

Final Pleas Made in Senate Before Close WPA Cut Vote; Green Fights Wagner Act Repeal

Barkley and Adams Make Final Maneuvers on Issue of Cut.

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delayed until tomorrow. If the Senate raises the appropriation to \$75 million dollars the bill then will have to be returned to the House for consideration.

The conservative Democratic group planned to have Senators Adams (Colo.) and Byrnes (S. C.), both members of the Appropriations Committee, make the principal closing arguments in support of the \$75 million-dollar figure.

Pairs Arranged

With the exception of Senator Chavez (D. N. M.), who is attending a WPA fraud trial in Albuquerque, N. M., all Senators were expected to be present for the vote. Assurances have been given that three ill members of the anti-administration group—Senators Vandenberg (R. Mich.), Bridges (R. N. H.) and King (D. Utah)—either will be present or will be able to arrange pairs with administration supporters to maintain a balance.

Senators said the dispute over pairs indicated that the vote would be "very close" with perhaps less than three votes deciding the outcome. Senator Barkley appeared quite optimistic last night after "doubtful" Senators had been deluged with telegrams and letters from labor organizations, Chambers of Commerce, mayors and others protesting against the proposed reduction.

Labor Non-Partisan League, C. I. O. political arm, announced that it was distributing one million pamphlets disclosing its check of members of the House on the vote to keep the WPA appropriation at \$75 million dollars.

The vote in the House on that issue was a "teller vote" by which members pass between tallies and are counted, but not recorded by name. Some Congressmen willingly let their vote be known, however.

The League said that it had compiled a partial list and then supplied each Congressman with it, requesting correction of any error or omission. The list of names as printed in the pamphlet of Congressmen "voting right" totaled 137. The amendment was defeated 226 to 137.

High Administration officials, including Agriculture Secretary Wallace, Reconstruction Finance Corp. Chairman Jesse Jones and Joseph B. Keenan, assistant to Attorney General Murphy, were seen in the Senate wing of the Capitol as cloakroom maneuvering progressed.

Townsend Seeks High WPA Grant

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Governor Townsend sent telegrams to both Indiana Senators to support a large appropriation for WPA but neither changed his mind about voting today.

Senator VanNoy (D) will continue to be for the \$75 million dollar passed by the House and Senator Minton (D) for the \$75 million asked by President Roosevelt.

The Governor's telegram to Senator Minton reads:

"Relief load still tremendously heavy in Indiana. Keep the amount of WPA as high as possible."

Replying by letter, Senator Minton wrote:

"I have your telegram about relief situation in Indiana and appreciate your wire to me.

"Believe me I will do all in my power to see that the Administration's program, which is none too large, is carried out."

Hearings Ordered on Amlie Nomination

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (U. P.).—The Senate Interstate Commerce Committee today ordered hearings on the nomination to the Interstate Commerce Commission of Thomas R. Amlie, Wisconsin Progressive, which has drawn sharp attacks in both House and Senate of the Wisconsin Legislature.

Ham 'n' Eggs On Thursday For Downey

Times Special

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Senator Downey (D. Cal.) isn't able to collect \$30 every Thursday, but at least he collects a plate of ham and eggs for lunch on that day each week.

A group of his Senate colleagues have made the California pension slogan an excuse for a new luncheon club at the Capitol. Senator Guffy (D. Pa.) started it with a ham and egg party for Senator Downey two weeks ago and some of the others thought it such a good idea that they have rounded up a group for ham and eggs every Thursday since then.

At the first meeting, Senator Guffy invited a cameraman, thinking it would add to the sport to have a picture of Senator Downey taken sitting over a plate of ham and eggs. Senator Downey, far from objecting, announced he would send the picture back to California with a word that the Senators eating with him had been converted to the pension plan. Whereupon the photographer was banished from the room.

'WHITE-COLLAR' WAGE ISSUE UP

Andrews to Call Hearing for Discussion of Status of Workers' Group.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (U. P.).—A public hearing to discuss the advisability of exempting from the Fair Labor Standards Act "high-priced white-collar workers, including newspaper reporters," will be held within three weeks, according to Wage-Hour Administrator Elmer F. Andrews.

Mr. Andrews said the hearing would attack the problem from two directions:

1. Should such workers be exempt from the act?
2. If they should be exempted, should the change be made by administrative regulation or Congressional amendment of the Wage-Hour law?

