when the secretary of state will furnish newspaper correspondents with confidential information which he denied the Senate."

In domestic affairs, Senator Robinson said, Republicans have "shamelessly repudiated" pledges for a soldiers' bonus and had not acted to relieve farmers and others from excessive transportation charges. Republican internal revenue tax revision, the Democratic leader said, has resulted in relieving the rich and prosperous, while through the Fordney-McCumber act the taxes paid by the masses have been enormously increased.

"Thus failure, irretrievably failure, marks the record of the administration throughout the last two years," said Senator Robinson in conclusion. "During the evening Senator Robinson delivered his prepared remarks as an address to the Senate."

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Recess Appointments. Washington, March 5.—President Harding today gave recess appointments to Elmer S. Landes, of Ohio, republican, and Merton L. Corey, of Nebraska, democrat, as directors of the Federal Farm-Loan Board.

LENOIR ALUMNI WILL DEMONSTRATE DEVOTION

Men Who Got Basis of Success There Expected to Answer Call in Hour of Need.

Hickory, N. C., March 5.—"Lenoir's boys and girls are going to show North Carolina what loyalty to a college means," says John George, cotton mill man, of Cherryville, in reference to the great reunion of Lenoir College alumni and former students to be held in Hickory, Wednesday, March 7. It is expected that the home coming will surpass in point of numbers and in enthusiasm any gathering of former Lenoirians yet held. Trains will bear the returning sons and daughters from every portion of the Old North State and from many more distant sections of the country.

"The strength of a college," continues Mr. George, "is in the success of its graduates, and the ends of the earth bear testimony to the exalted position of honor which is the right of Lenoir. Lenoir has ever been a good school but never a famous one. It has unassumingly traveled its quiet path for many years, turning out men and women who have achieved honor through service to mankind. Now the day has come when it need no longer limit its great service to the boys and girls of North Carolina through a lack of means. With the dynamic force that will carry on to victory three thousand men and women whose lives have passed under Lenoir's influence are getting into the game to insure that their alma mater attains a commanding position in the educational field."

The home coming will be a dedication of purpose that Lenoir College shall grasp the opportunity offered to it this spring to become the outstanding Lutheran college in the South, and to multiply the great influence it has had in shaping the present life of North Carolina. The program of the meeting Wednesday morning includes inspirational addresses by prominent alumni and others, music by the Lenoir Men's Glee Club, and the singing of the famous Wittenberg Hymn, which bears the distinction of being the first college hymn produced in America, and which pictures the phenomenal growth and development of Wittenberg College and the unselfish and loyal devotion of her alumni in rallying to her standard.

Lenoir has never been a school for rich men's boys and girls, nor one which has been afraid to face the facts of life. Her sons and daughters learn to work uncomplainingly, and go out to achieve success in lives of service. Forty per cent of all the men who have gone out from her halls have entered the ministry and are serving Christ in the four corners of the earth. Twenty-eight young men now in school are preparing for the same work. Lenoir further enjoys the distinction of having provided a larger per cent of the mission workers in Japan than any other portion of the United Lutheran Church.

The call of the Mother has gone out to her children in far places to rally about her in her hour of test, and share with her the joy of triumph, and her children will not fail," says Rev. John L. Morgan, in charge of the Alumni division of the Appeal, who traveled 50 miles to school some years ago with \$13 in his pocket to see him through four years of college, and who is now the successful pastor of three influential churches in North Carolina.

BOTH HOUSES APPROVE FARM HELP MEASURE

The Bill Will Be Submitted to President For Signature This Morning.

Washington, March 3.—Both the senate and house approved the conference report on the farm credit bill tonight, and the measure is ready for submission to President Harding when he visits the capitol prior to sine die adjournment tomorrow to sign bills.

As agreed to in conference by the house and senate managers the essential features of the composite house bill remained unchanged, but broader authority was given to the private credit corporations which it would authorize. Continuation until March, 1924, of the war finance corporation also would be provided for.

Managers on the part of the house explained in a formal statement to the house that the bill as agreed to in conference would create two distinct and separate rural credit organizations, the federal intermediate credit banks and the national agricultural credit corporations. The former would be placed under the control and management of the federal farm loan board and the latter under the supervision of the comptroller of the currency.

