

Today

Two Little Earthquakes. The Turk's "Jolly Life" Ends. A Fussing Husband. Down Falls the Franc. By ARTHUR BRISBANE

Time Not Ripe for Independent P. I.

Coolidge Says U. S. Owes Protection—Reaffirms Faith in Wood.

Washington, March 5.—President Coolidge informed the Philippine independence mission today that in his opinion the time has not yet come for separation of the Philippines from the United States.

In a letter to Manuel Roxas, chairman of the mission, the president also declared that the United States government "has full confidence in the ability, good intentions, fairness and sincerity of Governor General Wood."

"In the present state of world relationships," the letter said, "the American government owes an obligation to continue extending a protecting arm to the people of these islands."

Mr. Coolidge's letter was written in reply to resolutions passed by the island legislature asking for independence and attacking General Wood. The president's views are expected to have weight in house consideration of a bill providing for independence, recently reported by the insular committee.

This measure, committee members say, was brought in merely to place the question squarely before the house itself for discussion.

"The government of the United States," the president wrote, "would not feel that it had performed its full duty by the Filipino people, or discharged all of its obligations to civilization, if it should yield at this time to your aspiration for national independence."

Subject of Disagreement. "The extent to which the grievances which you suggest are shared by the Filipino people," the president wrote, "has been a subject of some disagreement. The American government has information which justifies it in the confidence that a very large proportion at any rate, and possibly a majority of the substantial citizenry of the islands, does not support the claim that there are grounds for serious grievance. A considerable section of the Filipino people is further of the opinion that at this time any change which would weaken the tie between the Filipinos and the American nation would be a misfortune to the islands."

Declaring that the world "is in a state of high tension and unsettlement," the letter points to the possibility "of either economic or political disorders calculated to bring misfortune, if not disaster, to the Filipino people unless they are strongly supported."

The government is convinced, the president said, that General Wood, of the Philippine legislative bodies, had intended "to act and has acted within the scope of his proper and constitutional authority."

"Thus convinced," he continued, "it is determined to sustain him and its purpose will be to encourage the broadest and most intelligent co-operation of the Filipino people in this policy."

To Sustain Him. "Looking at the whole situation fairly and impartially, one cannot but feel that if the Filipino people cannot cooperate in the support and encouragement of an good administration as has been afforded under General Wood, their failure will be rather a testimony of unpreparedness for the full obligations of citizenship, than an evidence of patriotic preparedness to advance their country."

The communication was 3,000 words in length and reviewed in detail the declarations of the Philippine legislature and the grievances against General Wood. The gist of the complaint, the president said, was "that the present legislative authority of the islands is in your opinion out of sympathy with the reasonable aspirations of the Filipino people."

Indian Woman Out on Warpath

Rose Truedell, full blooded Sioux Indian woman, was on the war path last night, her landlady, Mrs. Beatrice Gardner, 2715 Q street, testified in South Omaha municipal court Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Gardner said Rose threatened to throw her out of the house, as the result of an argument. Rose was discharged on her agreement to seek lodgings elsewhere.

Three for Representative.

Lincoln, March 5.—Three fillings were made today for state representative. W. B. Votaw, Maywood, republican, filed for office from the Eighty-sixth district; S. M. Kinsinger, Hayes Center, democrat, and John S. Wise, Hamlet, republican, each filed for election from the Eighty-eighth district.

James H. H. Hewitt, Alliance, filed nonpolitically for judge from the Sixteenth district.

Petition and receipt were filed for placing on the primaries ballot the name of H. B. Shellenberger, Stamford democratic candidate for state senator.

Rudolph Brazda, West Point, clerk of Cuming county, filed on the democratic ticket for state auditor.

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Speakers Describe Foreign Mission Field



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Beatrice, cleverest of the trio, who did the eccentric dancing and played the soprano saxophone, fainted as she danced and died before an ambulance arrived.

Ex-Gob Admits 30 Omaha Robberies

George Mead, arrested for investigation in connection with a series of recent burglaries in Omaha, is alleged to have admitted to police that he has robbed between 20 and 25 homes in Omaha. He also admits, according to police, that he twice deserted from the navy.

He was arrested after he pawned a pearl-handled automatic revolver which was stolen from Anna Crippen, 2706 Burt street. The weapon was a gift to her from Fred Spoboda, University of Nebraska student.

Mead was bound over to district court in municipal court Wednesday morning on \$5,000 bond.

Talk on Temples and Tombs.

Mr. George A. Miller, pastor of the First Christian church, will speak on "Temples and Tombs" at the meeting of the Concord club at Hotel Fontenelle Thursday noon.

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20 Investigations Are On in Congress

By International News Service. Washington, March 5.—More official investigations are now in progress in congress than at any time in the history of the country. These inquiries include:

SENATE. The leasing of government oil lands. The official acts of Attorney General Daugherty. Alleged propaganda in favor of against the Mellon tax bill.

CHARGES OF LAND FRAUDS IN TEXAS. Of Senator Mayfield of Texas. The bureau of internal revenue. Charles of land frauds in Texas. The veterans' bureau. Medical "diploma mills."

Sale of seal fur by the government. Conditions in Russia. Diplomatic methods in connection with world oil supply. The agricultural situation.

