

Senators Move to Change Rule on Secret Vote

Early Action on the Proposal to Abolish Closed Sessions Is Seen.

Washington, May 25.—Senators interested in abolishing secret roll calls made plans this week-end to try to force early action to modify the rules of the senate concerning closed executive sessions.

On Monday the senate rules committee plans to question Paul R. Mallon, United Press staff correspondent, who obtained the secret roll calls on the confirmations of former Secretary of Interior Roy O. West and Customs Judge Irvine L. Lenroot. The senate rules committee subpoenaed Mallon following publication of the Lenroot roll call. But due to criticism of secret sessions the rules committee is expected to question Mallon only briefly.

Members have said there would be no "inquisition" and they have said publicly they do not expect Mallon to disclose the source of his information. They consented to question Mallon in public instead of in secret and to permit him counsel.

Efforts to change the rules to abolish secret roll calls will be made before congress recesses for a summer breathing spell. Senator Jones of Washington, assistant republican leader of the senate, has pending a proposal to take roll calls on presidential appointments in open session. He will press it for action before the recess. Senator George Norris, republican, Nebraska, who led the fight against Speaker Cannon in the house twenty years ago, and changed the rules to break the power of the speaker, is supporting Jones in the demand for early action.

Warning by La Follette. Strong demands for a change are being made also by Senator La Follette, republican, Wisconsin, who has warned the senate that unless it changes the rule, he will carry the issue to his constituents and determine whether a senator has the right to tell his state how he votes on important nominations, such as that of Lenroot.

More conservative senators such as Reed, republican, Pennsylvania, are now reconciled to a change in the rules and predict it will take place shortly. Reed now believes it would be better to publish roll calls officially than to allow senators to give out information unofficially, as he feels they are now doing.

Change in sentiment in the senate is regarded as having been brought about by the flood of newspaper criticism of secret sessions which was provoked when the senate rules committee undertook to discipline Mallon for publishing the Lenroot roll call and by the hard blows dealt at secrecy in senate debate by La Follette and Hiram Johnson of California.

A sequel to the conflict between the senate and the press this week occurred today when Senator David A. Reed, republican, Pennsylvania, offered through his secretary, to meet correspondents this afternoon "to discuss senate executive sessions, newspaper ethics and swap viewpoints."

Reporters Indignant. The indignation of newspaper cor-

respondents was visited upon Reed this week because in criticizing the United Press publication of the Lenroot roll call, Reed referred in senate debate to the "so-called ethics of the so-called profession." Newspaper correspondents almost without exception criticized this utterance as unfair and unwarranted. It was thought Reed's offer to correspondents today was to correct the effects of his critical remark.

Newspaper correspondents immediately circulated a petition which bore about fifty names of representative correspondents which read: "The undersigned respectfully ask that the standing committee of correspondents inform Mr. Ted Huntley, secretary to Senator David A. Reed, that if the senator has any thoughts on newspaper ethics he present them on the floor of the senate, where he made his original statement on 'the so-called ethics of the so-called newspaper profession.'"—Lincoln Star.

Pair of Movie Stars Accused

Eleanor Boardman and King Vidor, Her Husband, Are Charged With Evading Tax

Los Angeles.—The names of Eleanor Boardman, motion picture actress, and King Vidor, her husband, who is a director, were added today to the growing list of Hollywood personages accused by the government of evading their income tax obligations.

A federal grand jury yesterday returned an indictment against the actress charging her with evading income tax payments during 1925, 1926 and 1927. At the same time an information was filed in federal court accusing Vidor of similar evasions in 1925 and 1926.

Miss J. Marjorie Berger, Hollywood income tax counselor, previously had been indicted on a charge of having prepared a false income tax return for Miss Boardman and Vidor for the year 1926. Miss Berger has been named in five federal indictments lately on charges of having prepared false returns for several motion picture stars.

