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REVENUE BILL TO PASS TOMORROW IT IS ANNOUNCED

SENATOR SIMMONS WILL MAKE EFFORT TO GET IMPORTANT MEASURE TO VOTE BEFORE ADJOURNMENT IF NIGHT SESSION NECESSARY

ZONE POSTAL LAW MAY GET ITS DEATH BLOW

Four Billion Dollar Tax For 1920 Effort of Senator Simmons Thought Measure is Opposed by the Republicans

By The Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Although several leaders of general Senate debate indicated progress on the war revenue bill Senator Simmons chairman of the Finance committee, announced that an effort would be made to pass the measure before adjournment tomorrow with a night session if necessary.

Republican leaders, however, expressed the belief that the measure would go over until Monday.

Practically all of today's session was devoted to discussion, the principal speakers being Senator Johns of New Mexico and Senator Thomas of Colorado both Democrats. The former declared the bill contained many unequal items and objectives which discourage the conduct of business and said the party which permits such injustices to continue would be driven from power.

Senator La Follette Republican of Wisconsin, plans to discuss his amendments bill tomorrow, after which Senator Simmons hopes to obtain a vote on the committee amendments providing for a $1,000,000,000 tax in 1920, the portion which Republicans are opposing.

Just before the Senate adjourned, Senator McKellar, Democrat, of Tennessee announced that he would demand a separate vote by final passage of the 6th on the postal section tentatively accepted by the Senate late yesterday, providing the repeal of the present zone system for second class mail and substituting a one cent a pound rate within 150 miles and 1 1-2 cents beyond.

KING VICTOR EMMANUEL IS GUEST OF FRENCH

Honored at Luncheon of French Minister and Called on Last Night By President Wilson

By The Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. 21.—Stephen Pichon, the foreign minister, and Mme. Pichon gave a luncheon today at the foreign ministry house in King Victor Emmanuel, President Poincare and the Prince of Piedmont. The guests including the Italian premier, Victorio Orlando, and the foreign minister, Baron Sonnino, Marshal Foch, Marshal Petain, the president of the Senate and Senator President Fondet and the ambassadors accredited to France, Italy also were the guests.

King Victor Emmanuel accompanied by President Poincare, went to the Academie des Inscriptions et Belles Lettres this afternoon, where they were received by Paul Girard, president of the institution. M. Girard made a short address expressing his admiration for Italy. The King and President Poincare then went to the ministry of foreign affairs.

President Wilson this evening visited King Victor Emmanuel.

METHODISTS FINISH CONFERENCE IN MEMPHIS

By The Associated Press.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 20.—The conference of leaders of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, adjourned here today after outlining plans for the campaign to raise in the south between April 27 and May 4, $35,000,000 for domestic and foreign mission work.

It was decided that field secretaries in various districts should work out their own details of the general campaign plans announced yesterday. Speech making and devotional services tonight closed the conference.

THE WEATHER.

Corpus Christi: Fair tonight and Sunday; light northwesterly winds.

Thou, too, sail on, O Ship of State!
Sail on, O Union, strong and great!
Humanity with all its fears
With all the hopes of future years,
Is hanging breathless on thy fate!
We know what Master laid thy keel,
What Workmen wrought thy ribs of steel,
Who made each mast, and sail, and rope,
What anvil rang, what hammers beat,
In what a forge and what a heat
Were shaped the anchors of thy hope!
Fear not each sudden sound and shock,
'Tis of the wave and not the rock;
'Tis but the flapping of the sail,
And not a rent made by the gale!
In spite of rock and tempest's roar,
In spite of false lights on the shore,
Sail on, nor fear to breast the sea!
Our hearts, our hopes, are all with thee,
Our hearts, our hopes, our prayers, our tears,
Our faith triumphant o'er our fears,
Are all with thee,—are all with thee!

—Henry W. Longfellow.

Becker Would Justify Disclosures Against Hearst And Bolo Pasha

New York Attorney General is Questioned By Senator Reed. Disclosures For Political Purposes Claims Missourian

By The Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Most of today's session of the Senate committee investigating German propaganda was taken up with bits between Alfred L. Becker assistant attorney general of New York and Senator Reed of Missouri who is not a member of the committee.

