

OFFICIAL FENCES MUST GO WITHOUT BEING REPAIRED

With Congress Remaining in Session, Many of the Well Laid Summer Plans Are to Go All Awry.

Washington Bureau of The Omaha Bee, 1811 G Street, Washington, May 27.—(Special Telegram)—"Congress will be in our midst until October," was the general opinion of legislators after the address of the president today.

After all efforts failed to get a promise from the senate committee on finance that it would get a new revenue law on the statute books early after the Christmas holidays, the best Chairman Simmons was willing to promise for such a measure was "Meet me in February."

President Wilson decided to hold congress in session until a new revenue bill was passed at this session, hence his address before the joint houses today.

While it looked late last week as if the opposition of Chairman Kitchin of the ways and means committee and Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, to any additional revenue legislation at this session, in view of the lack of positive information as to what present laws will bring to the treasury in the way of taxes, would prevail, The Bee correspondent has been advised that additional legislation was necessary and would be insisted upon.

Representative Green of Council Bluffs, third on the republican side of the ways and means committee, said that there would be hearings before the full committee, starting in about a week, or as soon thereafter as needed information was received from the department and the scope had been decided upon.

As to the president's address, Mr. Green said:

"The message is one of the best which he ever delivered and I concur entirely with the views that he expressed therein. It's absolutely necessary that the bill should be passed in time for business men to know what their engagements for this year will be, and apparently the only way that this can be done is to pass it before adjournment of this session. I agree with the president as to the effect of big bond issues and from what sources we should obtain our additional revenue.

"Large incomes, excess profits and luxuries must be taxed heavier," said Congressman Kinkaid, who will remain in Washington on the job and help along any legislation that will help win the war.

Congressman Reavis regarded the president's utterances as eminently sound and new legislation unquestionably needed. He reiterated his former statement that if the house should decide to do "little or nothing" while the hearings were going on before the ways and means committee, he would embrace the opportunity and visit the western battlefield.

The Nebraska delegation has been considerably worked up today over the following telegram from Governor Keith Neville, sent to every member:

"I have information that approximately 600 men are to be taken from

Americans Drive Huns Out and Repulse Raiders

Washington, May 27.—General Pershing's communique issued tonight by the War department makes no mention of a general renewal of the German drive, but says that after violent artillery preparation the enemy infantry today penetrated advanced American positions in Picardy at two points, only to be driven out by counter attacks in which Americans entered the enemy lines.

The 34th division as replacement draft. This will absolutely disrupt the National guard organizations from the various states. Very few men will be left in Nebraska companies and the places of these who leave are to be filled by draft from New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Texas.

The guarantee of the government that Nebraska men in the National guard would serve under Nebraska officers will be absolutely disregarded. Military necessity will not justify destroying the esprit de corps and morale of these fine organizations. English and French officers have officially reported to the department that the 34th division was fit and ready for foreign service and that no further advancement could be expected in present environment. These troops have been at Camp Cody, the most undesirable training camp in the country, for almost a year.

Conferences between the senators and representatives were held and the telephone wires were kept busy between the office of General Marsh, chief of staff, and the capitol, protesting against the disruption outlined by Governor Neville. General Marsh stated he would have the matter investigated.

No Results Expected.

It is doubted, however, if even the protest of the governor and the congressional delegation from Nebraska will avail much, as it is the settled policy of ranking military officials to get together the best fighting material possible without regard to state lines.

SANITY OF MISS GRACE LUSK UP TO TRIAL JURY

Waukesha, Wis., May 27.—With all testimony at the trial of Grace Lusk for slaying Mrs. Mary Newman Roberts completed, D. S. Tullar, special prosecutor, will begin his argument to the jury at the opening of court tomorrow morning. Expert testimony regarding Miss Lusk's sanity occupied most of today's session. Five witnesses for the defense swore that in their opinion the defendant was suffering from paranoia. Two other experts, called by the prosecution, declared their belief in her sanity.

MARLEY'S WRIST CUT WHEN HE IS HIT BY AUTO

C. M. Marley, 1504 North Seventeenth street, received a cut tendon in his wrist when an automobile in which he was riding crashed into a machine driven by Earl Douglas of the Douglas Printing company. The accident happened in front of 1802 North Eighteenth street about 1:30 o'clock this morning. Marley was arrested and charged with being drunk and illegally possessing intoxicating liquor. He was taken to the Lister hospital. Marley alleges he rented the automobile, together with three companions who ran away immediately after the accident.

Five Negro Soldiers Soon Tried for Attack on Girl

Des Moines, Ia., May 27.—(Special Telegram)—Five negro soldiers are held in the division guard house at Camp Dodge charged with an attack on a 17-year-old white girl on the cantonment grounds early Friday evening. The girl is said to be in a critical condition. All names are withheld and preparations are being made for an early trial by court-martial.

City Charter Convention Members Start Active Work

Chairman David Cole and Members I. J. Dunn, W. F. Baxter, J. P. Palmer and J. A. Rine of the city charter convention have started to work on a proposed charter for submission to the voters for adoption or rejection.

