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Food Control Halted By Prohibition Fight

Unprecedented Situation Develops In Senate As Result Of Effort Of House To Make National Prohibition Part Of Food Control Bill.

(By ROBERT J. BENDER)
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Washington, June 26.—The great prohibition fight, pending in the senate, has endangered the whole legislative program of the present Congress.

The Lester Food Control Bill is blocked by the tremendous confusion resulting from the injection of the sweeping "dry" amendment added to the bill in the House.

Threats and counter threats from opposing factions have brought about a situation perhaps without precedent in the upper branch of Congress. As a result a reaction has set in force against a drastic dry measure as an adjunct to the food bill. "Let prohibition go through on its own merits and not as an amendment to the food control measure," urged one "dry" member today.

Meantime letters and telegrams from all sections and from all factions are pouring into Washington.

Radical prohibitionists hail the situation as a propitious time to put across a national "dry" bill. Conservatives are urging against hitching the prohibition question onto the food bill.

Meantime senate financiers are mulling over the possible loss of \$750,000,000 in liquor taxes by the Federal Government and of \$3,000,000,000 by state and city governments.

The prohibition-food control measure is also threatened from another angle. Its opponents are endeavoring to so overload it that it cannot move. They say that if the Federal Government is to control food it must also control steel, oil, clothing and everything else to sacks and peanuts. Amendments providing for such control are still in reserve.

With this tangled skein to unravel, the senate committee on agriculture met today to redraft the House bill. It is hoped that the measure will be ready to be taken to the floor for a final fight Wednesday or Thursday.

VOTE TO BROADEN FOOD CONTROL BILL

(By United Press)
Washington, June 26.—The Senate Agricultural committee today voted to broaden the House Food Control Bill to include the regulation of coal, steel, oil and petroleum, products, farm implements and other necessities.

ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE PROPER TIME

(By United Press)
London, June 26.—"The American government will announce the disposal of its forces on the western front at the proper time," was the reply to the interrogator who wanted to know whether Americans would be under the supreme command of General Petain, General Haig, or General Pershing.

COUNCIL HOLDS MEETING

The Manteo Council No. 10, Degree of Pochontas, held its regular business meeting in the Red Men's Hall Monday evening. A good crowd was present and plans were made to help the milk and ice fund of the city, the Red Cross Society and to participate in the Good Will celebration.

Every member is invited to be present next Monday night. During the remainder of the summer meetings will be held on the first and third Monday nights.

WADDY TRAIN NOT TAKEN OFF

REPORT THAT NORFOLK SOUTHERN WAS ABOUT TO CURTAIL PASSENGER SERVICE PROVES WITHOUT FOUNDATION

A telegram has been received from Mr. Pugh today saying that the Norfolk Southern did not ask permission to take off Waddy's train.

C. R. Pugh and J. T. McCabe left Monday on the night express for Raleigh to attend the hearing before the Corporation Commission relative to the proposed curtailment of passenger train service by the railroads of the State. The various roads of the State will petition the Corporation Commission at this hearing for permission to make such reductions in their passenger service as they deem practicable; and the idea prevailed here that the Norfolk Southern would probably ask for permission to take off trains five and six, now operated between Norfolk and Edenton and known as Waddy's train.

In response to a call sent out to the citizens of the town a number of business men and citizens met at the court house Monday night and voted to send Mr. Pugh and Mr. McCabe to Raleigh to attend the hearing. If the Norfolk Southern petitions for permission to take off these trains, the Elizabeth City Representatives will point out that this would mean a 33-1-3 per cent reduction in train service for Elizabeth City leaving points between Edenton and Norfolk with only four passenger trains a day.

The Waddy train was taken off about two years ago, but was put back on when the Norfolk Southern secured permission to locate its passenger depot at Elizabeth City on the main line.

It developed at the meeting at the courthouse last night that trains one and two are now receiving mail at Elizabeth City. There is no mail clerk on the train but the mail pouch is taken on to Edenton or to Norfolk and through mail reaches its destination no later than heretofore.

