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CLOTURE EFFORT POLITICAL MOVE

REPUBLICANS ATTEMPT IN VAIN TO ATTRIBUTE FAILURE TO DEMOCRATIC OBSTRUCTION—BASED ON SLIM HOPE

Washington, July 8.—The strategy involved in the Republican movement today for a rule of cloture was based on hope that the country might become impressed with the idea that the Republican failure to enact tariff legislation was due to Democratic obstruction, according to Senator Oscar W. Underwood, Democratic leader, in an interview tonight.

That the movement was initiated in knowledge that it would be defeated, and that it was made in a kind of desperation purely for political effect, Senator Underwood declared to be true.

"It was a ridiculous plan," continued the senator. "The country understands that there was no justice in an attempt to gag the senate prior to discussion of the most important schedules, those relating to cotton, wool and dyes. The country also understands that after the Republicans had been permitted, some time by unanimous consent, to make amendments to their schedules, it was foolish for them to attempt a rule under which Democrats could make no amendments."

"It was solely a political ruse, conceived in desperation, doomed to certain defeat, and destined only to emphasize the indefensible nature of the Republican bill. The country is with the Democrats in their fight against the bill. I have never seen the country, people and press of all political persuasions more united against a proposed party measure. The Republicans are sick of it, and yet they can not do as they would like to do namely, drop it."

The duplicity of the Republican strategists was exposed further by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, who declared that even were the bill to be enacted under cloture within two weeks, it could not be sent to the house until after August 15. The house adjourned with the permission of the Republican majority of the senate.

Senator Underwood repeated tonight his former statement that the Democrats would not unnecessarily delay the passage of the bill. He expressed a determination, however, adequately to discuss and dissect it. He declared that the country demanded this service of Democrats.

It was his prediction that the bill would pass the senate by August 10.

Dr. S. W. Page of Greenwood came over last night and operated on a patient at the Hospital.

BASEBALL NOTICE

The management of the Abbeville Baseball Team announces that hereafter all games played in Abbeville will be duly advertised in the Press and Banner, so that the people from a distance who desire to trade here will know that the stores will be closed at a certain hour on the days games are played here. Watch this space for notice of the games.

The charges for attending the games will be 50 cents for men, and 25 cents for ladies and children.

The stores will be closed, or at least a petition is being circulated asking that this be done.

The Abbeville boys play the Greenwood team in Greenwood today and tomorrow, the games starting at 4:30. All the "rooters" are expected to attend.

GERMANY MUST LOOK TO FRANCE

HELP MAY COME FROM ACROSS THE RHINE—CAN BE PREVENTED ONLY BY LOOSENING OF GRIP UPON REPARATIONS SITUATION

Washington, July 9.—Germany, facing a political and economic situation generally, admitted as most serious must, in the view of American officials as expressed today, look across the Rhine to France for necessary relief.

France, it was stated today by one official in close touch with developments in Europe, must loosen her grip upon the reparations situation to lighten Germany's financial burden, or utter collapse of the former strong central power may result, and a radical regime arise from the ruins.

Help from the United States, it generally is maintained by officials here, only can be given Germany in the form of loans of private capital and Germany can obtain loans only through the offer of sufficiently protective security to attract investors. Under the present reparations scheme, it appears to officials here that all of Germany's resources are bound to the wheel of allied payments and held close by the hand of France so that unless Germany can obtain concessions to permit of the pledging of some of her potential wealth as security, all hope of financial assistance from without must be abandoned.

The suggestion was made in an informed German quarter today that there must be recourse to the Russian system of barter if Germany is to go on at all. Unable to pay the American cotton grower and the copper miner in any kind of acceptable currency and without coin, the German manufacturer must offer in return for the raw material a certain proportion of the finished product into which it is made up. It is fully realized by the Germans that any such plan would encounter bitter opposition from the labor interests of the countries with which Germany seeks to barter. But that in their opinion, as obtainable here, is the only course open to the maintenance of German industries. And if they close down through lack of market for their products, it is declared that the result will be a tremendous addition to the unemployed classes in Germany, result in great dissatisfaction and the probable overturn of the present government and the substitution of a more radical regime.

NEW AUTOMOBILES ARE REGISTERED

Over 800 Licensed During Month of June, Highway Department Announces.

Columbia, June 8.—South Carolinians bought 821 "brand" new automobiles during the month of June, which would indicate that a little money is still left in the state. The figures were compiled yesterday by the state highway department. This number of new machines were registered with the department during the month.

In this list of new registrations Richland led with 135, while Greenville was second with 82. Spartanburg had 73 and Charleston 71 with Florence registering 38. Jasper and McCormick tied for the booby prize with 2 each.

C. P. TOWNSEND HOME

Mr. C. P. Townsend was dismissed from the Abbeville Hospital this morning and will be at home on South Main street until able to take up his work again.

CHILE ACCEPTS PERU PROPOSAL

ARBITRATION FOR TACNA-ARICA CONTROVERSY—MANNER IN WHICH UNITED STATES SHALL PROCEED SET FORTH IN AGREEMENT.