RAIL RATES IN LINE FOR STILL GREATER BOOST

(Continued From Page One.) 20 per cent. Long distance excursion rates in the east will be approximately 20 per cent. Long-distance excursion rates in the east will be 10 per cent less than the regular 3-cent rate. In the west these fares will be approximately 20 per cent above the existing rather low rates. It was reported that commercial travelers' organizations would protest against the 3-cent passenger rates, which is from one-half to three-fourths of a cent higher than present mileage rates. They will ask, it was said, for sale of mileage books at a lower rate, on the ground that they are wholesale purchasers of mileage.

Railroad administration officials admit they hope to reduce unnecessary passenger travel by the higher rates, and thus save facilities and labor for freight movement. It is estimated that travel may be curtailed 10 to 20 per cent.

In line with Director General McAdoo's request for suggestions from state commissions for changes, protests are looked for, particularly from the states having already well established rate systems. Among these are Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, Georgia, Oklahoma, Texas, Michigan, North Dakota, South Dakota, Oregon and Montana. Few eastern states have extensive intrastate rate systems.

Comparison of Rates. An example of the big increase to be affected in short intrastate hauls is shown by comparison of the minimum class rates provided by McAdoo's order with existing class rates as shown in the following table that gives the rates for five-mile hauls in a number of western states, and the minimum established under the old order, by cents per 100 pounds, arranged in classes:

Classes: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, A, B, C, D, E. State rates: 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 8, 5, 4, 2, 3, 6, 3, 2, 4.

New minimum: 25, 21, 17.5, 15, 11, 12.5, 9, 7.5, 6.5, 5.

For longer distances the differences are less, ranging down to 25 per cent. Some modifications may have to be made to relieve so-called combination rates of the specific advances ordered. In combinations, a rate for a long distance is made up of a series of local rates, and this condition prevails extensively in the west, particularly on coal.

Under the new rate order, a fixed amount apparently would be added to each of these local rates. To Eliminate Injustices.

The executive and special war committees of the National Association of Railway and Utilities commissioners will meet here June 4 and 5 and will confer with the director-general to work out a means of eliminating injustices and preserving existing rate relationships between rival commercial or industrial districts.

Fuel Administrator Garfield explained today that the increase on rates of coal would not affect the prices at the mines, recently reduced 10 cents a ton to an average of about \$2.40. The increased transportation charges ranging from 15 to 50 cents a ton will be reflected, however, in prices to the consumer.

Railroad administration headquarters today were besieged by applicants for information on the order increasing wages of railroad employees. Auditors of railroads were instructed to begin at once the figuring of new wages, to go into effect next Saturday, and as fast as possible, to calculate back pay due and to make these payments in lump sums.

I. W. W. SABOTAGE PLOTS BARED BY FORMER MEMBER

Chicago, May 27.—Stories of plots to destroy industries by sabotage were told on the witness stand today by Joseph Burdall, former member of the Industrial Workers of the World, who testified as a government witness against the 112 Industrial Workers of the World charged with violating the espionage act.

Under cross-examination, Burdall told of the Industrial Workers of the World war in the harvest fields, in big lumber camps and manufacturing districts.

His story of impassioned anti-American speeches by Germans at the Milwaukee Industrial Workers of the World hall soon after America entered the war remained unshaken under the vigorous questioning of George F. Vanderveer of defense counsel.

Central High School Boys Leave for Valley Camp

More than 400 Central High school cadets left Omaha at 10 o'clock Monday morning for Valley, Neb., where they will hold their annual encampment this year if the weather man is indulgent.

Make Saved Off Shotguns for Boys in Trenches

Atlantic City, N. J., May 27.—American factories are producing Lee-Enfield rifles at the rate of 9,000 a day, enough to equip two army divisions weekly, according to Representative Tilson of Connecticut, member of the house military affairs committee, who addressed the Hardware Manufacturers' association for war service here today.

The speaker said he knew of the completion of one order for 10,000 sawed off shotguns, which General Pershing was quoted as endorsing as being especially well adapted for modern trench warfare. He said these guns now are being used by American fighting men.

Go Barefoot Now Is Slogan In Germany

Amsterdam, May 27.—"Go barefoot this summer and help the fatherland," is the latest patriotic catchword to be placarded in Germany. "In view of the alarming scarcity of leather, rich and poor alike should dispense with boots and shoes," says an explanation of the placard in the Renisch Westalen Zeitung of Essen. The old are urged to set an example for the young.

MAKE PLANS FOR MILITARY PARADE MEMORIAL DAY

The Memorial day military parade Thursday will move promptly at 2 o'clock, the head of the column resting on Farnam street at Twenty-fourth, facing east. Col. F. A. Grant is the grand marshal. The parade will be reviewed by Col. Abner Pickering, who will occupy a place on the grandstand in front of the court house. Colonel Grant has issued the following orders covering the formation of the several units in the parade:

First—Forty-first United States infantry, Fort Crook, with regimental band.

Second—Troops from Fort Omaha, detailed from the signal corps, with Musical Union association band.

Third—Creighton university cadets, with cadet band.

Fourth—Omaha high school cadets, with cadet band.