However, it is evident that so long as the present schedule is maintained Elizabeth City's mail service must remain to some degree unsatisfactory as a large amount of mail from the north arrives at Norfolk just too late to make connection with the Norfolk Southern. The N.Y.P.&N. connection that we were congratulating ourselves on some time ago has proved a delusion inasmuch as the N.Y.P.&N. boat has not made connection with the Norfolk Southern one time since the new punching order went into effect.

The N.Y.P.&N. steamer is scheduled to arrive at Norfolk twenty minutes before the departure of the Norfolk Southern. This connection is therefore possible. But a large part of the northern mail comes into Norfolk by way of Richmond and does not reach Norfolk until about eleven o'clock. Manifestly this mail will continue to lie over in Norfolk all day until a change in the present Norfolk Southern schedule is effected.

SEVERE EARTHQUAKE IS RECORDED

(By United Press)
Cleveland, June 26.—A very severe earthquake at a distance of 4,000 or 5,000 miles was recorded here by the seismograph today. The earthquake lasted for two hours and seventeen minutes.

NAMED TO SERVE ON BOARD EXAMINERS

Mr. C. H. Robinson received a telegram from Governor Bickett Monday advising him that he had been named by the President to serve on the Pasquotank county board of examiners of the men drawn from this county to serve in the United States army under the selective draft. The other members of the board here will be Dr. Zenas Fearing, county physician, and Mr. W. C. Glover.

The appointees have been advised by the Governor that they have been appointed after careful consideration and each of them is urged to accept the position tendered them. The Governor hardly allows any appointee any alternative except to accept the appointment, so strongly does he urge upon them their duty in the matter.

TO RAISE \$1,000 FOR GOOD WILL DAY

The committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to raise the money for the expenses of Good Will Day begins work early Wednesday morning.

One thousand dollars will be required to celebrate Good Will Day on the scale planned for by the Chamber of Commerce and the committee hopes to secure the full amount within twenty four hours. All business men and others who will contribute to the fund are urged to make their subscriptions on the basis of the amount needed and be ready to report when they are called upon.

The following are the members of the committee: J. C. Sawyer, H. G. Kramer, Henry C. Newbold, E. F. Spencer, G. R. Little, C. R. Wilkinson, Bill C. Sawyer, J. T. Stallings, Louis Selig.

ARGENTINE CLOSE TO SEVERING RELATIONS

(By United Press)
Buenos Aires, June 26.—The sinking by a submarine of the Argentine steamer, Toro, which has been officially admitted, has brought Argentine very close to a severance of relations with Germany.

ROOT PREDICTS EARLY VICTORY

(By United Press)
Petrograd, June 26.—Victory by Root at Moscow, "if every government and every people will turn fully to the task."

OVERSUBSCRIBES THIRTY PER CENT

(By United Press)
Norfolk, June 26.—Norfolk has oversubscribed to the Red Cross fund thirty per cent.

Tonight At New Theatre

Nance O'Neil, famous star, who is to be seen at the New Theatre tonight in "Greed," a five-act drama, one of McClure's Seven Deadly Sins, is known as one of the greatest emotional actresses of today. Miss O'Neil was born in Oakland, California, and educated in Snell's Seminary there.

Miss O'Neil first appeared under the management of McKee Rankin, at the Alcazar Theatre in San Francisco. Her success was an immediate success, and soon went to New York to appear with Weber and Fields. Since that time her rise has been rapid, her exceptional dramatic ability being immediately recognized.

When Miss O'Neil entered motion pictures she found the motion picture patrons just as appreciative and just as eager to see her as were the audiences who had seen her on the speaking stage. She was starred by Lubin, Fox and Metro, before she joined McClure Pictures, appearing in such well known film dramas as "The Fires of Johannis," "Souls in Bondage," "Unto These Who Sin," "A Woman's Past" and "The Iron Woman." Miss O'Neil recently was married to Alfred Devereux-Hickman, for three years her leading man and author of nearly all of the motion picture dramas in which she played. Mr. Hickman plays "Jimmie" Hobson in "Greed."