The indictment against Miss Boardman charged that for the years 1926 and 1927 she prepared her own returns and paid taxes of \$1,522.73 and \$989.41 on incomes of \$52,177.59 and \$36,916.31 for 1926 and 1927, respectively. The government charged that the tax paid represented only one-fourth to one-half the amount actually due.

Vidor's income for 1925 was figured by the government at \$141,124.89 and \$88,350 for 1926. For the respective years he paid taxes of \$2,222 and \$895.34. The federal information alleged that the tax paid represented only 25 to 50 per cent of the amounts due.

Miss Boardman's income for 1925 as set forth in the indictment was \$41,826.72. Miss Berger was alleged to have wrongfully figured the tax at \$1,500.73.

Less than two weeks ago Tom Mix was indicted, while a short time before names of eleven others, most of whom are prominent on the screen filed against Miss Berger and Edward H. Hayden, another income tax expert.

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Seminary 'Liberals' are Seen as Victorious

Presbyterian General Assembly Expected to Uphold President of Princeton.

St. Paul, Minn., May 26.—Settlement of a controversy which for a decade has been a sore point in the Presbyterian church of the United States will be sought at the general assembly Monday in discussion revolving about control of Princeton Theological seminary, Princeton, N. J., and involving conflict between "fundamentalist" and "liberal" groups.

Victory for the "liberal" group appears to be in prospect for the first time with the new moderator, Dr. Cleland B. McAfee of Chicago, sympathetic to their cause. The result of a test vote last Friday on the question of procedure in which Dr. McAfee scored a victory over Dr. J. Gresham Machan, ultra-conservative member of the Princeton faculty, is regarded by delegates as signifying a complete triumph Monday.

"The liberal" program calls for creating of a single board of control for the seminary and dissolution of the two boards of trustees and directors, now in conflict. In addition it provides for extension of the power of the president to make possible effective action toward ending faculty conflict.

The ultra-conservative group who seek to have the boards as they are now constituted and to reduce the powers of the president, Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, accused of "liberalism," so that he would amount to an administrative agent of the faculty and the boards.

So bitter has the controversy become on the seminary campus, the assembly was told, that members of the two factions on the faculty have refused to associate with one another even to the extent of shaking hands. Alumnae and friends similarly have been perturbed in the matter to a point where the assembly has held that the spiritual energy of the church was being reduced.

Dr. Stevenson is accused of favoring a program opening the way of theological doctrine of the seminary to new thought.—World-Herald.

GIVE FRIEND FAREWELL

From Wednesday's Daily.—Last evening Miss Alice Funk was hostess at a very pleasant social gathering which was in the nature of a surprise arranged in honor of Miss Doris Young, and which the friends enjoyed as one of the last opportunities of being with their friend. The evening was spent in playing games which were conducted by Miss Elizabeth Hart and which made an occasion of the rarest enjoyment despite the fact that friends are parting very regretfully with their friend.

Miss Young is one of the splendid young people of the community and because of her wonderful personality has made a host of friends. She is a graduate of the class of 1929 of the local high school and has been an active member of the school, especially in debating and dramatics.

Thursday Miss Young leaves for Vincennes, Indiana, at which place she intends to enter junior college this fall, taking up teaching as her chosen course of study. Her sister, Vera, is a resident of Vincennes where she is engaged in deaconess work and with whom Miss Doris will make her home.

The young friends last evening joined in presenting Miss Doris with a very handsome gift as a token of their esteem. The evening was closed with the serving of dainty and delicious refreshments.

STREAMER RUNS ON A ROCK

Seattle.—Radio dispatches received here said the Alaska Steamship company's liner Aleutian struck a rock in Yukon bay, on the jagged coast of Kodiak island, Alaska, early Sunday and sank in deep water.

Her crew of 135 and 156 passengers were taken off by the coast geodetic survey steamship Surveyor and were being taken to Seward, Alaska, 269 miles northeast of Kodiak. The master of the ill-fated ship was to return to try and locate the sunken craft.

The water was reported normal when the ship struck at 5:30 o'clock this morning in Larsen bay, an indentation in Yukon bay.