Washington, July 9.—Chile has accepted the latest Peruvian proposal for arbitration of the Tacna-Arica controversy, clearing the way to a successful termination of the Chilean Peruvian conference which began here eight weeks ago.

The Chilean reply was communicated to the Peruvian delegation tonight by Chilean Ambassador Mathieu after the receipt of instructions from the Santiago foreign office. It was indicated that a joint session of the conference probably would be held Monday to put the agreement into final form.

As it now has been accepted by both sides, the agreement provides for arbitration of the 40 year old controversy by the United States in the following manner:

That the arbitrator decide whether a plebiscite shall be held in the disputed province of Tacna-Arica, as originally provided by the treaty of Ancon.

That in case a plebiscite is decided on, the arbitrator shall fix the conditions under which it is to be held.

That if the decision is against a plebiscite, Chile and Peru will enter into direct negotiations to decide to whom the province belongs; and

That in the event these direct negotiations do not result in an agreement within a specified time both sides will request an exercise of "good offices" by the United States to aid in a settlement.

Except for the final clause, this is the compromise formula suggested by Secretary Hughes after the Washington conference had reached a deadlock on June 7. The final provision, providing for an exercise of "good offices," was added at the suggestion of Peru, whose representatives regarded it as necessary to complete the formula and make certain that all possibilities of further controversy on the subject were eliminated.

BIG STILL CAPTURED

On the Abbeville-Greenwood County Line Saturday.

Abbeville and Greenwood County officials accompanied by a revenue officer captured a mammoth still on the Abbeville-Greenwood county line at the old Bullock place Saturday. The still was a 100 gallon capacity steam outfit complete. The officers destroyed a 6500 gallon fermenter and a 65 or 70 gallon steam boiler which was buried in the ground and connected with a pipe to the steam plant. 2000 gallons of beer was destroyed, sugared up and ready for making, which would have turned out about 125 gallons of liquor.

No one was in charge, and no arrests were made by the officers. The plant seemed to have been an old one and run for sometime.

EIGHTEEN STORY BUILDING

Mr. A. B. Morse says he is interested in the erection of a handsome eighteen story building on the corner lot near the Episcopal church, the first story being under construction now, to be used as a filling station by Mr. G. A. Harrison the other 17 stories to be added later. This eighteen story business might be taken two ways.

Breaks Swimming Record.

New York, July 9.—Miss Sybil Bauer, of the Illinois Athletic Club, Chicago, broke the world's record for the 100 yard back stroke swim for women in a 75 foot pool today by one fifth second. She finished in one minute, 15 4-5 seconds.

CRISIS IN BERLIN FOR GOVERNMENT

ASSASSINATION OF FOREIGN MINISTER HAS AGGRAVATED PERIOD OF CURRENCY DEPRESSION—MANY HARD PROBLEMS

Washington, July 8.—The fall of the German government is threatened and stringent measures have been enacted for the protection of the republican regime, the commerce department was advised today in a cablegram from Commercial Attache Herring at Berlin.

The political crisis resulting from the assassination of Foreign Minister Rathenau, Mr. Herring reported has aggravated the period of currency depression inaugurated by the failure of the foreign loan negotiations and the feeling is now general that Germany faces grave complications with the fall in exchange, which dropped to the lowest level in history today.

"The consideration by the reichstag of important legislation," he said, "including the forced loan bill and grain subsidy measures, was interrupted by the Rathenau incident and by the consequent consideration and enactment of stringent measures for protecting the republican regime. These measures provide the death penalty or life imprisonment for conspiracy against the republic."

"Bavaria, where the anti-republican feeling is believed to be most prevalent, refuses enforcement of these protective measures, alleging that no necessity for them exists."

"Intense party feeling prevails in Germany, being manifest in numerous assemblages under police supervision. All anti-republican agitation is being suppressed. A strike among Berlin printers has resulted in the suspension of nearly all newspapers."

"The passage by the reichstag of a grain subsidy measure providing for the assessment of large quantities of bread grain from farmers at prices appreciably under market level has aroused bitter opposition from the agrarians and the national party which threatens the fall of the government."

STATE CANDIDATES RESTING

Have Visited 17 Counties—To Open In Sumter July 17.

Orangeburg, July 9.—About 700 voters heard candidates for state offices in Orangeburg Saturday, a large proportion of the audience being women. Following the meeting Saturday the campaign party disbanded to meet in Sumter July 17, this week being taken off. The party so far has been through 17 counties in the southwestern portion of the state.

ROLAND TURNER ILL

Mr. Ralph Turner was telephoned for Saturday night to come to Charlotte on account of the illness of his son, Roland, who has fever at the home of his grandmother. Roland is critically ill but Leon, the younger boy, is improving.

A telegram was received by Mrs. Sam Shiver at noon today saying Roland was "slightly better."

BIBLE SOCIETY DUES

Messrs. Fred Cason and A. B. Morse are out canvassing this week for the usual membership dues of 50 cents for the Abbeville District Bible Society. There is never any trouble collecting membership dues for the Bible Society.

GRAND COTTON SALE

Joe Link of the Bethia section made a fine cotton sale Saturday, selling twenty bales of cotton at 24 38 cents per pound.

