

WATSON ACTS TO SPUR VOTE ON PEACE PACT

Negotiations of Indiana Senator Come to Naught Over Week-End.

SENATE
Continues Kellogg peace treaty debate. Judiciary committee considers Jones resolution for senatorial investigation of prohibition enforcement.

HOUSE
Takes up consent calendar and first deficiency appropriation bill.

Special prison investigating committee hearing with Attorney-General Sargent and Superintendent of Prisons Conner witnesses.

Ways and means committee opens tariff hearings.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Negotiations seeking to end the senate's not dispute over the Kellogg anti-war treaty with a compromise undertaken by senate leaders over the week-end, accomplished nothing, and the numerically small but high-powered opposition took up the cudgel against the pact again today.

The compromise solution was offered by Senator James E. Watson of Indiana, now practicing to become senate leader after March 4.

He got the opposing leaders together and proposed the reservations embodied in the Moses-Reed resolution, explicitly exempting traditional American foreign policies from the treaty, be written into an official report by the foreign relations committee. In return for such a report he expected the opposition to abandon its resolution.

Sought to Spur Vote

Watson's idea was that the foreign relations committee go on record as to its interpretation of the treaty and thus save the administration from an embarrassing vote on the interpretive Reed-Moses resolution.

Chairman Borah, who is championing the treaty, was agreeable enough to such a course "if it would speed up a vote on the treaty," he said. But Senators Reed of Missouri and Moses of New Hampshire, the opposition leaders, frowned on the scheme. They felt that a report would not have a sufficiently official ring. They asked more time to think it over.

The report proposed by Watson would embody statements, that the Monroe doctrine, as an essential part of American self-defense, would not in any way be affected by the treaty. It would point out the United States assumed no obligations for coercive enforcement of the pact and, specifically, that each nation could decide for itself what was its own self-defense. These are the same ideas embodied in the Reed-Moses resolution.

Study Tariff Revision

If the agreement can be effected the treaty can be ratified without further argument and the senate can turn its attention to the naval cruiser building bill. If not, the debate may drag on indefinitely, although Borah hopes to be able to force a vote before the end of this week.

The senate judiciary committee today took up the two resolutions proposing investigation of prohibition to refer them to a sub-committee. A compromise resolution is expected to be drawn. Authorizing President-Elect Hoover to appoint an investigating commission of nine members, in accordance with the promise he made during the recent campaign.

Tariff revision hearings, which will last seven weeks, were started by the house ways and means committee.

The house wrestled with the first deficiency and the war department appropriation bills, both of which are expected to be passed before night.

Ice Coats Fire Ruins in Beauty



Ice hampered firemen fighting flames which wrecked two buildings at Greenfield, Ind., early today and collecting on the debris added beauty to blackened ruins. The fire is believed to have started in the Early drug store building shown above.

BOOZE ARRESTS SHOW INCREASE

4,140 Taken Into Custody During Year.

Increase in intoxication arrests and decrease in blind tiger arrests featured the annual report of the Indianapolis police department for 1928.

During the year 35,100 persons were arrested, an increase of 8,594 compared with 1927. Intoxication arrests numbered 4,140, an increase of 1,610. There were 604 fewer blind tiger arrests. Drunken driving arrests numbered 626, a decrease of nine.

Vagrancy charges claimed the greatest number of victims, 6,868, an increase of 1,011. Traffic law violations caused arrest of 5,617 persons, 2,067 more than in 1927. Police made 3,888 arrests on miscellaneous misdemeanor charges, increase of 260. The report showed an increase of 132 in the number of speeders, 2,376.

Other arrests included: Burglary, 207; vehicle taking, 271; homicide, 43; assault and battery, 1,647; petit larceny, 795; carrying concealed weapons, 259; gaming, 2,840;reckless driving, 555; automobile bantidry, 38.

All but seventy-one of the 1,160 persons reported missing were located. Emergency squad, substitution teams and squad cars made 23,171 runs, an increase of more than 3,500.