Senator Reed in cross examining the New York official, who had been on the witness stand two days charged that Attorney General Lewis, attorney general of New York and Becker misused their official position in making public information which was privileged to them and which was solicited. These affidavits were read at different meetings of William R. Hearst were introduced as a matter of record in the Van Dreman case.

Mr. Becker denied the charge, saying that the affidavits made public were not secured under the special legislation. He said that certain disclosures concerning the activities of Hearst and Bolo were made public "for what I frankly admit were political purposes." He justified this course on the ground that their publication was in the public interest.

The interest under the discussion was given to the New York newspapermen mainly in August, September and October when Becker, was a candidate for the Republican nomination for attorney general of New York State and Attorney General Lewis was a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor against Chas. E. Whitman. It appeared from the cross examination that Hearst was considered a supporter of Whitman, and Senator Reed sought to show that Lewis and Becker intended to damage Whitman by attacking Hearst.

Senator Reed read from a New York newspaper of July 21, 1915 a story telling of Bolo Pasha's attendance to a Metropolitan opera season, a Spanish woman whose relations with Bolo was declared by Becker to be entirely innocent. In the story was a letter from Bolo to the singer, mentioning "Mr. Hearst, Mrs. Millicent Hearst."

Mr. Becker admitted having given to the papers the statement containing this letter.

"What was the purpose of giving it out at this particular time?" inquired Senator Reed.

"It was an interesting piece of news which I thought the public would be glad to read," Mr. Becker replied smilingly.

TOO MANY HALF BAKED OPINIONS SAYS MARSHALL

VICE PRESIDENT WANTS PEACE BUT NOT AT ANY PRICE AND THINKS IDEA MEN WILL DEAL JUSTLY REGARDLESS OF LAW IS MILLENIAL DREAM

URGES EXTENSION OF THE MERCHANT MARINE

Does Not Believe in Government Ownership but Thinks it Must to Be Preferred to Subsidizing Private Lines—America's Weakness is Lack of Ships Upon the Seas

By The Associated Press.

Carlisle, Pa., Dec. 21.—Vice President Marshall during an address tonight at the Carlisle Chamber of Commerce gave his views on some questions now under discussion in connection with the peace conference, stating he regarded with the proposition that Ireland as thought of endeavoring to effect President Wilson's resignation on the question of a world league or understanding to conduct with which he said all right thinking men agree is desirable. Mr. Marshall declared that all men agree that will, wars will not cease, unless nations desire peace at any price. He said the Allies and the United States ought go very far toward promoting peace but added that unless reciprocal trade agreements are made between the peaceful nations existing normal relations cannot exist.

"It is farthest from my thoughts as an Irishman to utter a single word which may in any manner be construed as endeavoring to affect the negotiations of the British in Europe," said the vice president in opening his address.

"Too many half-baked opinions coming from myself and others in public life may cause mental and moral indigestion. I speak therefore only in general terms and say only in the length that all may agree.

"That some means of understanding among civilized peoples for the prevention of future wars was I prefer to put it, rather than for the enforcement of peace, is inevitable as right-thinking men agree. It has been the dream of all ages. That for this dream of universal peace the most successful time format into a materialize.

"This appears to me to be the real situation. If mankind the world over is the wrecking of a hundred years ago, or if there is the possibility that either England, France, Italy or the United States outstrips the growing germ of militarism, or commercial expansion, strenuous steps will be made to preserve the peace of the world, the strongest will be another Europe.

"If, however, the masses of mankind in these free great nations and in the same nations the union, whether the Fate Line have made here been a new light and are convinced of the uselessness and folly of war and if more and more education and enlightment as the days go by, are the generations come and go shall add to the number of those who think, then the experiment will succeed.

"Until all men are of good will wars will not cease entirely unless nations want peace at any price.

