

SENATE WILL RULE ON FATE OF MUSCLE SHOALS TODAY

NORRIS TO HEAR VERDICT AFTER 5-YEAR BATTLE

Nebraskan Declares He Has Enough Votes to Pass His Measure.

HOUSE STAND IN DOUBT

Power Interests Wage War on Plan for Operation by Government.

BY PAUL R. MALLON
United Press Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Forces on opposite sides of the power question massed again today when the Norris Muscle Shoals resolution came up for disposal in the Senate.

The resolution provides for Government operation of the \$100,000,000 plant on the Tennessee River in Alabama and Senator Norris believes he can get it through Congress this time.

He has tried for the last five years, but always failed, because of opposition from power companies who believe the plant should be leased for private operation.

Norris told the United Press he had sufficient votes to pass the resolution in the Senate, but action in the House is doubtful.

Power Is Big Issue

Power has become a chief issue in Congress. Last week the Senate, after a bitter battle, killed the Walsh resolution seeking a congressional investigation of the so-called national power combine. Such investigation has been started by the Federal trade commission.

The Independent are planning to introduce a resolution for investigation of the lobby which they charge killed the Walsh resolution.

Another move against the lobby is promised by Senator Caraway (Dem.), Arkansas, who will press for action on his bill requiring lobbyists to register their interests and expenses with the Senate and the House. The bill was reported by the Senate Judiciary Committee yesterday with but one dissenting vote.

Opposition Is Weaker

Norris' resolution has not been opposed this year as it has in the past. Opposition of the power companies appears to have died down considerably and the American Cyanamid Company is the only bidder, actively in the field, against it.

The resolution provides that the Government continue its construction work to develop power at the plant and at the same time experiment with processes for extracting nitrogen from fertilizer from the air in commercially suitable quantities.

Power developed at the plant would be sold to the private power companies for distribution throughout the South.

U. S. FORESTRY GROUP TO STUDY IN EUROPE

Seek Information on Outdoor Life and Parks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—To exchange ideas with the leaders of forestry and outdoor life in Europe and to study the problems of European forests, a group of members of the American Forestry Association, Washington, D. C., and others vitally interested in forests, parks and wild life, are planning to sail from New York on June 30.

The tour will include France, Germany, Switzerland, Finland and Sweden.

The tour represents a step to bring conservationists of the two continents together in the cause of the forests and outdoor life, as the party will be received by representatives of foreign governments and the tour of the foreign forests made under their direction and leadership.

Among the famous forest areas to be visited is the world-renowned Black Forest of Germany, an outstanding example of forestry as practiced abroad.

APPROVE BONUS DELAY

Two-Year Extension for Applications Voted by House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—More than 750,000 ex-service men who failed to ask for bonus may apply if the Senate approves the Green bill passed by the House Monday, which extends the time for application for two years.

The measure also validates nearly 20,000 applications, filed too late for the deadline last Dec. 31, as well as those returned for correction to the corrections were made.

It is believed President Coolidge will approve the extension.

SHOPLIFTER NABBED

One Negro shoplifter was felled and captured and two of his companions escaped late Monday when they were detected stealing in the Kresge store, Pennsylvania and Washington Sts., police said.

Robert Stark, alias Le Mar, 19, of Hudson House, was treated at the city hospital and then slated at the city prison under high vagrancy bond. A clerk in the store struck him on the head with a blunt instrument. Police said the two men who escaped probably carried five rings, missing from the store.

Stand Collapses; 175 Hurt

BERLIN, Feb. 21.—One hundred seventy-five persons were injured, thirty seriously, when the stand at a municipal celebration in Munich collapsed it was learned here today.

Blind, Suffering 20 Years, Woman, 70, Sees Light



Mrs. Carrie B. Silvery and her grandson, John C. Burdette, 4.

Mrs. Carrie B. Silvery, Bainbridge, Ind., Now a Silvery-Haired Great-Grandmother, Regains Sight by Prayer When Medical Aid Fails.

BY BOB BEARD

BAINBRIDGE, Ind., Feb. 21.—Twenty years of inky blackness, and Light! Sight! Loved ones' faces; scenes once familiar, but lost these interminable years in abysmal darkness.

"Oh, dear God! Am I to see again?"

The silvery-haired old lady who voiced that exclamation when light pierced the blind darkness had her prayer answered with sight.

She is Mrs. Carrie B. Silvery, 70, a great-grandmother, whose sons till Putnam County's soil while their children play at "Granny's feet," wondering at the strange change that's come in her eyes.