"While the two systems will furnish relief to the agricultural interests of the country," the statement said, "the federal intermediate credit banks will more particularly take care of the needs of a certain class and might come nearer than would the national agricultural credit corporations in taking care of the entire needs of the general agricultural public; the national agricultural credit corporations will make certain the caring for in a national way of the livestock and co-operative marketing requirements."

"Your managers took into consideration also the fact that the national agricultural credit corporations will be organized along the same lines that national banks are organized, namely, by private subscription to capital and, secondly, that the acceptances collateral trust notes or debentures issued by them under the provisions of the act carry no tax exception privileges, whereas federal intermediate credit banks are capitalized by the United States government and are permitted to issue tax free debentures."

Mt. Pleasant Circuit Quarterly Conference

The second quarterly conference for the Mt. Pleasant Circuit for this year will be held at St. Paul's Church on next Saturday, March 10th. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Dr. T. F. Marr, Presiding Elder. After dinner the conference will be held, and there will be addresses by two visiting brethren.

All stewards, Sunday school superintendents, trustees and local preachers are urged to be present. Let Sunday school superintendents have written reports of the Sunday schools. We expect an interesting and profitable program. Let everybody come. W. T. Albright.

Kiddie Kept Rained But Baby Is Unharmed

Gretna, Fla., March 3.—Lightning struck the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Herring at this place today, wrecked a "kiddie coop" in which their three year old infant was sleeping, burned a hole in the floor near the place where the child was sleeping, and never roused it from its slumber. The parents of the child were severely shocked by the lightning.

MORE HARMONY NOW SHOWN IN WORK OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY

After Some Disagreement Both Houses Able to Get Together on Solicitors Salary Bill.

Washington, March 5.—(By the Associated Press)—Adoption of the report of the conference committee on solicitors' salary bill, providing a list salary of \$4,500 a year for state solicitors featured the opening of the session today. The report further provided the act become effective on October 1, 1924, instead of upon June 30, 1924.

SALARY FIXED AT \$4,500 YEARLY

The new change grew out of the refusal of the House to concur in the Senate amendment which would raise the original house bill's provisions from \$4,000 per year to \$4,750. Representative Warren of Peabody reported the report met with unanimous approval of all parties concerned. Representative Murphy, of Rowan, reported for the conference committee which considered the senate amendment to the maintenance appropriation bill providing a sliding scale for institutions. The report asked the senate to recede from its amendment and was adopted.

Senate Action

Raleigh, March 5.—(By the Associated Press)—The senate followed the House lead today in concurring in the conference recommendation that the senate recede from its amendment to the general appropriation bill for maintenance of state institutions. By this action the appropriation became absolute instead of dependent upon state revenue.

Senator Varsler, whose amendment to scale the appropriation down to the income of the state in the year 1924 after proved inadequate for the full amount, was accepted in the senate originally, disagreed with the wisdom of the conference committee but interposed no objection to concurrence today.

The senate also concurred in the conference committee report on the solicitors salary bill which would put all solicitors on a salary of \$4,500 and \$750 for expenses, effective October 1, 1924.

REPAIRS TO AIRPLANES HALT THEIR JOURNEY

Machines Headed to Porto Rico Will Leave Montgomery, Ala., Some Time Tomorrow.

Montgomery, Ala., March 5.—Announcement was made here today by officers of the U. S. Army Air Service squadron stopping here en route from San Antonio, Texas, to Porto Rico that the planes will wait until tomorrow before popping off on the third leg of their flight to Arcadia, Fla., because of repairs that cannot be completed before tonight.

It was believed at first that the planes would be able to leave this afternoon.

Silk Sale at Parks-Bell Company

The Parks-Bell Company is observing National Silk Week, beginning today and continuing through March 10th, and during this period special prices on silk goods are being offered at the store.

The company has a page ad. today setting forth some of the specials offered, and by reading the ad. carefully you can see how you can save money by purchasing your silk goods now. In addition to the silk values offered, the company is also offering special prices on hosiery.

President Wants to Aid Veterans

Washington, March 5.—One of President Harding's last acts before his departure for Florida today was to direct the Civil Service Commission to give certain preference to veterans of the World War in their examinations for positions under civil service.

Musket bulls were legal tender as farthings in Boston in 1635.

PRESIDENT LEAVES WASHINGTON FOR VISIT TO FLORIDA

Accompanied by Mrs. Harding and Party of Friends President Left Washington Today for Vacation.