VERSAILLES NO CONGRESS OF BOSSES

PRESIDENT WILSON OUTLINES DIFFERENCE BETWEEN COMING CONFERENCE AND THAT OF VIENNA—NO ONE MAN CAN DECIDE ALL BIG AND WEIGHTY PROBLEMS TO BE BROUGHT UP

By The Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. 21.—"I am confident that the big points of settlement of the world will be brought at peace and reasonable settling of the problems that will be presented to them, and that the gratitude of the world for the great colleges and necessary service which you have rendered it," said President Wilson today in an interview, referring to the approaching peace conference.

The interview was given to the correspondent of the London Times. In it the president is reported to have stated his views on the discussion in the Deadlock if the war had to have occurred the event of the Versailles congress with a hopeful outlook for the Versailles conference.

Lord Northcliffe, editor of the London Times, has given the American press a copy of the interview, from which the following extracts have been made.

The congress of Vienna, the representative says President Wilson told him, was a congress of "bosses." The delegates were concerned more with their own interests and the classes they represented than the wishes of their peoples.

"Versailles, as President Wilson said," the interviewer continues, "must be a meeting place of the servants of the people represented by delegates and, he added, there is no master mind who can settle the problems of today. If there is anybody who thinks he knows what is in the mind of all peoples, that man is a fool. We have all got to put our heads together and pool everything we have got for the benefit of the ideas which are common to all."

WILSON INVITED TO BUCKINGHAM BY KING GEORGE

REPORTS THAT THEY ARE TO DISCUSS RUSSIAN SITUATION ARE INACCURATE—NOT DEFINITELY SETTLED THAT PRESIDENT WILL ACCEPT

By The Associated Press.

London, Dec. 20.—King George has invited President Wilson and Mrs. Wilson to be his guests at Buckingham Palace during their stay in London, but reply has not been received. It is assumed that the president will accept, but the whole matter will be deferred to the president's personal wishes.

Representatives of the various departments concerned with the reception of the president will hold a meeting tomorrow to settle all details.

The Associated Press was informed by the British foreign office today that the report printed by the Manchester Guardian that the president was coming especially to discuss the Russian situation is inaccurate. The visit of the president will be one of courtesy and not political, though naturally the affairs of Russian affairs may come in the course of the conversations.

From past informed circles it was learned that there is no foundation for the reports that British reinforcements are being sent to Russia. It is understood that nothing of this nature will be done pending the allied conferences in Paris.

King George will give a banquet at Buckingham Palace December 27, in honor of President Wilson.

The visit of President Wilson as announced, as at Washington Tuesday, will be the first time in history that any president has been entertained at the Palace.

ELECTIONS IN GERMANY SET MONTH EARLIER

CHANGE IN DATE IS HISSED BY ADHERENTS OF DR. KARL LIEBKNECHT, LEADER OF SPARTACUS GROUP—ELECTION OF NEW CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Berlin, Thursday, Dec. 19.—The changing of the date for the elections from February 16, originally agreed upon, to January 19, by virtually an overwhelming majority was greeted by loud applause from the floor of the house and by hisses from the galleries which were filled with supporters of Dr. Karl Liebknecht, leader of the Spartacus group of socialists, "all the soldiers' and workmen's and guns."

There had been nervous tension throughout the day in the fear that Liebknecht might attempt a coup to disperse the congress. Nothing of the sort happened, however, the only incident being the withdrawal of the Independent Socialists as a protest against a statement of Hugo Haase, regarding the attitude of the colonel toward the new executive committee still to be chosen. Haase claimed the cabinet would be entitled to carry its measures even against the advice of the executive committee, whose only reply could be to remove the cabinet.

The election of a new central executive committee has been completed. The socialist members are largely in the majority, giving the cabinet a support it heretofore lacked. Not only are many of the members really ultra men, but radicals like George Ledebour, Dr. August Mueller and other members of the old executive committee have been eliminated.

NORTHCLIFFE IS AGAINST CLOSED DOORS

LONDON EDITOR ADVOCATES THAT PEACE CONFERENCE SHALL DO NOTHING IN DARK OTHERWISE ALL THAT WAR FOUGHT FOR MIGHT BE JEOPARDIZED—SAYS LABOR IS ALARMED

By The Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. 21.—Lord Northcliff, chairman of the London headquarters of the British mission to the United States, who is visiting Paris, today gave to the Associated Press the following statement regarding his ideas as to the need of open diplomacy in conducting the peace negotiations so that the people may know what is going on.