The Aleutian, formerly the Panama and the Havana, was valued at \$1,000,000 by the company officers who spoke of her as the finest ship in their service. She was captained by John S. Nord, who had a record of more than thirty years in Alaskan waters without a mishap until he took over the command of the Aleutian.

The ship, of 5,400 tons, was put into the Alaska service two years ago. She was built in Philadelphia in 1898.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

The meeting of the Community Planning Committee will be on Friday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of Mayor John P. Sailer, instead of Wednesday as was first announced. All members are urged to be present to discuss the permanent organization of the committee.

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WEARS OUT HER WELCOME

Reno, Nev.—Pleasure purveyors of this cradle of divorce, hard hit by a widespread prohibition drive Saturday night, awoke Sunday to discover that the cause of much of their trouble was a woman—herself a client of the town's famous courts of separation. Mrs. Stanley King, known as Billie Rivers, divorced from Dewey Rivers here May 13 and married to King last Thursday, went before the federal grand jury at Carson City Friday and gave information which resulted in twenty-one arrests for dry law violation Saturday night. Hard hit were prominent establishments which have done their best to make the marital cure one with pleasant side lights.

She is leaving town now, because, she believes, her welcome at resorts where her status of divorcee seeker proved an unquestioned passport has worn itself out.

Alien Exclusion is Defeated in the Senate

Amendment to the Census and Reapportionment Bill Meets With Disfavor.

Washington.—The senate disposed of one of the most controverted amendments to the census and reapportionment bill on Tuesday by defeating the Sackett proposal to exclude aliens from the count upon which representation in the house would be based.

Later the senate accepted a proposal by Senator Watson of Indiana, the republican leader, to prohibit debate on the bill after 2 p. m. Wednesday and limit discussion on any amendment to five minutes. A final vote is expected shortly after the debate curtailment goes into effect.

The amendment of Senator Sackett, republican, Kentucky, was rejected, 45 to 29. Its purpose was to prohibit the director of census from taking into consideration aliens in making the computations upon which a state's representation in the house would be based. Friends of the census bill contended the exclusion of aliens was not constitutional and a number of those who voted against the amendment declared they did so on that ground.

Eleven republicans and eighteen democrats supported the amendment while thirty-seven republicans were joined by eleven democrats in opposition to it.

Turn Down Amendments

The senate also turned down a number of amendments closely allied with the effort to exclude the aliens from the reapportionment count. Among these was one by Senator Robinson, democrat, Mississippi, which would have ordered a new apportionment should an amendment be adopted to the constitution declaring aliens not entitled to be counted. This was defeated 55 to 24.

The senate likewise rejected a proposal by Senator Black, democrat, Alabama, to have the census enumerators list aliens who came into this country lawfully and those who entered unlawfully. Senator Johnson, republican, California, in charge of the bill, said that it would be impossible to expect enumerators to make a worth while computation of this kind.

One of the few amendments adopted was one by Senator Dill, democrat, Washington, providing that enumerators would determine how many homes had radio communication. The vote was 65 to 18.—State Journal.

DEDICATE NEW TEMPLE

From Wednesday's Daily.—Last evening the Elmwood lodge of the Masonic order dedicated their new home in that city with a very impressive ceremony conducted by the grand lodge of the Nebraska A. F. M. officiating. Frank H. Woodland, of Omaha, grand master, was present and conducted the dedication, assisted by other of the grand lodge officers.

Following the dedication a fine banquet was served at which there were present a very large number of the members of the order from Nelawka, Weeping Water, Murdock, Alvo and Plattsmouth to take part in the delightful occasion. Harry Tollhurst, master of the Elmwood lodge, presided over the banquet.

The Elmwood Masons have purchased the building at the southeast corner of the square and have had the upper portion of the building, formerly the opera house, remodeled into one of the most attractive lodge rooms in the state and which will make it a grand assembly place for the members of the order in the energy and progressiveness of the members of the order in that place.