GROW HAY AFTER SMALL GRAIN CROP

LAND SHOULD BE PREPARED AND PLANTED IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS. HOMEGROWN HAY WILL BE IN GREAT DEMAND

West Raleigh, N. C., June 25.—North Carolina farmers have just finished harvesting their crop of small grain. This year's home-grown supply of wheat and oats is made. The land on which it grew is ready for something else. Some of it has wisely been planted to clovers and grasses for hay and pasture this fall and next summer, some has been planted to late corn, and some to peas and other summer-growing hay plants. But much remains at this writing without anything planted either to make feed or improve the soil.

This land is doubly unfortunate in not having opportunity to contribute its full share to this country's support in time of need or to gather fertility by means of legumes and store it to add to next year's crop. But why force this land to rest or remain idle? The land wants to work, the country needs the products of its efforts, and the individual farmer, the local landowner or farmer needs every ounce the land can possibly raise.

Under normal conditions North Carolina farmers need more hay annually than they grow. Under conditions as they exist now, and bid fair to exist next year and the year to follow, home-grown hay is certainly going to be in great demand. A surplus of hay cannot be made from grass and clover meadows already planted. There is only one channel of increased production immediately available—that is by means of the more complete utilization of the field from which small grain has recently been harvested. From these fields a half million tons of hay more than has ever been grown should be harvested next September and October. But that cannot be unless the land is prepared and planted within the next two weeks, according to Mr. J. M. Johnson, Office of Farm Management, North Carolina Experiment Station.

If practicable, plow every field of small grain stubble that is not already showing a valuable crop, fertilize it, harrow, and then drill cowpeas or soybeans for hay. If no drill is available, sow broadcast and disk or drag them in. If time in which to plow and harrow the stubble land before seeding is not available, then speed the work by disking thoroughly, if possible, immediately after good rains, and plant the seed. The main point is to get these lands covered with a summer-growing legume just as quickly as possible, feed the soil and fill barns and stack yards with hay for winter and spring.

Why not devote our time to making something else and buy hay from the North and West?

We have been doing that in the past, but the practice costs too much for normal times; and when our roads get busy, as they are going to be with other traffic this fall and winter, it will be extremely difficult to get them to transport hay to a country that has had every opportunity of raising its own supply. Patriotism will demand other service of the railroads, and both profit and patriotism demand that we take care of local needs and interfere with no one in his great duty.

MR. CHENEY HERE TO FIX FAIR GROUNDS

Mr. Albert Cheney has arrived and will begin to prepare the Fair ground for the Albemarle Agricultural Association within a few days.

Mr. Cheney is well experienced and will have the grounds laid off in a short time.

BIG SALE AT S. R. SIFF CO.

The big June Clearance Sale of S. R. Siff Co., begins Thursday, June 28th, and ends July 7th.

This firm holds a big sale at about this time every year and the people of this city and of the vicinity await the coming of the event with interest. Thousands of excellent bargains are to be offered at very low prices, and the store is expected to be crowded, as Mr. Siff has put special efforts forth to put the best on sale at the lowest prices possible.

WIDESPREAD INTRIGUE THROUGHOUT SPAIN

Madrid, June 26.—The suspension of all constitutional guarantees is announced today by the cabinet. The ministers explained that widespread political intrigue necessitated this order.

Tonight At The Alkrama

At the Alkrama, today matinee and night, Hearts Desire is the name of the picture, and it is a Paramount production with the inimitable Marie Doro as the star.

Hearts Desire is a lovely romance that will be sure to please. The picture deals with the life of a courageous peasant girl, and the story is one of intense interest.

"Mrs. Vernon Castle will be seen at her best in Patria tonight, and it will be more than worth your while to come out and see it," says Mr. Kramer.

VENIZELOS WILL FORM CABINET

Athens, June 26.—King Alexander has formally announced that he has entrusted to the former premier, Eleutherios Venizelos, the task of forming the new cabinet, the selection of which is expected to weld allegiance immediately to the new government.