"Nothing can be worse for the prospects of the coming conference," said Lord Northcliff, "than an atmosphere of secrecy and half truths. Let us at the present, there has been no official statement that the momentous meetings about to take place will be held in accordance with President Wilson's expressed views on the question of open diplomacy.

"The days of secret conclaves are dead and gone. Clandestine assemblies are the harbingers of intrigue, suspicion and possible dissension. It would be intolerable that the fate of whole nations—great and small—should be decided in secret. Shall the sacrifices of millions of peoples in all quarters of the globe be left to the tender mercies of a comparative handful of delegates against whom enrichments there is no public control? Such would be mockery of that principle of self-determination of free nations which had been fought for and won in this war.

"Labor, on whom the great burden of the during this war has mainly fallen is alarmed at the prospect of great world plans being carried out without its knowledge. It is reported from London that the labor party has sent a strong protest to our government which so far has done nothing to allay public anxiety.

"The British press and people must be called upon to support fully the president's enlightened condition as to the need of publicity at the moment. Such meetings appear to begin in Paris on the eve of January."

OTTO H. KAHN TELLS LOYALTY TO ALLIES

New York Banker Answers Testimony Given in Pro German Investigation Before Senate Committee

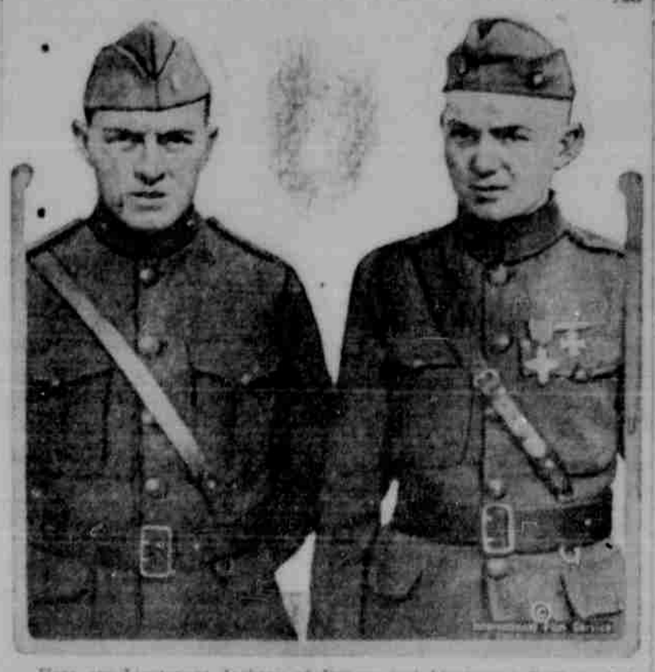
New York, Dec. 21.—In reference to the testimony before the senate committee in Washington today, Otto H. Kahn issued the following statement tonight:

"From the very beginning of the European war I have demonstrated by my actions and speeches and writings words and utterances of Francophobe Germans, my utter hostility to her cause, and my active and wholehearted sympathy with the cause of allied nations. Within a few months of the outbreak of the war, I became and have continued to be ever since an object of abuse and attack in the German press.

"I take my stand according to the dictates of my conscience and judgment. I have never wavered in that stand either publicly or privately. It was known widely and without better than to German emissaries and the German government.

"My record ever since 1914 in the support of the allied cause and in opposition to the German cause—not to speak of loyalty to the American cause—is clear, open and unequivocal. If that record does not protect me against mis-representation, misconception or misinterpretation, nothing that I may say will."

TWO MARINES WHO WON DECORATIONS



Here are Lieutenant Jackson of Denver and Lieutenant Godbey of St. Louis, officers of the U. S. marines, who were given the D. S. C. for courage under most severe shell fire.

