

Bonus Bill Approved by Majority

Republicans Favor Measure Introduced by Chairman Fordney—Passage Is Predicted. May Be Called Monday

By The Associated Press. Washington, March 7.—The compromise bonus bill, carrying a bank loan provision in place of the cash installment plan, originally proposed and once approved by the house, finally was agreed to today by republican members of the ways and means committee.

It was introduced later in the house by Chairman Fordney, who announced that it would not be called up until next Monday, if then. Passage of the bill was predicted by Mr. Fordney. His opinion appeared to be shared by members of the house generally, some of whom said that on the final vote party lines would disappear.

Harding's Stand Unknown. At the White House, it was said that Mr. Harding had not studied and, consequently, had not formed an opinion as to the bank loan provision. He was represented, however, as maintaining the same position that he had when he wrote Mr. Fordney on February 16 that the bonus either should be paid by a sales tax or the legislation postponed.

Similar to House Bill. Mr. Fordney said the entire ways and means committee would meet today, when the democrats would have an opportunity to pass judgment on the bill.

Adjusted service certificate, combining a loan and insurance plan. Vocational training. Farm and home aid. Land settlement.

Cost Will Vary. The ultimate cost of the bonus to the government, it was said, would depend upon the number of men selecting each of the options. It was estimated that the immediate cash payment to those entitled to not more than \$50 each would amount to \$16,000,000.

Increased Appropriations Granted Two Departments. Washington, March 7.—Many increases in appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Labor requested by Secretaries Hoover and Davis, were authorized by the senate appropriations committee in reporting today the annual supply bill for the two departments.

Crowds Unable to Attend Funeral of Negro Comedian. New York, March 7.—Five thousand persons were unable to gain admittance today to St. Phillips Episcopal church in Harlem to attend funeral services for Bert Williams, negro comedian, who died Saturday.

Mayor Announces Tar and Feathers Await Highwaymen

Camden, N. J., March 7.—Tarring and feathering will be the punishment for highway robbers at Woodlynne, near here, in the future, Mayor William Kramer announced last night. Many residents of the community recently have been held up and robbed of small sums.

Kellogg Urges Senate to Ratify 4-Power Treaty

Declares Reservation Approved by Foreign Relations Committee Wholly Superfluous. Washington, March 7.—Advocating ratification of the four-power Pacific pact treaty without hesitation or qualification, Senator Kellogg, republican, Minnesota, told the senate today that the pact was so free from entangling commitments as to make reservations possible sources of embarrassment, rather than of advantage.

The Minnesota senator declared no agreement to employ force or to defend any other nation's rights was contemplated by the instrument, and characterized the "no alliance" reservation approved by the foreign relations committee as wholly superfluous.

Senator Kellogg reviewed the negotiations leading up to the treaty and asserted that one of its most important provisions was that abrogating the Anglo-Japanese alliance, which he said long had been viewed with suspicion.

No Definition Necessary. The most that the four-power treaty obligated the United States to do, he said, was to respect the rights of signatories in the Pacific and to consult with them if those rights were violated.

Disagreement Unlikely. "There is little, if any, chance for disagreement as to what those rights are, and no definition is necessary. We have absolute dominion over the Philippine Islands and other powers agree to respect those rights. The other powers have absolute dominion or mandates over other islands and we agree to respect their rights.

House Pays Tribute to Memory of Clark. Washington, March 7.—Reminding members of the house that Champ Clark was buried one year ago today, Representative Garrett, Tennessee, democratic leader, paying tribute to the former speaker in a brief address, referred to him as "one of the glories of his generation."

Slayer May Be Paroled From Insane Hospital. Norfolk, Neb., March 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Gustave Bahr, slayer of Percy Steifel, may be paroled from the Norfolk State hospital, where he has been confined since the jury in the murder trial at Pierce found him to be insane.

Confirm New Mint Head. Washington, March 7.—Nomination of F. E. Scooby of Texas to be director of the mint was confirmed by the senate today. Mr. Scooby succeeds Raymond T. Baker, whose term expires March 19.

Potash Case to Be Given Jury Today

Court Excludes Much Evidence Offered—Defense Rests Without Presenting Testimony. Counsel for Government and Defense Rests Without Presenting Testimony.

A. L. Kreis, star witness in the government in its case against W. A. McWhorter, W. C. Shipley, Charles Wohlberg and Jacob Masse for conspiracy to defraud in promoting the William Berg company, featured closing arguments for the defense late yesterday.

The case will go to the jury this morning. C. Kinsler, United States attorney, is expected to conclude the case in 45 minutes after court convenes at 9:30. Federal Judge Munger will then instruct the jury.

Kreis Assailed by Counsel. A. L. Sutton and J. M. Parsons, counsel for defense, assailed Kreis as the man who made the most money out of the potash deal, for which the four defendants now face the possibility of prison sentences.

Parsons continued the assault on Kreis. He also argued that the government's testimony, aimed to prove a conspiracy to defraud, is largely circumstantial and is as consistent with the innocence as with the guilt of the four men.