He said many businessmen have complained about effect of the overtime pay clause on year-around, well-paid employees, who do not punch a time clock and get sick leave and vacations with pay.

Mr. Andrews said he did not know what salary level should be the dividing line between the exempt and nonexempt employees. Salary levels ranging from \$150 to \$400 a month have been suggested, he added.

Mr. Andrews emphasized that he had not decided definitely on the advisability of the change.

Probe on French Plane Buying in U. S. Due

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (U. P.).—President Roosevelt made it clear today that the United States has no objection to the purchase of American military planes by France.

Mr. Roosevelt made his statement at a press conference while two of his Cabinet officers, Treasury Secretary Morgenthau and War Secretary Woodring appeared before an executive session of the Senate Military Affairs Committee in connection with the presence of a French military observer on an experimental plane which crashed in California Monday.

The President did not, however,

A. F. of L. Head Says He Will Boost Walsh Amendments.

By LEE G. MILLER
Times Special Writer

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—On the eve of his long-awaited battle for revision of the Wagner Labor Relations Act, President William Green of the A. F. of L. today refused to make common cause with business groups that oppose the act.

"The A. F. of L. will not join with employers in any move to destroy or amputate the letter or the spirit of the National Labor Relations Act," he said in an article written for the February issue of *Fortune*.

"If employers had been willing to bargain collectively with their workers there would have been no need of the NLRA. . . . We believe it is only the administration of the law that is at fault."

Two Complaints Answered

At the same time Mr. Green concurred with three of business' most frequent complaints against the Labor Board: That it (1) denies employers the right to petition for elections among their employees, (2) denies employers the right of free speech, and (3) "condones sit-down strikes and illegal seizure of property by C. I. O. unions."

The A. F. of L.'s proposed amendments, introduced this week by Senator Walsh (D. Mass.), would deal with the first two complaints. As to the third, Mr. Green wrote:

"The Board appears to have adopted the policy that if an employer is guilty of unfair labor practices, his employees are perfectly justified in breaking other laws to coerce the employer and must be reinstated with back pay after the dispute is adjusted."

He pointed out that this issue is now before the courts (notably in the *Fansteel* case recently argued before the Supreme Court). But neither he nor the Walsh amendments gave any comfort to those who would prohibit coercion of workers "from any source" (instead of only from employers).

Administration Hit

If the Wagner act had been properly administered, Mr. Green wrote, the A. F. of L. would not be seeking amendments.

But the Board "has made a complete flop," he said. "It has stretched the law beyond recognition. By the promulgation of rules, regulations and policies it has built up a monstrous superstructure of new law. . . . It has committed itself to a one-sided set of principles and beliefs. It has acquired a nationwide staff of subordinates committed to these same beliefs."

"Because of these beliefs the Board has deliberately sought to build up the C. I. O. at the expense of the A. F. of L. It has coerced workers into joining unions not of their own choosing. It has condoned the violation of law. . . . And so on."

Next Tuesday has been tentatively designated for a meeting of the Senate Education and Labor Committee by its chairman, Senator Elbert Thomas (D. Utah).

While Mr. Thomas would prefer to put off amendments of the act until the courts have had a further chance to interpret it, he is expected to appoint a subcommittee to conduct hearings on the amendments.

discuss that question—whether the French Government was being permitted to purchase new-type aircraft in this country. A bar on such sales to foreign countries is normally in effect by the War Department.

Committee Chairman Sheppard (D. Tex.) said today that an extensive inquiry will be made to determine the Treasury Department's connection with the French mission.

It was understood that the French propose to purchase about 600 planes in the United States. Of the total, 100 are being delivered and an order for an additional 100 was reported today from Paris to have been placed.

Thomas Hugh McGuire, 61, at 701 N. Pershing, coronary occlusion.

Malinda Pagan, 80, at 1018 W. Michigan, cerebral hemorrhage.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau

INDIANAPOLIS WEATHER: Fair and not so cold tonight, with lowest 34; tomorrow increasing cloudiness with rising temperature, becoming unsettled by night.

Sunrise.....6:58 | Sunset.....4:58

TEMPERATURE
—Jan. 1, 27, 1938—
7 a. m.....6 1 p. m.....14

BAROMETER
7 a. m.....29.21
Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7 a. m. T. Total precipitation since Jan. 1.....2.78
Excess since Jan. 1......18

MIDWEST WEATHER
Indiana—Fair tonight, followed by increasing cloudiness tomorrow with snow or rain in north portion; not quite so cold late tonight; rising temperature tomorrow.

