

WILL CALL A SPECIAL SESSION OF CONGRESS

Chairman Fordney Today Informed Ways and Means Committee That This Has Been Practically Decided.

APRIL 4 IS DATE DECIDED UPON

Chairman Conferred With President-Elect Harding on Taxation and Tariff Matters.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 17.—President-elect Harding practically has decided to call a special session of the new Congress on April 4, members of the House Ways and Means committee were informed today by Chairman Fordney, who has just returned from a conference with Mr. Harding at Marion.

JAPAN WILL BE ASKED TO REMOVE HER TROOPS

From the Country Where She Possesses No Sovereign Rights.

(By the Associated Press.)

Tokio, Jan. 16.—Government officials have not as yet made public the text of the American note protesting against the shooting of a Japanese sailor at Vladivostok. Publicists, however, express the belief that Washington has not only asked reparation with guarantees removing a probability of similar incidents in the future, but has also again pointed out to Japan the wisdom of reducing if not withdrawing altogether her troops from the country where she possesses no sovereign rights, but the littoral of which is dominated by her military power.

LOWDEN CALLED IN TO CONSULT WITH HARDING.

To Discuss Various Problems of the Coming Administration.

(By the Associated Press.)

Marion, O., Jan. 17.—Frank O. Lowden, former Governor of Illinois, and a leading candidate last year for the Republican Presidential nomination, was called into consultation by President-elect Harding today to discuss various problems of the coming administration.

Langdon's Russian Wife Commits Suicide.

(By the Associated Press.)

Manila, Jan. 17.—The Russian wife of Lieut. Warren H. Langdon, the American killed by a Japanese sloop at Vladivostok recently, ended her life upon learning of her husband's death, according to Reuter dispatch from Vladivostok.

Father of Langdon Seeks Report.

Boston, Jan. 17.—Wm. C. Langdon, father of Lieut. Warren H. Langdon, U. S. N., who was killed by a Japanese at Vladivostok a week ago today, sought the report that his Russian wife had committed suicide after his death. It was absurd, he said.

The Sentry Will Be Court-Martialed.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—The Japanese sentry who shot Lieut. W. H. Langdon, chief engineer of the American cruiser Albany at Vladivostok, gave a version of the affair before a Japanese court of inquiry coinciding with the dead officer's ante-mortem statement, said a dispatch received by the Navy Department today from Admiral Gleeves at Manila. The sentry has been recommended for court-martial.

MR. OGLESBY MADE THE HIGHEST GENERAL AVERAGE

Former Concord Man Takes Honors at Chattanooga College of Law.

(By H. Roe Bartle.) Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 17.—No title has been received by the Lurton Chapter of the Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity of the Chattanooga College of Law that it has been awarded the silver punch bowl given annually to the chapter making the highest general average in scholarship. The average of the Chattanooga chapter was 92.1-10. De Paul University was second and the University of Texas, University of Richmond, John Marshall law school, Cleveland Law school and Western Reserve University followed in the order named. The punch bowl will be presented February 4th by Emory C. Weller, of New York, master scholar.

The Delta Theta Phi law fraternity has 46 chapters in the leading law schools of the country and an audit of the grades of the successful chapter shows that John Montgomery Oglesby, of Concord, North Carolina, a member of the senior class of the Chattanooga College of Law, made the highest general average, 97.5-8, during the past year. In addition to carrying on his work in the law school, Mr. Oglesby holds a responsible position in the Chattanooga Times organization and



John Montgomery Oglesby.

his work there was evidenced by his receiving a substantial bonus Christmas. He is president of the student body and adjutant of the American Legion post in Chattanooga. He will receive a degree of bachelor of laws at the commencement in June. The Chattanooga College of Law was organized in 1898 in connection with the University of Chattanooga and has been successful from its start. It has a three-year course leading to the degree of LL. B. and its faculty includes a number of the leading lawyers of Tennessee and its graduates are practicing in practically every State. The Lurton chapter of the Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity was established there in 1908. The fraternity has approximately 6,000 active members and a large alumni, including Chief Justice White, Associate Justices Holmes and Day, ex-Attorney General Gregory, Secretary of War Baker and other national figures.