MITCHELL'S RECEIVES BIG SEA TURTLE

The clerks of Mitchell's Department Store were taken by surprise Tuesday morning when a large sea turtle was sent to the store.

There was no explanation of where the turtle came from, but it is thought probable it was caught by Mr. O. F. Gilbert or by Dr. J. H. Hathaway, who are on a fishing trip this week.

SHRINE CONVENTION

Minneapolis, June 26.—Shriners—about 25,000 of them took possession of Minneapolis today and will continue 'to sort of run things,' during the two days national convention of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North America.

FOOTBALL GAME IS SUSPENDED

Washington, June 26.—The West Point-Annapolis foot ball game has been suspended for the duration of the war, it was announced today.

WEATHER

Probably fair and continued warm tonight and Wednesday; gentle variable winds mostly south.

TO SUBSCRIBERS

A few readers of The Advance did not take careful note of the editorial last week, "Your Paper and You," and consequently were surprised on the next day when they received a statement for their subscription a few days before their time was up. We, therefore, take this space to say again that we have hundreds of subscriptions expiring July 1st and in order that collections may not be so long deferred and that subscribers may be given an opportunity to discontinue their paper promptly if they wish to do so, we are getting these statements out to subscribers as rapidly as possible this week. Payments made when the bills are presented will lessen the cost of collection to us and give us timely aid at a season when advertising is usually at low ebb. Those who cannot pay when the bills are presented will do The Advance a great favor by making a special effort to renew their subscriptions not later than July 1st.

MURDER MYSTERY TAKES NEW TURN

FATHER GASPER MORETO, ITALIAN PRIEST, ADMITS THAT ALFREDO COCCHI MADE CONFESSION TO HIM BEFORE LEAVING AMERICA

(By United Press)

New York, June 26.—The Ruth Cruger murder mystery took a new turn today with the summons before the grand jury of Father Gaspar Moreto, Italian priest, who early this morning admitted to the authorities that Alfredo Cocchi confessed to him just before escaping to Italy.

District Attorney Swann announced that he expected to have definite evidence that the police had "determined efforts to shield Cocchi and to side track the investigation."

FRENCH CAPTURE GERMAN TRENCHES

(By United Press)

Paris, June 26.—Suddenly assuming the offensive on a wide front north and west of Hurtebise, the French last night captured the front line of German trenches and completely attained all objectives aimed at, according to this morning's official announcement of the war office.

BRITISH WIN IN AERIAL BATTLE

(By United Press)

London, June 26.—Three British naval planes fought ten German aircraft in aerial battle over Roulers, downing one in flames and probably destroying two others. The Germans were apparently starting out for a raid. The British aviators and their planes were unharmed.

REMEMBERS WAR TAXES

People talk of never having heard of having to pay United States internal revenue taxes before, says Mr. M. B. Cuipepper of this city, and proceeds to exhibit official United States receipts for war taxes paid in 1869 and 1870. One of the receipts is for one dollar, the internal revenue tax on a watch, and the other is for \$5.84, internal revenue tax on retail business.

NOTICE TO THE PATRONS

OF NORFOLK & CAROLINA TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This is to notify the patrons of the above named Company that under the existing laws we are compelled to have the various reports which we have to make to the Federal Government and to the State in on time or we will be penalized for failing to comply with the law.

We therefore request you to have your rent in the Company's Office, 519 East Fearing street, not later than the 10th of each month. Upon your FAILURE to comply WE WILL BE COMPELLED TO DISCONTINUE YOUR SERVICE FROM THAT DATE.

Owing to conditions brought about by the present war we are unable at any price to purchase more instruments, and if we should be compelled to take out your phone we will be unable to reinstate you until conditions change. Therefore, take notice and govern yourself accordingly.

All telephone rents are DUE and PAYABLE on the FIRST DAY OF EACH MONTH in advance at the Company's office. Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co.,

C. W. GRICE,
General Manager.