During the year \$21,310 was paid in traffic fines, \$526 more than in 1927, but nearly \$1,000 less than in 1926.

BUS HEARING CALLED

Company Faces Ouster From State Following Accident.

Secretary Fred L. King of the public service commission has set Jan. 12 at 10 a. m. as the date when officials of the Pony Express Lines, Detroit, should appear before the commissioners and show cause why they should not be prohibited from operating busses on Hoosier highways.

The company operates a bus line from Chicago to Detroit, through Indiana.

The citation was ordered by Commissioner Howell Ells when he learned that a driver figuring in a fatal accident at Elkhart had been operating the bus for three days with no sleep except in a bus seat.

Two Business Buildings Razored by Blaze.

By Times Special
GREENFIELD, Ind., Jan. 1.—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed two business buildings with an estimated damage of \$60,000 and threatened an entire block here early today.

The blaze started about 12:15 a. m. in the front of the Early drug store on the south side of Main street, and spread to a building occupied by the Fred Rhim grocery and meat market and the J. D. Hughes dental offices. The interior of both buildings, two-story brick structures, were burned out. Floors crashed through to the basements.

Firemen, hampered by the intense cold which crusted their clothing, the hose and the burning structure with heavy ice, fought the flames with 4:30 before getting them under control. In spite of the cold a large crowd of spectators gathered. Fire Companies 20 and 25 and a headquarters squad from Indianapolis aided the local firemen.

CITY POSTAL RECEIPTS SHOW DROP IN 1928

Record-Breaking Christmas Volume Fails to Hold Up Business.

Despite a record-breaking Christmas mailing volume, receipts at the Indianapolis postoffice for the year 1928 showed a 1.67 per cent decrease in comparison with 1927. Postmaster Robert H. Byson explained today.

The decrease amounts to \$80,121, of which more than \$30,000 is accounted for by newspaper and periodical postage reduction which became effective six months ago.

Stamp sales also showed a \$38,993 reduction, much of which was due to one local factory which ships its products by mail, having established a western branch distribution office, mailing to western states from the branch office.

The total receipts for the year were \$4,709,882.

Month-to-month increases were February, March April, May, June and October.

ROBS FILLING STATION

A youthful bandit held up A. C. Ashley, 2132 North Talbot street, attendant at the Western Oil and Refining Company filling station at Vermont street and Capitol avenue Sunday night and robbed him of \$35.

"If you give a description of me or try to get my license number I'll be back and blow your brains out," were the youth's words as he jumped into his coupe and sped away in a cloud of steam from a frozen radiator.

GRAND JURY IS 'FROZEN OUT'

Judge Collins Heeds Cold Weather Excuses.

Cold weather and the high cost of living combined today to keep Marion county without a grand jury. Criminal Judge James A. Collins heeded the pleas of all six prospective jurors drawn today and excused them.

The court ordered a new venire of fifteen drawn to report Wednesday. Six who can serve may be called from this list.

The judge heard these excuses from those called today:

Fred A. Hamp, 3251 Baltimore street, badly needed in the office of the Crane Company, plumbing wholesalers.

George Bain, boilermaker for the B. & O. 2012 West New York street, could not afford to work for only \$2 a day as a grand juror.

Emil C. Rassman, 552 North Oxford street, presented doctor's certificate he was too ill to go out in weather like this.

Fred H. Hansing, 1513 Orange street, badly needed on his job as service manager for an elevator company.

Omer Green, R. R. 1, farmer with 200 head of hogs to take care of.

Rufus Heinstand, R. R. 6, in the coal and ice business and this was his busy day.

OPEN STATE FUND BIDS

Members of the state board of finance started this afternoon to open bids for the allocation of some \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000 of state funds for the year.

There are 500 banks on the list and it is expected that complete distribution will not be made for several weeks. Members of the state board of finance are the governor, auditor and treasurer.

HOOVER GIVES REPORT ON TRIP TO COOLIDGE

Plans for Inauguration Also Are Discussed by President-Elect.