Plant Treated "Only a Bluff." He said construction of the potash plant at Merriman, Neb., was "only a bluff" to help in selling more stock. "Their advertisements, that every dollar's worth of stock in their company was fully paid up was a bald-faced lie, as they stole \$190,000 at the outset without \$1 of consideration."

Four Points at Issue. Judge Munger instructed the prosecution to confine its arguments to the jury to these four points: That defendants issued \$190,000 to themselves without payment; that they represented no more stock than they had, and acted as such by sending letters with this information through the mails.

Rosewater at Capital With Philadelphians. Washington, March 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Victor Rosewater of Omaha, newly-appointed head of publicity for the sesquicentennial of American independence to be held at Philadelphia in 1926, was in Washington today in company with Mayor Moore and a group of Philadelphia's leading citizens, who called on the president to invite him to break ground for the exposition, July, next.

Bonds Worth \$150,000 Stolen From University Fund. Philadelphia, March 7.—Bonds and other negotiable securities valued at more than \$150,000 have been stolen from the strong box of Dr. Thomas W. Evans dental school and museum fund of the University of Pennsylvania, it became known late last night.

Girls Agree to Park Their Vanity Cases If Teacher Will Return

Berkeley, Cal., March 7.—Diplomatic negotiations were opened yesterday to have Alvin Thayer, associate English professor at the University of California, return to the freshman class, after he abruptly walked out Saturday because certain girl students would not stop powdering their noses.

"I asked them to put aside their vanity cases and attend to their work and they just giggled at me and powdered away all the harder. The gigglers have agreed to park their vanity boxes outside, it is reported, and the professor is expected to return to the class today.

Balfour Goes to Assistance of Lloyd George

Prime Minister Glowingly Praised by Political Enemy—Crisis Temporarily Passed. London, March 7.—"He is one of the greatest figures of the world's history—what is the use of abusing him," said Sir Arthur J. Balfour, alluding to the prime minister, David Lloyd George, in a speech at the Carlton club today.

Balfour made a powerful plea for continuance of the coalition system as opposed to a return to the two party system, which he declared was only a fair weather system, unsuited to the present abnormal times when the country was still laboring under the aftermath of war.

Crisis Has Subsided. While the crisis has subsided, the problem has not been solved. The prime minister has accepted strong representations and will remain to see through the government's Irish and Genoa policies. He is retiring to the seclusion of his home in Wales for a period variously mentioned as a fortnight to six weeks, leaving active charge of the situation to Mr. Chamberlain and cabinet colleagues.

Judge Colby of Beatrice to File for Supreme Bench. Fairbury, Neb., March 7.—(Special Telegram.)—In response to petitions signed by the bar associations of Beatrice and Fairbury, Leonard W. Colby, who is holding court here this week, will file for nomination for supreme judge from the Fourth judicial district, it was announced.

Baby Girl Accidentally Shot in Head by Brother. Clarinda, Ia., March 7.—The 4-year-old daughter of Orison Huddle, near Braddyville, was accidentally shot in the head by her 7-year-old brother while the children were playing with a rifle. The shot struck and tore off the end of the first finger before the maddening ear. The girl's skull above the ear. She is expected to recover.

4 Killed in K. C. Blast. Kansas City, March 7.—Four men were killed and nine injured when a compressed air tank at the Kansas City Railway company's barn exploded this morning, tearing out 20 feet of brick wall and derailing many street cars.

John Bull: "And Have You Get the Tummy Ache Like Ireland? No Sir-ee!"



Railway Workers Paid Well, Say Western Roads

Men Working in 5,327 Industries in 28 Western States Draw Less Than Rail Employees, Reports State. Chicago, March 7.—Men engaged in work comparable to that done on railroads, employed in 5,327 industries in 28 western states, are receiving wages much lower than those paid to railroad employees, according to a statement read today by J. W. Higgins, executive secretary of the Association of Western Railroads, before the United States Railroad Labor board at its hearing concerning wage disputes between the men and the roads.

Represents Western Roads. Mr. Higgins represented 101 western railroad employees of all classes in the western states operating under different conditions and circumstances announced an intention of making separate statements to the board.

Less Than Rail Pay. In California, Louisiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, Texas Utah and Wisconsin according to the statement, from 80 to 90 per cent are paid less than the railroads pay. In Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, North Dakota and Oklahoma from 60 to 70 per cent receive lower wages than the railroads pay, while in South Dakota 55 per cent are being paid less.

Five Deaths Total of Georgia Tornado. Augusta, Ga., March 7.—Five deaths appeared tonight to be the total of fatalities in the tornado which early today ravaged villages near here in Georgia and South Carolina. The storm centered, according to reports received here, at Warrenton, S. C., where, in addition to the five persons killed, a number were injured.

Motor Company Chauffeur Frustrates Payroll Bandits. San Francisco, March 7.—An attempt of five bandits to hold up a payroll car of the Ford Motor company in which \$10,000 was being carried from the Wells-Fargo Nevada National bank to the Ford plant here, was frustrated late today when the car was suddenly speeded up, throwing one of the bandits from the running board.