(Mr. Oglesby was formerly of Concord, and was for seven years city editor of The Tribune. He has many friends here and elsewhere throughout the State who will read the above with genuine pleasure.—Ed.)

Mrs. J. Rufus Fisher of Creent is Dead.

Salisbury, Jan. 16.—Mrs. J. Rufus Fisher died at her home at Creent Rowan county, Thursday night at the age of 83 years, after an illness of two months. Had she lived until the 20th of this month Mrs. Fisher and her husband could have celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary. They have raised a family of eight children and Mrs. Fisher's in the first death in this immediate family in the 63 years. She had five sisters and one brother and the only death among them occurred two months ago when Mrs. Eury died at Gastonia. They were children of Mr. and Mrs. Holsinger. One of Mrs. Fisher's sons George C. Fisher, lives in Salisbury being connected with the local post office.

At the Theatre.

The Piedmont theatre today offers a big comedy and a big drama. Don't fail to see this attractive program. You will find an interesting program at the Star theatre today. Special features will also be shown each day this week at this play house. "A Blue Ribbon Mutt," a big comedy, and "The Tiger Brand," the big Helen Holmes serial, are being shown at the Pastime today. An unusual feature tomorrow, Mary Miles Minter Wednesday, and Anita Stewart Thursday and Friday.

Rev. L. A. Falls and His Daughter Are Injured.

Charlotte, Jan. 16.—Rev. L. A. Falls, pastor of Dilworth Methodist church and his daughter, Miss Gertrude Falls, were painfully hurt in an automobile accident this afternoon. Both are in the hospital with cuts and bruises. They were coming up South Tryon street in an auto following behind a northbound car. At Jackson terrace Mr. Falls cut around behind the car, to the left, striking a southbound car. The auto was wrecked and the occupants narrowly escaped being killed.

The number of farms in Colorado has increased nearly 50 per cent during the past ten years.

THE CLOSED TOBACCO MARKETS AGAIN OPEN

Selling of the Crop in Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana Was Resumed Today After Delay of Thirteen Days.

EFFORT TO FORCE THE PRICES UP

Manufacturers Promised to Do All in Their Power to Make a Satisfactory Market, It Is Said.

(By the Associated Press.) Lexington, Ky., Jan. 17.—Selling of the 1920 crop of burley or cigarette tobacco in central Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio was resumed today after a delay of 13 days, due to the efforts of persons interested in the growing of the crop to force the price to a higher level. Promises that they will do all in their power to "make a satisfactory market," have been made by the manufacturers who purchase most of the crop.

The markets in most of the districts have been closed since January 4th, when the growers virtually forced the warehousemen to close their doors because of the low prices offered. The warehousemen, it is stated, refused to accept the extremely low grades for sale. Buyers for big tobacco companies have asserted that 25 per cent of the crop is of low grades, which cannot be used in the American trade and they will not bid on the low grades.

DR. M'BRAYER COURTS A FULL INVESTIGATION

Head of Tuberculosis Sanatorium Tells of Results Thus Far Obtained.

Raleigh, Jan. 15.—Adverting to the rumor that among the wholesale investigations which the legislature will be called on to make, some of which are now ready to proceed, Dr. L. B. McBrayer, superintendent of the sanatorium for the tuberculosis, tonight declared himself anxious to show his hand.

No resolution has been introduced, but capital rumors fly thick and fast. There has been some kicking, he says, and it is from ex-service men. He says:

"We court the fullest investigation, all our buildings are not what we would like to have, but the buildings that have been erected under our administration are the equal of any anywhere. We have requested the budget commission for \$15,000 with which to repair these buildings. "Our food is good enough for anybody. Better and more of it than I ever ate before in my life. We pay our cooks nearly as much as we pay our medical staff. As proof of above we will be able to show that a larger per cent of our patients gain weight than in most of the best sanatoriums throughout the United States and these average a great gain per patient than most of the best sanatoriums in the country. For example, our patients gained on an average two to four pounds more per patient than in Trudeau sanatorium, Saranac Lake, N. Y. One year our patients gained more per patient than any sanatorium in the United States. Another year only one sanatorium had a greater gain per patient.