Mrs. Silvery and her husband live two miles north of Bainbridge. From their 200 acres they have drawn an independence. There they reared two sons and two daughters, the sons to take up farms of their own beside the old homestead.

There it was that Fate interposed partial blindness upon the mother when a son was born. Thirteen years later—twenty years ago—total blindness came to the mother at 50.

Three times in the long intervening years, surgeons tried to restore her sight. When the eyelids grew shut, they opened them, but eyes remained sightless. Suffering and sightlessness were partners.

Then came last Wednesday. As Mrs. Silvery related with emotion what transpired that day, her little grandson, 4, romped about her chair, gazing dubiously now and then into those kindly eyes, which until Wednesday, reflected nothing.

"A month ago," she related, "I told Vera, my daughter, who lives here with us: 'Vera, I've tried everything on earth for my eyes. I believe I'll go to prayer.'"

"And I did, and—"

"Your prayer was answered!" was the interruption.

"Yes, it was, and I'm thankful to God; but," she hesitated, "there's something else I did."

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STATE MAY USE DODGE TO HALT REMUS FREEING

Former Federal Agent, Named Paramour of Dead Wife, in Lima.

By United Press

LIMA, Ohio, Feb. 21.—Habeas corpus proceedings for the release of George Remus, former millionaire Cincinnati bootlegger, from the State hospital for the criminally insane here, were resumed today with the prospect the State would call Franklin T. Dodge, former Federal officer, who figured in Remus' trial for the murder of his wife.

Dodge arrived in Lima presumably to testify for the State. When Remus shot and killed his wife, Imogene, several months ago, he named Dodge as his wife's paramour and charged the two had conspired to send him to the Federal penitentiary and loot his estate. Although Remus was acquitted he was sent to the asylum.

State attorneys denied they called Dodge when it was intimated Dodge was here to thwart Remus' attempt to regain his liberty. It was understood, however, that Dodge would confer some time today with Walter Sibald of counsel for the State.

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RULE SOON ON HOLMES CLAIM TO SLACK POST

Decision by Judge Chamberlin Expected in Circuit Court This Week.

By United Press

Ruling on Ira M. Holmes' quo warranto proceedings in the Indianapolis mayor's office, affecting directly at least three claimants to the office, is expected late this week from Circuit Judge Harry O. Chamberlin.

Judge Chamberlin Monday heard arguments on Joseph L. Hogue's demurrer to the complaint. Claims of both Hogue and Holmes were outlived to the court by their attorneys. Mayor L. Ert Slack, also defendant, had attorneys in court, but his case was not argued.

Circuit Court room was crowded to capacity for the arguments, the balcony being opened for the first time in many months.

Claims Election Void

Thomas A. Dally, attorney for Hogue, set out two points by which his client claims the office. Hogue was city controller under the late Mayor Lew Shank.

He claimed Duvall's conviction of bribery in Criminal Court made his entire election void, and, therefore, his appointment of Mrs. Duvall as city controller, her succession to the office of mayor, her appointment of Holmes as city controller and his succession also was illegal.

His second point was that even if such a procedure was legal, Duvall could appoint only an acting city controller, who would become only acting mayor without power to appoint a third city controller who could succeed to the mayor's chair. He claimed the second election rested with the city council.

Appeal for Slack

Louis B. Ewbank, attorney for Holmes, claimed the appeal of Duvall from the conviction stayed the execution of the election. Hogue, therefore, not until the final high court decision will Duvall be adjudged guilty and his election be void.

City Attorney Edward H. Knight and Albert Raab, appearing for Mayor Slack, said they intend to ask that the quo warranto complaint be made more specific. After this is done, they will file demurrer. Knight said, Slack also has on file with the court a motion to strike out certain parts of the complaint. This motion was not argued Monday.

PRIMARY LAW IS DEFENDED

J. W. Becker Opens Speaking Drive for Congress.

By United Press

Blaming public indifference and the political trading of blocs and cliques for defeating the commendable purposes of the primary law, John W. Becker opened his speaking campaign for the Republican nomination for Congressman before the Irvington Republican Club in the Irvington Masonic Temple Monday night.

"If the people voted, even under our present primary law we could not ask for better, and there hangs the problem; for only blocs, cliques and groups seeking special privilege or the advancement of their own ideas are voting at the primaries."

"We are thankful for at least one thing, and that is that they are in the minority; and that when the yoke presses too severely, as it does today, the people can rise up and will rise up and cast it off."

Prof. Howard E. Jensen, of Butler University, delivered one of a series of lectures on governmental problems. He voiced a plea for national control of child labor, marriage and divorce laws, education and health.