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Dish-Washes Her Way on the Screen

Colleen Moore, Star of First National's Special, "Lilac Time," Says She's an Authority

Customs are different in different countries. There are ancient customs and modern customs, but the custom of washing dishes is the same the world over. At least that is the conclusion of Colleen Moore, who is starred in First National's super production, "Lilac Time," which will be shown at the Parmele theatre tonight, Friday and Saturday.

Miss Moore admits she is an authority on the subject. During her career on the screen she has washed hundreds of dishes under nearly every conceivable condition. She washed dishes in "The Desert Flower" and she washed dishes in "Lilac Time." When she played "Ellis Kinders" she washed dishes, and she washed dishes in "Her Will Out."

In "Lilac Time" she washed dishes. It is just a dash on the screen, it is true, and the dishes are French dishes, but nevertheless the winsome star had to scrub and scour several hundred before Director George Fitzmaurice said enough.

"Lilac Time" is an adaptation of the stage play by Jane Cowell and Jane Murfin and was produced for First National Pictures by John Victor-Nick. It is a charming love story of a little French girl and her British aviator sweetheart with the World War as a background.

The chief supporting roles are played by Gary Cooper, while others in the cast include Burr Melrose, George Cooper, Cleve Moore, Kathryn McGuire, Eugenie Besserer, Emile Chautard, Jack Stone, Edward Dillon, Dick Grace and Stuart Knox.

Barthelmess Makes Brilliant Vitaphone Debut

Has Excellent Dramatic Role of Convict Who Sings and Plays His Way to Freedom.

Richard Barthelmess has at last made his debut in talking pictures—what a debut! Our favorite motion picture star has entered into this newest phase of the cinema with a vengeance and we herewith predict for him a career of success that will dwarf his already brilliant one. Barthelmess will appear in his newest First National starring vehicle, "Weary River," at the Parmele theatre starting Sunday and running for three days.

Silent or other wise, "Weary River" would have been adjudged a great picture. It is one of those rare Barthelmess characterizations which we have rightfully expected from him and which he has delivered in "Tobacco David," "The Patent Leather Kid," and more recently in "The Noose" and "The Wheel of Chance."

But in addition to Barthelmess' usual splendid screen presence, his unmatched pantomimic talents, are added to an amazing degree by the use of his voice. Audiences will be surprised to hear the highly pleasing quality of his voice in "Weary River." He plays the song, "Weary River," on the piano with excellent feeling and respect for its sentimentality.

Frank Lloyd has done an exceptional piece of directing and the cast is a notable one, especially in regard to Betty Compson, who was seen before opposite Barthelmess in "Scarlet Seas." Miss Compson also speaks, as does William Holden as the warden and both register exceedingly well.

The story concerns a singing convict whose musical meditations brought him out of prison from where he broadcasts over the radio, thus winning fame, liberty and a girl. The story is deeply human and fraught with the genuine stuff of greatness.

BISH MAY SEEK IOWA U. GAME

Lincoln, May 26.—Herbert Gish, athletic director of the University of Nebraska, speaking on behalf of the athletic division of the university, said Sunday that Nebraska would like to play the University of Iowa in football, if such a game could be arranged.

Director Gish arrived here early Sunday morning from Chicago, where he attended a meeting of Western conference athletic officials. Gish left Chicago before the secret "Big Ten" meeting was held, at which time the University of Iowa was voted out of the Western conference and dropped from all 1929 football schedules of the Big Ten.

Asked if Nebraska would seek a berth in the Big Ten, Director Gish said that Nebraska was satisfied with being a member of the Big Six, but if asked to join the Western conference, then Nebraska might be interested.

RECEIVES PRIZE

From Wednesday's Daily.—In the awards given at the St. John's school commencement, mention of which was made in the Journal last evening, the name of Theodore Libershal, winner of the second prize for diligence in music, was omitted. This young man has showed a very fine progress in his work in the junior section of the music department of the school and his work much appreciated.

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