Fifth—Boy Scouts, with Deadend's band.

Sixth—Spanish war veterans and municipal band.

Seventh—Civil war veterans, with rifle and drum corps. The Polish band.

George A. Custer post and Woman's Relief corps will officiate at Prospect Hill and Jewish; George Crook post and Woman's Relief corps at West Lawn, Holy Sepulcher and Bohemian; U. S. Grant post and Woman's Relief corps at Forest Lawn and Mount Hope cemeteries.

13 HUN SAILORS FACE DEATH ON TREASON CHARGE

London, May 27.—Fishermen returning to port today brought reports that 13 German sailors have been sentenced to death and two to imprisonment for 20 years by a German court-martial for attempted treason in connection with the recent British naval raids against the German submarine bases at Ostend and Zeebrugge.

These reports are based on information said to have come from Bruges, Belgium.

Burl C. Kirk Found Guilty Of Detective Rooney Murder

Burl C. Kirk, fourth of the five alleged jewel robbers to be tried for the murder of Detective Frank Rooney on the night of January 30, following a bold daylight robbery of a jewelry store in the center of Omaha's business district, was found guilty of murder in the second degree early Monday night by a jury in district court. Kirk heard the verdict of the jury with evident calm demeanor. He showed no signs of the strain which he had passed through during the trial. His wife, however, who sat immediately back of her husband in the court room, sobbed in audible tone as the clerk read the word "guilty."

The jury was out less than three hours.

Kirk is the fourth man to stand trial for the murder of Detective Rooney. Samuel Stone and Harry Williams were convicted of second degree murder and sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary, and Thomas McKay was acquitted.

Fuel Shortage for Next Winter Is Prediction Now

Washington, May 27.—The fuel administration "does not make any concealment of the prospect that there will be a coal shortage during the present coal year," said a statement tonight, in which the public again was urged to order its coal for next winter during the summer. "The requirements for the year for bituminous coal as ascertained by the administration experts," said the statement, "indicate that the production will fall considerably short of the necessary amount. The national administration is devoting its efforts toward removing, so far as possible, the deliveries of coal for domestic purposes and essential war purposes from the freight congestions on the railroads, that are sure to come with the winter season."

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McAdoo Appeals to State Boards for Suggestions

Washington, May 27.—Director General McAdoo today telegraphed chairman of state railroad commissions notifying them of the increased rates and asking them to co-operate by suggesting readjustments or changes. The director general does not expect state authorities to overrule any of his rate orders, however.

Mr. McAdoo explained that the railroad act does not bind him to "share with the state commissions the responsibility which rests upon the railroad administration for the financing results to the United States government of the operation of the railroads." He said also that the exigencies of the situation did not permit him to postpone action until state commissions could discuss the new rates and advise him in advance of how they could best be administered.

Poultry Men of Seven States Will Meet in Omaha June 5-6

A conference of poultrymen of seven states, interested in the extension of poultry-raising for war food purposes, will be held at the Rome hotel June 5 and 6. The conference is called by George W. Hackett of Kansas City, district manager. Representatives from Washington will be present.

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The Weather

For Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming—Showers Tuesday and probably Wednesday; no decided change in temperature.

Temperatures in Omaha Yesterday.

Table with 2 columns: Hour, Deg. 8 a. m. 63, 9 a. m. 65, 10 a. m. 65, 11 a. m. 65, 12 m. 65, 1 p. m. 64, 2 p. m. 64, 3 p. m. 64, 4 p. m. 64, 5 p. m. 64, 6 p. m. 64, 7 p. m. 64, 8 p. m. 64, 9 p. m. 64.

Comparative Local Record.

Table with 2 columns: 1918, 1917, 1916, 1915. Highest yesterday 65, 61, 63, 63. Lowest yesterday 58, 49, 52, 43. Mean temperature 60, 54, 52, 48. Precipitation 1.30, 0.00, 0.00, 1.00. Deficiency for the day 0.00, 0.00, 0.00, 0.00. Total excess since March 1, 1918, .14 inches. Total rainfall since March 1, 1918, .32 inches. Deficiency since March 1, 1918, .18 inches. Excess for cor. period, 1917, .44 inches. Deficiency for cor. period, 1916, .42 inches. Reports From Stations at 7 P. M. Station and State Temp. High. Rain-fall. Cheyenne, cloudy 52 54 .00. Des Moines, cloudy 58 76 1.80. Dodge City, cloudy 70 74 .02. Lander, cloudy 49 49 .00. North Platte, cloudy 52 58 .38. Omaha, cloudy 64 66 1.30. Rapid City, rain 62 62 .42. Santa Fe, cloudy 64 70 .00. Sheridan, rain 42 44 .04. Sioux City, cloudy 64 66 .00. Valentine, cloudy 46 46 .10. L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.

BLAKE SCHOOL FOR BOYS LAKEWOOD, N. J. Summer session from July to October. Special preparation for colleges for boys wishing to enter government service. Military training in sports, horsemanship, riding, land and water sports. If you have a son from 12 to 16 you will be interested in our new booklet. Address Secretary.

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