Foreign Ministers Confer

MENTONE, France, Feb. 21.—The Rumanian foreign minister, Titulescu, has conferred with Foreign Minister Stresemann of Germany at Stresemann's hotel at Cap Martin. It was learned today.

Mrs. Berlin and her husband are in California with their baby. Doctors have diagnosed the illness as pernicious anemia, reports said.

Whether in view of his daughter's condition Clarence W. Mackay will relent in his attitude toward her marriage to the song writer was discussed widely in stage and society circles.

REPAIR ROME'S CHIMES

Workmen to Replace St. Peter's Belfry Bit by Bit.

ROME, Feb. 21.—Work that will take two years to complete, has begun on the belfry of St. Peter's, where the shafts and masonry that held the famous deep-toned bells are being repaired.

The structure around the big bell of the chime dates back to 1,748, and the iron-work, wood-work and masonry have suffered considerably from the weather.

The repairs on the belfry will be made in two months, as the damaged pieces have to be replaced bit by bit, without interrupting the chime.

POSTAL MEN TO MEET

Letter Carriers of Nation Will Convene at Muncie Tonight.

MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 21.—A reception at 8 tonight will open the thirtieth annual convention of the National Association of Letter Carriers which will bring delegates from all parts of the United States.

Registration will begin at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning and formal sessions of the convention at 9. Music will be provided during the convention by the Indianapolis Letter Carriers' band. The annual banquet will be held at 6 Wednesday evening.

Queen of Mardi Gras



—NEA New Orleans Bureau.

Carnival Queen of New Orleans and its colorful Mardi Gras is Miss Betty Watson, society beauty of the Southern city. Her selection was not a surprise, for she already has ruled over many a carnival ball. This year she shares her throne with Leon G. Irwin, New Orleans business man, King of the Mardi Gras.

Missing Girl Returns to School After Adventure

Thelma Poynter, 8, Thought Lost, Is Heroine in Eyes of Playmates.

By United Press

When 8-year-old Thelma Poynter returned to her classroom at School 55 today she was the center of attraction of dozens of her little playmates.

For Monday Thelma was the heroine of a tragedy that caused school to be dismissed early, brought Police Chief Claude M. Worley and a dozen picked men of the force to Thelma's home and aroused the entire neighborhood.

Thelma was lost. She and her brother Elmer, 4, had not been seen, except for a fleeting moment and casually by a neighbor and some neighbor children, since they left the home of their grandmother, one block from their own house, 1725 Arrow Ave., at 4 p. m. Sunday.

Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Poynter, had gone peacefully to bed Sunday night, thinking the children had remained with their grandmother, but in the morning found they were mistaken.

When no trace of the children had been found by noon, Chief Worley took personal charge later in the day. Fearing that her daughter, Mrs. Marie Ware, of 802 Roach St., might learn of the tragedy suddenly and collapse, Mrs. Gregory went to tell her of it.

When she opened the door at the Roach St. home, about four miles from the Poynter residence, Thelma and Elmer were playing about the living room. Almost overcome with delight, she bundled the children into a waiting automobile and hurried them to their home.

They told her they had walked the entire distance Sunday, after leaving their grandmother's house.

Large Family Advocate Dies

PARIS, Feb. 21.—Ernest Cognac founder of a fund for prizes to large families, died here today. He was 80.

Noted English Dramatist Dead

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Basil Hastings, well-known dramatist, died today. He was 46 years old.

DISARMAMENT AFTER SECURITY FRANCE INSISTS

Arbitration by Treaties Is Favored at Meeting of Commission.

BY HENRY WOOD

GENEVA, Feb. 21.—European disarmament must follow, not precede, the establishment of security against attack for European nations, Paul Boncour of France warned the League of Nations security commission today.

Boncour said France would favor any general project of arbitration. Creation of the security commission, he argued, marked the league's recognition of the inseparability of security from disarmament. Security, he said, would continue to be the basis of all league disarmament efforts.

Boncour recommended that the commission first try to establish all means of security possible under the League of Nations covenant and then to arrange for arbitration by means of treaties between two nations, treaties among groups of nations, or one treaty to be signed by all nations.

General De Marinis, Italy, supported the contention previously advanced by Great Britain that security best could be obtained through treaties negotiated directly between two nations. A series of such treaties, honeycombing a continent, he said, and including a non-aggression provision, would eliminate most causes of war.

De Marinis promised Italy would cooperate if the commission decided to recommend a series of regional treaties among groups of several nations, rather than two-nation treaties.

AUSTRALIAN FLOODS' TOLL 12; WATERS RISE

Tremendous Property Damage Reported; Town Inundated.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Feb.