CANCELLATION OF ALL REGULATIONS ON FLOUR MILLS

PRICE OF BRAN GOES UP AND FLOUR IS PREDICTED TO DROP AS RESULT OF REMOVAL OF ALL REGULATIONS — HIGHER MILL FEEDS MEANS CHEAPER FLOUR TO CONSUMER

By The Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Elimination of all food milling regulations, including fair price schedules and the price and quality guaranteeing on the sale of wheat flour by millers which officials expect will result in cheaper flour, was formally announced here today by the food administration.

Notification of the action was sent last night to all users of the food administration's grain corporation and today many mills began raising the price of wheat bran and other mill feeds on the Minneapolis market which of course means it is followed by a rise in flour prices.

Existing regulations and restrictions of margins of profit on flour and mill feed products in effect as the result of regulations of the food administration prohibiting purchasing, handling and selling products and officials said there would be no attempt enforced.

The publication of changes made in the regulations, it was stated at the food administration, is based on the amount of rise in the price of mill feeds amounting to several dollars a ton. Operation of the measure would result in flour and mill feeds made by the food administration milling division and grain experts stated that with the usual movement of trade there is fall in the price of flour on a basis of an average drop of three and four dollars a barrel as a net decrease on mill feed.

ONLY TWO INFLUENZA DEATHS IN DECEMBER

Dr. Kaffie City Physician Reports Continued Improvement in Conditions

Dr. Kaffie, city health officer, reported this morning that only two deaths from influenza occurred in the city during the month of December, thus far, now the fourth and one on the fifth. This is according to the records in the office of the city secretary.

Dr. Kaffie said there were only four cases of influenza reported during the past week. "There have been no cases reported here of returns of the epidemic," said Dr. Kaffie, "but there have been four cases reported to me, some three of the fourth and fifth of the month, and one of my own doctors has been of pneumonia following and possibly complications, but I do not consider it safe to say that there will be no further cases reported."

BRITISH LABOR SEEKING INTERVIEW WITH WILSON

By The Associated Press.

London, Dec. 21.—The British labor representation has been proposed that the British labor delegation on the war division Paris to attend the world's labor conference should seek an opportunity to present an address to President Wilson in the name of entire labor and socialist movement.

In view of his impending visit to England, however, the national committee hopes to find an occasion to present the address while he is here.

At a meeting of the City Council of Westminster, the mayor was authorized to arrange for the decoration of the streets in honor of President Wilson's visit.

RAILROAD MEN OPPOSE FIVE YEAR PROGRAM

RATHER THAN WAIT THAT LONG WILL ASK RETURN OF ROADS WITHOUT ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION AND AT EXPIRATION OF TWENTY-ONE MONTH PERIOD

By The Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 21.—Definite proposals asking for prompt return of the railroads to the passage of remedial federal legislation was worked out at a meeting here today of the standing committee of the association of railroad executives according to an announcement tonight. While provisions of the plan were not made public, it was said they call for the consideration every detail of the problem. The problem will be submitted next month to the president's extension commission if it is approved at a full meeting of the executive called here for December 30.

Whatever the case, it was stated, the executives are opposed to extending the period of federal control beyond 21 months after the signing of peace. It is understood that unless there has been extended the time limit as suggested by Director General McAdoo, this would probably be the case without the passage of legislation.

A split as to what form the recommendations should take is reported to have developed at the meeting, but the 24 members of the committee present unanimously declared against the grant to the railroad executives of blanket power to formulate plans of the roads.

MEXICAN COTTON PICKER HAS $2,400 IN POCKETS WHEN SEARCHED BY COP

A gold nugget weighing 2 1-2 pounds, several ounces of gold dust, fifteen pesos and $2,400 in Mexican money were found on the person of a Mexican cotton picker who had been arrested on the charge of petit larceny.

The gold dust reported stolen from Madison and in one of the pockets a handkerchief.

Police Chief Will Reed recommended the case to the grand jury for further action. The officer did not state whether the Mexican had stolen the gold dust or found it.

RIVERS-BARBORS' BILL HAS FORTY NEW DEALS

By The Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 20.—More than forty new improvement projects are included in the river and harbor bill which was reported today by the house committee and will be considered by the house next week.