HOUSE. The United States shipping board. Conditions among the Indians. The Philippines' proposals for a new naval base on Pacific coast. The soldiers' bonus. Legality of the Denby-Doheny Hawaiian construction contract.

Connection of congressmen with veterans' bureau scandal. Government aircraft contracts.

Omaha Insurance Manager Is Dead

Thomas H. McWilliams, 51, district manager of the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York with offices in the City National bank building died Tuesday night of paralysis after a month's illness. He came to Omaha 20 years ago from Des Moines. He is survived by his widow; a daughter, Margaret; and a sister, Mrs. H. C. Ludden of Mineral Point, Wis.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 at the Crosby-Moore funeral home.

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Vet Bonus Likely to Be Insurance

House Ex-Service Men, However, Urge Optional Cash or Insurance.

By Associated Press. Washington, March 5.—A twofold soldier bonus plan providing options of full cash payments or paid-up insurance "was proposed to the house ways and means committee today by a committee of veterans representing house democrats."

Representative Jeffers, Alabama, chairman of the democratic committee, who presented the plan, argued the government owed former service men adjusted compensation which should be offered in the "coin of the realm."

Full cash payments would eliminate administrative difficulties and cost involved in other bonus programs, Mr. Jeffers said, and would enable the government to settle the whole question in a year.

If all veterans elected to take cash payments, Mr. Jeffers said, it would take \$1,519,500,000, which could be met by a bond issue. He favored compensation for army officers up to the rank of captain.

The same basis of figuring adjusted compensation used in the bill passed last session—\$1 a day for home service and \$1.25 a day for overseas service, would be applied in the plan, and payments would be limited to \$500 for home service and \$625 for overseas service.

By International News Service. Washington, March 5.—Small cash payments and paid-up insurance policies will form the basis of the new soldiers bonus bill, soon to be passed by the house, according to all indications today.

With the approval of the American Legion, the house ways and means committee plans to draft a bonus bill providing for cash payments only to those veterans who are entitled to no more than \$50 on the basis of \$1 per day for home service and \$1.25 a day for services overseas. It is estimated that this will cost the treasury only \$36,000,000.

The great majority of the veterans will get insurance policies, the amounts to be based on their length of service. The policies will have a cash loan value.

Representatives of the American Legion in conference with the framers of the bill have agreed to drop the land gift, farm loan aid and vocational aid features of the bonus legislation vetoed by President Harding in 1922 and to concentrate on the new two-way plan.

Demos and Rebels Agree. Representative Garner of Texas, leading democratic member of the ways and means committee, indicated today that the democrats were ready to swing to the two-way bonus plan. Representative Fish, republican, of New York, leader of the "veterans' bloc" in the house, also approves it.

Garner explained the attitude of the minority when he announced his willingness to support a bonus bill, which he has opposed for two years.

"The quicker this matter is disposed of, the better it will be for the country," Garner said. "If we can settle it for \$1,250,000,000, it is better to do so right now and relieve the great uncertainty that lies behind the threat of a great bonus payment."

"The business of the country will be facing uncertainty until the bonus issue is disposed of and I am prepared to vote for a bonus bill, although I have voted against bonus legislation three times."

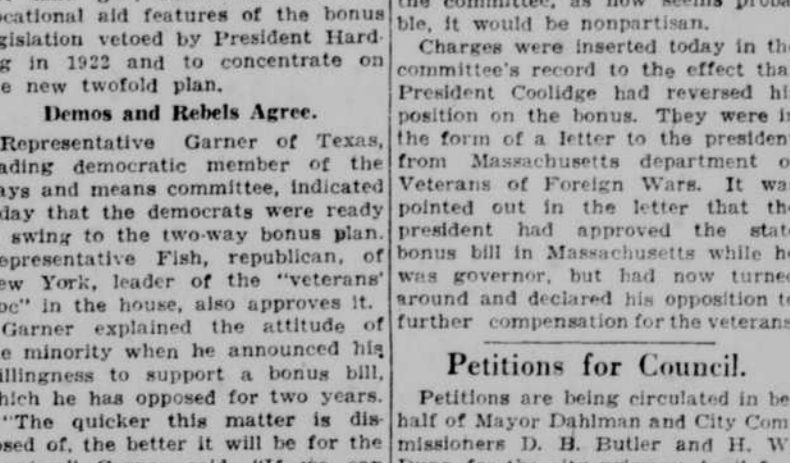
Chairman Green of the ways and means committee said today that it might not be possible for the committee to bring out the bonus bill by Saturday because of the division over the two plans involved in the general bill. If the two-way plan should come from the committee, as now seems probable, it would be nonpartisan.

Charges were inserted today in the committee's record to the effect that President Coolidge had reversed his position on the bonus. They were in the form of a letter to the president from Massachusetts department of Veterans of Foreign Wars. It was pointed out in the letter that the president had approved the state bonus bill in Massachusetts while he was governor, but had now turned around and declared his opposition to further compensation for the veterans.

Petitions for Council. Petitions are being circulated in behalf of Mayor Dahlman and City Commissioners D. B. Butler and H. W. Dunn for the city primary April 8.

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