"We will be able to show that the deaths from tuberculosis have steadily decreased since we have been in charge of the sanatorium, while in many states they have increased. For example, in 1913 there were in round numbers—3,600—a reduction in North Carolina and in 1919 in the actual number of deaths of 1,800. Reckoning the value of a life at \$10,000 this is an economic saving to the state of 18,000,000 for the year 1919. "There are many other things that can be shown equally as interesting and that the people of the state ought to know and we look upon an investigation as a wonderful opportunity to present some of the things to the people of the state and thereby be of great service to them."

Jobber's Overall Company Deficit Given at \$2,389,424.

Lynchburg, Va., Jan. 15.—The deficit faced by the Jobbers' Overall company, now in the hands of a creditors' committee, is placed at \$2,389,424 by accountants reporting as of December 31, 1920, to the committee. Under the agreement to be signed by creditors of the company, one of the largest of its kind in the world, its affairs are to be conducted by the creditors' committee. Most of the creditors, it is understood, have already signed the agreement.

Lloyd George and Briand to Meet.

(By the Associated Press.) London, Jan. 17.—Premiers Lloyd George and Briand will meet for a conference on German disarmament and other matters now awaiting settlement, on January 25, it was announced here today. The date for this conference was at first fixed for January 19th.

Churchill to Be Secretary of State of the Colonies.

(By the Associated Press.) London, Jan. 17.—Winston Spencer Churchill, the war minister, it is reliably although unofficially stated, has accepted the post of Secretary of State for the Colonies in succession to Viscount Milner, who resigned the portfolio on January 7th.

PAMPLICO SHOOTING MYSTERY IS CLEARED

Body of L. S. Bingham Is Found in Woods Near the Scene of Shooting With a Pistol Still in His Hand.

MAN HAD MURDERED HIS FOUR RELATIVES

Before He Fired Bullet Into His Own Brain.—Was Embittered Against Family, It Is Believed.

(By the Associated Press.) Charleston, S. C., Jan. 17.—Temporarily insane from brooding over financial difficulties, and embittered by family troubles, in which an estate worth probably \$75,000 was at stake, L. S. Bingham, Saturday afternoon, according to information received here from Florence, S. C., shot his mother, his sister, and then shot a bullet crashing through his own brain.

All were evidently killed instantly except Mrs. Bingham, the man's mother, who lived a few moments, and the oldest child who died at 5 o'clock Sunday morning. The tragedy took place at the old home five miles from Pamplico, Florence county.

An Estate Valued at \$75,000 Is Said to Have Been the Cause of the Trouble.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 17.—Investigation of the tragedy in Florence County in which five members of a family of the late State Senator L. S. Bingham were killed Saturday, will be conducted with a view to proving the theory held by some citizens that L. S. Bingham, one of the dead, did not perpetrate the crime. Edmund Gingham, brother of the dead man, testified at a coroner's investigation Sunday that he saw L. S. Bingham running from the home Saturday afternoon and later he found his mother, Mr. M. M. Bingham, his sister, Mrs. Margaret Black and her two children, aged 9 and 5, dead. At noon Sunday L. S. Bingham's body was found in the woods near the house.

An estate valued at \$75,000 is said to have been the cause of the trouble. Dr. Cleveland Gingham, a brother, is at large under sentence of three years for killing his wife and members of the Bingham family signed his bond for \$10,000 which the state had never collected, all the property having been transferred to Mrs. J. Bogart Caine, a sister whose name was not signed to the bond but who died some months ago. Recently L. S. Bingham had been charged with attempting to alter records in the county clerk's office, in connection with the transfer of the property to Mrs. Caine.

SEIZING OF THE LIQUOR AUTOMOBILES AUTHORIZED

Important Decision Rendered Today by the Supreme Court.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 17.—Seizure of automobiles or other conveyances in which liquors are transported illegally is authorized, whether or not the owners of the conveyance have been found innocent of contravening the law, the supreme court held today in deciding a case from Georgia.