The committee carries appropriations to indicate at $30,125,000.

For the new work which is scattered along the Atlantic and Gulf and Pacific coasts and the Great Lakes, the committee provided for an expenditure of $6,750,000, while the cost of certain improvements on existing projects amounts to $13,214,000. Maintenance cost on other work includes $7,347,000.

HEARST AGAIN MAIN POINT OF INVESTIGATION

COLONEL LYDECKER SAYS THAT PRESIDENT MENKEN OF SECURITY LEAGUE RESIGNED BECAUSE OF INTERVIEW WHICH SEEMED TO FAVOR NEW YORK PUBLISHER

SECURITY LEAGUE WILL NOT STOP ACTIVITIES

Committee making Investigations Adjourned Meetings Till January 6. Finances of League Bared to Investigation Committee by Colonel Lydecker

By The Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Col. Chas S. Lydecker president of the Chicago National Security League, today told the House committee investigating the organization's activities in the last Congressional campaign.

The league's expenses from December, 1914, when it was formed, until last September 30 were $331,674. Total receipts were given as $319,165, the building membership fees and contributions from wealthy men.

Col. Lydecker told the committee that the activities of the league will not cease with the ending of the war, and he outlined a contentious educational program which he said now is under consideration.

During the discussion Col. Lydecker was asked why Raymond Menken had resigned as president of the league last June. Colonel Lydecker replied that after Mr. Menken had refused to repudiate William Randolph Hearst for opposing certain national preparedness measures, both Mr. Menken and members of the executive committee had decided that it would be better for him to resign.

"Mr. Menken gave an interview to a reporter of the New York American when Mr. Hearst complained it was not fair for the league to abuse him after he had rendered such aid to it in the early days of its organization," Col. Lydecker said. "In his interview Mr. Menken stated how much the Hearst publications had aided the league and added that the public opposition toward Hearst was due more to the way they lined at his articles rather than to the facts the articles really contained.

"That statement turned its way in the minds of the people as Hearst was being seriously criticized at that time for his attitude towards the war, and as any one who stood by him came under the most severe condemnation of the National Security League. It was believed a new league president should be chosen."

The committee adjourned today until January 6 when Colonel Lydecker will go on the stand again.

AWARDING OF SPECIAL PREMIUMS CLOSES SHOW

Increased Interest in Rabbit Raising to Beat High Cost of Living is Reported

The awarding of some special premiums closed the sixth annual Nueces County Poultry and Pet Stock Show yesterday. Premiums offered by the Nueces Island Red Club to be given only to exhibitors of Rhode Island Reds who were members of the club and on birds that were Club prize winners were awarded as follows: For the best colored hen, Dr. T. A. Anderson on first colored hen cockerel female, Jess Lambert on first hen, best shaped hen Jess Lambert on first hen.

Specials offered by the American Poultry Association to be awarded only to members of the association winning premiums were J. P. Herold a medal on the best bird of the fourteen class and a medal on the best colored which was awarded on the blue Andalusian.

The premiums on Best Sex Zealand rabbit was not filed New Zealand doe and buck in the adult division was won by Henry Wilke, instead of as otherwise reported and the ribbon for best any Flemish Giant Junior doe was won by Harry H. Davis.

A noticeable feature of this year's show was the fact that while last year's exhibits numbered less than two hundred and seven dozens of people the said to be taking exhibits in their back yards in Spanish Hall on good nights.

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, The Government has issued its call for the completion of payment before December 31st, 1918, of all pledges made to the United States Treasury Department to purchase War Savings stamps, and

Whereas, The County Judge of said county has been requested by the Government to direct attention by proclamation to the fact that the fulfillment of War Savings Stamps pledges.

Therefore, I H. R. Sutherland, County Judge of the County of Nueces, Texas, do hereby announce the said Government call for liquidation by December 31, 1918, of all War Savings Stamp pledges, that all pledged persons in Nueces County may take notice.

Done this 19th day of December, A. D. 1918.

H. R. SUTHERLAND,
County Judge Nueces County.