Bandits Steal Payroll. Providence, R. I., March 7.—Edward Spencer, paymaster of the American Screw company, was slugged and robbed by automobile bandits today of a payroll amounting to between \$5,000 and \$6,000. The bandits escaped.

Middle West Has New Champions

Two Infants Claim Fame, One as Bootlegger, the Other "Holds Up" Train. Davenport, Ia., professes to have "the world's youngest bootlegger" in Marcell Abney, 5.

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Wife, 22, Mother of Seven Children; Five Living. Elyria, O., March 7.—Although not yet 22, Mrs. Frank Uhler, wife of a local butcher, is the mother of seven children. Mr. and Mrs. Uhler have been married six years.

Laurenti, Metropolitan Baritone, Dies at N. Y. New York, March 7.—Mario Laurenti, aged 30, Metropolitan Opera baritone, died here this morning, following a brief illness. He caught cold several days ago, while on a concert tour and returned to this city, and after a few days spinal meningitis developed. The singer was born in Verona, Italy, and came to this country seven years ago.

2 Witnesses for Arbuckle Face Trial for Perjury

Grand Jury Indicts Mrs. Minnie Neighbors and Mrs. Frances S. Bates—Testimony False, Charge. San Francisco, March 7.—Mrs. Minnie Neighbors of Los Angeles and Mrs. Frances S. Bates of Chicago, who testified for the defense in the trials of Roscoe C. ("Patty") Arbuckle, were indicted on perjury charges early this morning by the county grand jury.

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Ferry Boat Caught in Ice With Passenger Train. Mackinaw City, Mich., March 7.—The car ferry Chief Wawatam, carrying a northbound passenger train, is again caught in the heavy ice about half way across the straits. The vessel left here late yesterday but has not been able to move since evening. The ice pack is not as heavy as when the ferry became wedged in several weeks ago and it is believed she will be released shortly.

New Hampshire Man Named Assistant to Postal Head. Washington, March 7.—John H. Bartlett of New Hampshire was nominated yesterday by President Harding to be first assistant postmaster general. Mr. Bartlett, who at present is chairman of the civil service commission, will succeed Dr. Hubert Work, who on Saturday succeeded Will Hays as postmaster general.

Business Man Advertisements for Burglars to Stay Away. Tampa, Fla., March 7.—John F. Sutton, Tampa business man, whose home burglars have ransacked four times within the last two months, has an advertisement in a newspaper asking the misdoers to stay away from his place.

Townley Embezzlement Hearing Is Continued. Bismarck, N. D., March 7.—Hearing of A. C. Townley, president of the National Nonpartisan league, on a charge of embezzlement, scheduled for Thursday in Fargo, was continued indefinitely. Sveinbjorn Johnson, attorney general, announced today. Counsel for Townley requested the continuance.

Civil War Feared at Limerick

Republican Mutineers Give Free State Forces 48 Hours to Surrender Barracks. Dublin, March 7.—(By A. P.)—Richard Mulcahey, minister of defense in Dail Eireann cabinet left for Limerick this afternoon. It was expected that his visit would result in a settlement of the difficulty that has arisen as a result of the invasion of the town by detachments of Irish republican army troops.

Troops Extend Sphere. Limerick, March 7.—(By A. P.)—The detachments of Irish republican army troops who invaded Limerick last Sunday and commandeered the principal hotels, extended their sphere of occupation today by taking possession of the technical school.

Three Armed Forces. The situation early this afternoon was quiet, although some tension was felt, last night. With the town occupied by three distinct forces, namely British troops which have not yet been evacuated, free state republicans and members of the Irish republican army, the situation today was regarded as full of possibilities.

Republican Ultimatum. Dublin, March 7.—Reports that republican mutineers have given free state forces 48 hours notice to surrender Limerick police barracks today intensified the situation in Limerick and caused genuine anxiety to free states. These rumors lacked substantiation but it was agreed that free states would stubbornly resist dispossession and in event of an attack, the barracks would be vigorously defended. No breach of peace, however, had been reported early today. Lack of authentic news intensified seriousness of the real situation.

"A Dangerous Game." Freeman's Journal, under the headline: "A dangerous game," declared: "Attempts are being made to carry on political propaganda and develop mutinous spirit in certain sections of Ireland."

Some adherents of Document No. 2," it added, "have made up their minds that they cannot prevent by argument establishment of the Irish free state and it looks as if they were about to try to see what can be done by turmoil. Incidents at Clommel and Limerick already have shown how far the mutineers are prepared to go, but the Irish people (Turn to Page Two, Column Five.)

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The Weather

Forecast. Fair and warmer Wednesday. Hourly Temperatures. 8 a. m. 28, 10 a. m. 30, 12 p. m. 32, 2 p. m. 34, 4 p. m. 36, 6 p. m. 38, 8 p. m. 36, 10 p. m. 34, 12 noon 32.