In the case at issue, Federal agents seized an automobile owned by J. W. Goldsmith, which had been loaned by him to a friend, and in which intoxicants were transported illegally. Goldsmith contended he did not know that the machine was to be put to such use, but the government's contention that when he entrusted his property to another, he assumed the risk of loss from whatever source it might occur, was upheld by the court.

Man Killed After He Had Been Robbed

(By the Associated Press.)

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 17.—Harlan Brate, of Ellendale, Ohio, near here, was killed instantly late last night when he was struck between the eyes by a bullet fired by one of the three highwaymen who were being pursued after they had held up and robbed Brate a few minutes before.

One of the robbers was heard to make an outcry as they fled, and it is believed one of them was wounded in an exchange of shots with Brate and Ellsworth Corey, of Hamilton, Ohio, who accompanied him in pursuit of the bandits.

Resolution to Repeal Most Wartime Law Approved.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 17.—House resolutions proposing the repeal of most special wartime laws was approved today by the Senate judiciary committee. Under the committee amendment the operation of the food and fuel acts would be continued.

Chief Justice White Still Absent.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—Chief Justice White was absent again today when the Supreme Court convened for its regular "decision day." It was said he was fully recovered from his recent illness, but had remained at home by advice of his physicians.

MEMBERS OF MILITARY GUARD TO BE TRIED

In Connection With Lynching of Wm. Baird, a Miner, at Jasper, Alabama, Last Thursday.

TAXICAB DRIVER MAKES CONFESSION

Baird Was Shot Ten Times in the Woods, Members of the Lynching Party Taking Turns in the Firing.

(By the Associated Press.) Jasper, Ala., Jan. 17.—A special term of Walker county circuit court will be convened next Monday at which time eleven members of Company M, Alabama National Guard, arrested yesterday, will be placed on trial in connection with the lynching of Wm. Baird, a miner, here last Thursday, according to an announcement here today by Judge Horace C. Wilkinson, special assistant attorney general.

Judge Wilkinson, who arrived here today to assist Solicitor Pennington and Coroner Legg, announced that the confession of Leslie West, a taxicab driver, who said he provided the cars for the lynching party, covered sixteen pages of typewritten matter and had been placed before the coroner's jury which resumed its investigation of the case. The prosecutor announced the evidence was practically ready to be handed to the grand jury.

AGREEMENT WITH UNIONS HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED

Wm. Cramp & Sons Say Action Was Caused by Metal Workers Breaking Their Agreement.

(By the Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Jan. 17.—J. H. Mott, president and general manager of the Wm. Cramp & Sons, ships and engine building company has announced that the agreement made a year ago with the American Federation of Labor has been discontinued. The contract, which provided that all intercourse between the employer and employee should be carried on through representatives of the union terminated December 31st. Notice of its discontinuance was sent the men on January 1. The company's action, Mr. Mott claimed, was due to the breaking of the agreement by the metal workers, about 500 of whom went on strike on December 22.

THE COTTON MARKET

Active Months Slipped 7 or 9 Points Below Saturday's Closing.

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, N. Y., Jan. 17.—The cotton market made a fairly steady showing at today's early trading. Cables were lower than were due and after opening unchanged to 7 points higher, active months slipped some 7 or 8 points below Saturday's closing, with January selling at 16.14 and May at 16.15.

SIX BANDITS' KILL TWO RAILROAD OFFICIALS

Held Up Automobile and Seized \$12,000 Belonging to N. Y. Central.

(By the Associated Press.)

Toledo, Jan. 17.—Six bandits killed two railroad officers here at noon today after holding up an automobile and seizing \$12,000 belonging to the New York Central railroad. Louis Schroeder and A. E. Long were killed in resisting the highwaymen. The bandits intercepted the automobile coming up town from the Union Depot with passenger fare receipts.

Life Insurance Men Meet in Charlotte.

(By the Associated Press.)

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 17.—Two hundred representatives of life insurance companies in North Carolina are holding a sales congress here today. F. W. Gamse, of Boston, Robt. J. Guinn, of Atlanta, Ga., and Chas. W. Sevel, of Pittsburgh are the principal speakers scheduled for addresses.