FORD CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENCY

MANUFACTURER WILL MAKE RACE AS INDEPENDENT ON MUSCLE SHOALS ISSUE. THE PARTY SYSTEM IS "BUNK."

Washington, July 9.—Political Washington takes cognizance today of the fact that Henry Ford is a candidate for the presidency of the United States. Ford headquarters have been opened in Chicago. For the first time the picture of the manufacturer appears in newspaper advertisements throughout the United States. His issue will be "Muscle Shoals a specific instance of the Republican party's unwillingness or inability to legislate in the interest of the people against the dictate of the masters of big business."

Ford is running neither as a Democrat nor a Republican. He entered both the primaries in Michigan when he aspired to a seat in the senate. Party government like history is "bunk" to Ford, and party rectitude is anathema to him—like the Jew, it is said.

Both Democratic and Republican headquarters in Washington have heard that Ford will offer "as the friend of the people, as one who has always bucked the trusts, as one who having grown rich, desires to divide his money with those who have none."

Under ordinary circumstances, both Democratic and Republican headquarters would scoff at Ford's plan to "flivverize" the government just as they scoff at his financial scheme of issuing currency with natural resources such as Muscle Shoals, rather than gold, as a basis. But the circumstances are not ordinary. Politically, they are revolutionary, and it is known that Ford has acquired a hold on the imagination of the people. It is known that many of the people, farmers and laborers, believe that he could do with government just as he has done with the automobile. So old strategists of both parties do not scoff. They are indulging a passion for watchful waiting. The third party bugaboo has not lost its terror for the Republicans, and the Democrats are uncertain whether a candidacy for Ford would aid or hurt them.

DEATH OF MRS JANIE T. BOWIE

Mrs. Janie Thomson Bowie, widow of the late James A. Bowie, died July 10, 1922.

Funeral services will be conducted at her late residence Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock and interment will be at Upper Long Cane cemetery.

ELEVEN STRONG.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bradley and family returned Sunday to their home in Columbia, having eleven passengers in the car in addition to luggage. John McMurray and Otis McMurray with nine Bradleys completed the party.

CONTINUES VERY SICK

Mr. J. H. Barksdale continues very sick at his home on Haigler street. Complications arising within the last few days cause concern to his family and friends.

MAYOR'S COURT

Four cases of disorderly conduct came up before Mayor Mars this morning. Two were fined ten dollars each and two were fined five dollars each.

L. C. Haskell, R. L. Mabry, Robert Stalnaker and J. Allen Smith, Jr., were among the baseball fans going to Greenwood this afternoon to see the ball game.

MOBILIZE TROOPS FOR STRIKE DUTY

PROTECTION TO BE GIVEN TO NONUNION MEN—THE RAILROADS PREPARE TO OPEN SHOPS MONDAY WITH OTHER WORKMEN

Chicago, July 9.—With soldiers on active duty in Illinois and troops mobilized in five other states, the ninth day of the strike of railway shopmen passed quietly, while many railroads prepared to resume active operations of their shops tomorrow, several carriers having warned striking employees to return by that date or forfeit seniority rights.

B. M. Jewell head of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor, had nothing to say at strike headquarters here and no news was forthcoming from the carriers or the United States railroad labor board.

While the Sunday holiday was uneventful, the rest of the week was fraught with possibilities. Tomorrow members of the board, who averted a strike of 400,000 maintenance of way men and 14,000 signalmen through negotiations with union officials last week, are expected to confer with E. H. Fitzgerald, head of the clerks' union, in an effort to prevent the issuance of strike orders to this organization. Confidence was expressed here tonight in quarters close to the labor board that the clerks would follow the example set by the maintenance of way employees and signalmen.

With the carriers urging striking employees to return to work, preparations were complete on a score of lines to attempt to resume active shop work tomorrow. Vacancies in the ranks, according to the railroads, will be filled by the hiring of new men. Realizing the possibilities for trouble with such a program, some of the railroads have asked for soldiers to protect their shops, while others expected to afford private protection to those who worked.

While the railroads predicted that many strikers would flock back to work when assured that protection would be afforded, union headquarters here have maintained that the strike is daily becoming more effective.

With the federal courts already intervening in a number of places to prevent picketing by the strikers, the week was also expected to reveal to a large extent the attitude of the department of justice towards the strike. From Washington came the announcement that the department was investigating reports that strike disorders were interfering with the mails and Charles Cline, United States district attorney, said yesterday he had received instructions from Attorney General Daugherty to use force, if necessary, to keep the mails and interstate commerce moving.

COTTON MARKET

Cotton on the local market today brought around 23 cents. Futures closed

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| July | 21.83 |
| October | 21.83 |
| December | 21.71 |
| January | 21.37 |
| March | 21.28 |
| Futures closed Saturday | |
| July | 22.48 |
| October | 22.47 |
| December | 21.27 |
| January | 21.97 |
| March | 21.78 |

MISS GRAVES RETURNS

Miss Caroline Graves returns to Washington, D. C. today after a very pleasant visit to Mrs. Frank B. Gary and other friends in Abbeville.