BY THOMAS L. STOKES
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—President-Elect Hoover, home from his Latin-American good will tour, opened headquarters here today in the Mayflower hotel, five blocks from the White House, for a brief but busy stay in the scene of his future presidential activities.

He began his mission with a call today on President Coolidge, to whom he reported on his Latin-American visit.

He also was to look forward to March 4 in a conference with the local inauguration committee, with whom he will discuss plans for the ceremony.

WANTS SIMPLE INAUGURATION

Hoover is determined that it be a very simple one, and will resist all pressure for an old-fashioned inaugural, in which long and colorful military parades and formal official functions of all sorts predominate.

The first of official friends, political lieutenants and congressional leaders also began their march toward the temporary headquarters of the next President today, attempting to find out just what is in Hoover's mind as to his cabinet, administration plans, his handling of major issues such as farm relief and prohibition.

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Characteristically, he threaded his way quickly through a small crowd at Union Station, with head lowered, pausing only a few moments after he stepped from his special train to shake hands with Dr. Hubert Work, chairman of the Republican national committee, who headed a welcoming delegation which included William R. Castle, assistant secretary of state, and Dr. L. S. Rowe, director of the Pan-American Union.

Principals in Pettis Case



HEWITT FIGHTS FREE CARE OF RABIES CASES

State Medics Head Back of Measure Opposing State Aid.

Free treatment of hydrophobia cases by the state health board would be stopped by a repeal measure Dr. John Hewitt of Terre Haute, chairman of the State Medical Association's legislative committee, hopes to have enacted by the approaching legislature.

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"The number '13' doesn't scare us . . . even two '13's' make no superstitious impression."

So said Harold Culp and Paul Miller who rented post office box No. 1313 today. "We are not even afraid it will hurt our program and stationery business."

"At least you fellows are frank about it," said the rental official. "Most folks turn it down with the excuse 'it's too large a number to remember'."

RAILWAY BRINGS TOWN WATER

AGUILARES, Tex., Jan. 4.—The people of this town have been depending on the Texas-Mexican Railroad for their water for the past fifty years. The railroad hauls water in tank cars from Laredo, twenty miles away, puts the cars on a siding, and the people carry their supply away in pails.

FRAUD CHARGE INQUIRY AGAINST LAWYER PUSHED

Further Complaints Probed on W. R. Waddell and Marion Club.

Further investigation of the activities of W. R. Waddell, local attorney, who is alleged to have been collecting stock certificate money for members and relatives of members of the defunct Marion Club and retaining large amounts, was being conducted today by Deputy Prosecutor George Eggleston.

He was prompted indefinitely to continue the probe because of a series of additional complaints that have been received since Waddell was ordered to "make good" whatever money he had not turned over to rightful owners, by Superior Judge Byron K. Elliott last week. He will be cited for contempt of court if he does not make restitution within a few days, Elliott threatened.

One woman, who refused to give her name for publication, but who is the daughter of a late state official, said Waddell visited her home last August and said he had some money for her.

She said that he did not tell her the amount but said it was in Marion Club stock that her father owned. She signed a paper that would permit him to collect the funds for her.

"I never have heard from him since," she said. "I do not know the exact number of shares of stock my father owned, but I will confer with authorities about the matter."

This is being investigated by County Clerk George O. Hutsell.

James A. Dodd, father of William L. Dodd, who died several years ago, and Mrs. Carrie Thompson, widow of Thomas L. Thompson, have complained of Waddell's activities to Eggleston. W. L. Dodd and Thompson were club members.

Dodd said Waddell offered to collect \$7.50 which he said was due Dodd for a fee of \$3.75. Dodd said he had received the latter amount.

Records in the clerk's office show that Waddell collected \$47.50 instead of \$7.50. On each \$25 share of stock, \$47.50 was to be refunded. This included interest and dividends.

QUICKEST RELIEF FOR COLDS

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Try it in your tank the next cold day, and you'll learn how much speedier it makes cold weather starting—how it takes the work away from the battery.