On a Negro Hunt.

(By the Associated Press.) Columbus, Ga., Jan. 17.—One negro is under arrest and two white men whose identity is known by officers are being hunted for the burning of Sheriff W. A. Betts' automobile which occurred at Goat Rock, in Lee County, Alabama yesterday afternoon proceeding the biggest whiskey raid ever made by officers of Lee County.

Tariff Bill Submitted to Senate.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—The House emergency tariff bill as amended by the Finance Committee was submitted to the Senate today by Senator Penrose, committee chairman, who promised he soon "would make every effort to press it to early passage."

REV. R. A. GOODMAN TO LEAVE MT. PLEASANT

Has Resigned as President of Mount Amoena Seminary and Pastor of Holy Trinity Church.

Rev. R. A. Goodman has tendered his resignation to the board of directors of Mount Amoena Seminary and to the members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at Mt. Pleasant as his pastor, and will become a State Librarian Christian Ethic.

Mr. Goodman has been President of Mount Amoena Seminary for the past ten years. He is a graduate of Honoko College and Mt. Airy Theological Seminary, the latter of Philadelphia, and during his Presidency the Seminary at Mt. Pleasant has grown greatly in scope of work and students enrolled.

Mr. Goodman has been pastor of Holy Trinity Church in Mt. Pleasant during his entire stay in that city, and his Church is recognized as one of the strongest in the North Carolina Synod. So far the directors of Mount Amoena have made no selection of a successor to Mr. Goodman, and the members of his Church have extended a call to no pastor.

Mr. Goodman has taken an active interest not only in religious and educational matters in this county, but in all things pertaining to the advancement and improvement of his home city and county he has been an active worker, and his many friends will regret to lose him.

LABOR TO TAKE UP ATTACKS BEING MADE ON UNIONS

Representatives of Over Hundred National and International Unions to Meet.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Representatives of the 100 National and international unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor have been called to meet in Washington February 23, "for the purpose of considering attacks now being made on the trade union movement," according to an announcement today by Frank Morrison, secretary of the federation. The call for the meeting was sent out by Samuel Gompers, Federation president.

Secretary Morrison said that the forthcoming conference "is one of several similar gatherings that have been called by the American Federation of Labor during its history to consider unusual conditions." In explaining further the intention of organized labor to give attention to attacks on trade unionism, Mr. Morrison said:

"These attacks include attempts to establish the anti-union shop, wage reductions, anti-strike laws, compulsory arbitration, labor injunctions, and a publicity that would mold the public mind to accept these backward steps. "I believe labor will formulate a plan to expose the pretense of men who are only interested in cheap labor and a continuance of their profiteering policy. The trade union movement is alert to the forces against it and proposes to act vigorously and courageously. Our opponents are mistaken if they imagine they have made the slightest progress in alarming the workers or that they will humbly accept a policy of reaction.

The proposed conference will consider the publicity and other methods of our opponents and it is quite possible that labor will launch an offensive movement against those who imagine they control practically every avenue of publicity."

A SERIOUS REBELLION OF PEASANTS REPORTED.

Soviet Leaders Fear the Revolt in the Ukraine Will Spread.

(By the Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 17.—A Central News dispatch from Riga, dated Sunday, says: "Moscow reports a serious peasant rebellion has broken out in the government of Podolia, Ukraine, under the leadership of Col. Tiejunik. The soviet government fears the revolt will spread in consequence of the refusal of the soviets to remedy numerous grievances."

Improvement in the Textile Situation in Massachusetts.

(By the Associated Press.)

Pawtucket, R. I., Jan. 17.—An extension of time schedules announced as reflecting improvement in business was reported in several textile mills today. D. Jenks Spinning Company, employing 2,500, after being closed last week, resumed operations with several departments on a four and five day schedule. The Loraine Manufacturing Company, employing 2,000 changed from three days a week to a five day schedule. The Weyportet Company, employing 1,000, began a five and a half day schedule after operating some departments three and others four days a week.

Killed in Dispute Over a Dime.

(By the Associated Press.)