Washington, March 4.—President and Mrs. Harding accompanied by a party of six friends, left Washington today on a special train for Florida, where they will take a vacation houseboat trip of more than a month. The President's special pulled out a few minutes after noon for an untruncated run to Ormond, Florida, where the party is to board the houseboat. It was Mrs. Harding's first appearance outside the white house grounds since her serious illness of last summer, but she appeared almost her old self and stood on the observation platform waving farewells until the train was out of sight.

Special Train Carrying Party

Washington, March 5.—An attempt by legal process to prevent Attorney General Eugherty, Chairman Lasker of the shipping board, and John Barton Payne, chairman of the Red Cross, from leaving Washington for a vacation trip with President Harding in Florida, was begun and then abandoned today shortly before the hour set for the departure of the President's special train.

At the request of attorneys for Chas. W. Morse, the New York shipbuilder, who goes on trial here Wednesday on charges of fraud in connection with wartime contracts, the U. S. Marshall's office issued subpoenas requiring the men to appear in court on the opening day of the trial as witnesses for the defense.

While a deputy marshal was trying to serve the subpoenas, however, District Attorney Gordon conferred with the Morse counsel, and it was agreed that the attempt would be abandoned.

SWEET BILL PASSED BY THE UPPER HOUSE

Amends Provisions of Insurance Act to Aid the Disabled Veterans. Washington, March 3.—The Sweet bill, amending provisions of the war risk insurance act so far as to increase the period in which a veteran's disability would be assumed to have resulted from his service, and extending the insurance privileges in special cases, was passed by the senate today.

There was no record vote. Under provisions of the bill cases of tubercular and neuro-psychiatric diseases occurring within three years of the soldier's discharge will be considered as due to his service, and will make such soldier eligible for hospitalization and compensation.

All hospitals under the jurisdiction of the veterans' bureau are thrown open to veterans of the civil and Spanish-American wars as well as of the world war and transportation of these patients at government expense to the hospitals is authorized.

Another section authorized the payment of \$100 for funeral expenses to the nearest of kin of any veteran who dies and leaves insufficient property to meet these expenses.

MAYFIELD ANSWERS CHARGES BY PEDDY

Senator-Elect Says Charges Are "Infamous and Absolutely False."

Washington, March 5.—Senator-elect Earley B. Mayfield, of Texas, today gave out a statement here declaring "infamous and absolutely false" the election contest charges filed recently with the Senate by George E. B. Peddy, the Republican independent democratic candidate for Senate, defeated by Mr. Mayfield last November.

Mr. Peddy had charged that Senator-elect Mayfield belonged to the Ku Klux Klan and had entered a conspiracy with its members by which his election was fraudulent. The statement today by Mr. Mayfield declared Mr. Peddy's election contest "a continuation of a campaign of misrepresentation and abuse."

Campbell's Contention is Now "Dead" Forever

Washington, March 4.—Dr. J. Ike Campbell, who contested Representative Doughton's election, could not get recognition here yesterday, and no reference to his case was made, it collapsed months ago, but every now and then he tried to pump wine in it. It is dead forever now.

Nomination of Robins Confirmed. Washington, March 5.—Examination of Senate records today revealed that the nomination of Grover C. Robins to be postmaster at Blowing Rock, N. C., was confirmed in the eleventh hour rush. Earlier records indicated that the nomination had failed of confirmation.

Ed. Bellamy, a likely looking mid-dleweight from Ireland, has arrived on this side with a desire to show his ring prowess.

Disappears After Wife's Death; Goes Home to Die

Elyria, Ohio, March 5.—With advice to "take care of him; he's got just one week to live," a man appeared at the old Half homestead on Broad street nine days ago with a strict helpless cripple who he deposited inside the door and left. Coroner Perry was notified of his death yesterday.

It was from this home that John S. Hulf, a college graduate, disappeared in December, 1893, on the day of the murder of his wife in Cleveland. Of late years the old homestead had been occupied by his sister, Miss Julia Hulf, who lives there alone. The stranger who brought the man

to the door, rang the door bell and asked Miss Hulf if she had a brother. "I had," she said. "He's been away for years."

"Well, here he is. Take care of him—the doctor says he's got one week to live," said the stranger. His sister helped him to bed. To all pleas that he send for a physician the man protested, and the sister acceded to his wishes. During the week, Hulf preserved silence concerning himself. He died Saturday night. Hulf and his wife separated in 1893. A few days later his wife's body was found, stabbed to death in Cleveland.