Columbus, Ga., Jan. 17.—"Candy" Cobb, a well known citizen of Girard, Alabama, is dead, and Geo. West is painfully injured in a coal hospital while police are searching for Jack Veasey, who is alleged to have shot Cobb and West following a dispute over a dime. In front of the store of C. J. Windham in Girard. The shooting occurred early yesterday morning.

Would Tax Old Males.

(By the Associated Press.)

Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 15.—A tax on old males, as well as bachelors, was introduced here tonight by Mrs. Ida M. Walker, one of the four women members of the Kansas legislature.

During the war France employed 32,000 men upon the railways and 684,000 in munition works.

EDUCATION, HEALTH AND GOOD ROADS

The Three Greatest Questions the General Assembly at Raleigh Will Have to Deal With This Year.

WILL CONSIDER GOOD ROADS FIRST

It Is Desired to Start Road Construction Simultaneously in All Sections of the State.

Raleigh, Jan. 17.—Good roads, health and education, three of the biggest problems that the General Assembly will have to deal with this year, are expected to be brought before both houses this week.

Introduction of a good roads bill that will give the State a system of hard-surface highways will probably be made first and it was learned today that Representative Treen Bowie, of Ashe would sponsor the measure. Whether the bill Mr. Bowie intends to introduce will be the one drafted by a joint committee of the two good roads association, the North Carolina Good Roads Association and the Citizens Highway Association, is not known but it is understood that the bill drawn by the good roads advocates will be used as a basis for the proposed Bowie bill.

Members of the General Assembly are falling in line with the program outlined by Governor Morrison in his inaugural address that if the people of North Carolina have made up their minds for a modern system of hard-surfaced highway the roads should be built within the next five or ten years. The governor's suggestion that the roads should not be built by piecemeal has found lodgment in the minds of a number of senators and representatives and they are expected to support a measure which will start the road construction simultaneously in all sections of the State rather than the present policy of building short stretches over the State.

The governor has pointed out that while a state-wide system of highways will entail an enormous outlay of money it will and can be constructed if the people of the States are in earnest in their demands for good roads.

The question of raising revenue for carrying out the road program, and the matter of maintenance of the road construction simultaneously in all sections of the State rather than the present policy of building short stretches over the State. The governor has pointed out that while a state-wide system of highways will entail an enormous outlay of money it will and can be constructed if the people of the States are in earnest in their demands for good roads.

As to the matter of maintenance Governor Morrison favors a system of county upkeep rather than by the State. Speaking of maintenance the governor said today that it was his opinion that the universal sentiment over the State favored the county plan. The maintenance, he said, could be carried on by the counties which already have the machinery for keeping the "mud road" in repair and if the State built hard surface highways through the counties they could be maintained at far less cost, and much better than by the State.

Monday's Sessions.

Today's sessions of the senate and house are expected to be given over to consideration of the resolutions introduced Saturday for an investigation of the State architect's office and of the senate expenditures. The senate meets this afternoon while the House will not get down to business until 7:30 o'clock.

Speaker Grier is of the opinion that the majority of the purely "bill" bills, affecting only the counties, have been introduced. If this is true consideration of the bigger problems will soon be under way.

The bill introduced last week by Representative McSwain of Cleveland providing for the removal of the terms of office held by State officials has been killed, the committee refusing to make a favorable report. The McSwain bill would have limited the term of office for all State officials, with the exception of governor, to two terms of four years each. This was inspired, it is said, in answer to the charge so often made that it was well nigh impossible to "pry some of the present office holders loose" in spite of the fact that they have held their offices for about twenty years.

Urges State Police.

The recommendation from Federal supervisor S. R. Brane, of the prohibition forces, that a State constabulary be established to enforce the Volstead act in North Carolina is recognized as the first gun to be fired by Anti-Saloon leaders who desire some legislation to curb the manufacture of illicit liquor in this State.

Governor Morrison believes in law enforcement to the letter but he is not expected to ask the legislature to establish a State constabulary. He believes each locality is better able to do the work.

According to tests recently made by the Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wis., a cord of heavy wood, such as oak, beech, birch, hard maple, ash, etc., locust, and some varieties of cherry, is equal in heating value to a ton of coal.