Illinois—Increasing cloudiness tonight; tomorrow mostly cloudy with snow or rain or late tonight; rising temperature tomorrow; temperature tonight and tomorrow.

Lower Michigan—Generally fair tonight; tomorrow mostly cloudy; rising temperature after tonight; snow or rain tomorrow increasing cloudiness and much warmer; rain tomorrow night and Sunday.

Kentucky—Fair and warmer tonight; tomorrow increasing cloudiness and much warmer; rain tomorrow night and Sunday.

WEATHER IN OTHER CITIES AT 7 A. M.
Station. Weather. Bar. Temp.
Amarillo, Tex.Clear. 30.22 28
Bismarck, N. D.Clear. 28.84 24
BostonPClyd. 29.96 4
ChicagoCloudy. 30.70 24
CincinnatiCloudy. 30.32 24
ClevelandSnow. 30.14 18
DenverClear. 29.84 34
Dodge City, Kas.Clear. 29.68 32
Helena, Mont.Clear. 29.84 22
Jacksonville, Fla.Clear. 30.32 40
Kansas City, Mo.Clear. 30.18 30
Little Rock, Ark.Clear. 30.44 34
Los AngelesClear. 30.18 50
Miami, Fla.Clear. 30.18 50
Mpls.-St. PaulClear. 30.18 8
Mobile, Ala.Clear. 30.40 28
New OrleansCloudy. 30.40 24
New YorkClear. 30.24 30
Ola, Okla.Clear. 32.34 30
Omaha, Neb.Clear. 30.18 32
PittsburghSnow. 30.18 12
Portland, Ore.Rain. 29.74 48
San Antonio, Tex.Cloudy. 30.24 28
San FranciscoCloudy. 30.14 50
St. LouisClear. 30.24 30
Tampa, Fla.Clear. 30.36 48
WashingtonClear. 30.18 28

'There! There! Don't You Cry—'



Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt tries to comfort a 3-year-old victim of infantile paralysis, during the First Lady's annual Birthday Ball visit to Children's Hospital in Washington, recently.

FDR Money Power Stirs Fight; Wallace O. K.'s Budget Changes

Banking Interests Appear Pressing to Cancel Devaluation Right.

By THOMAS L. STOKES
Times Special Writer

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Continuation of President Roosevelt's powers to devalue the dollar, which expire June 30, is to become an issue again before Congress soon and will set off a fight involving monetary conservatives, Administration forces and inflationists.

A Senate Banking Subcommittee, headed by Senator Glass (D. Va.), will begin consideration of a bill introduced recently by Senator Wagner (D. N. Y.), Banking Committee chairman, to extend the President's devaluation powers and the stabilization fund until Jan. 15, 1941.

The New York Senator presented the bill after the President, in a message to House Speaker Bankhead a few days ago, asked for continuation of his authority on the ground that "the international monetary and economic situation is still such that it would not be safe to permit such powers to be terminated."

Banking and financial interests, it was learned today, are bringing pressure to cancel the devaluation authority. They argue that this would remove uncertainty in financial circles caused by the possibility that the dollar might be devalued further.

Thomas Wagner, himself, is reported to have doubts about whether the authority should be continued, though he has not made up his mind finally. His introduction of the bill was in his capacity as chairman.

The Senator's doubt indicates that the controversy may become a more lively one than was anticipated, for he has been a consistent supporter of the Administration.

There has been no tinkering with the dollar since President Roosevelt, in January, 1934, issued a proclamation creating a 59-cent dollar. Under the powers conferred upon him in the Thomas amendment to the 1933 Farm Act, the President still could cut the gold content of the dollar to provide a 50-cent dollar.

Repeated rumors from time to time that the Administration contemplated reduction to the figure fixed by the law have been denied, but Hoosier-born Senator Elmer Thomas (D. Okla.), inflationist leader and a moving spirit in the early Congressional fight for the extraordinary Presidential powers, still is clamoring for a further cut to the limit.

There appears to be no movement to close down the Stabilization Fund, with which the Treasury operates in international exchange, to protect the position of the dollar in relation to other currencies.

Businessmen Back Hopkins' Approach

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (U. P.).—The Business Advisory Council—a group of industrialists organized by the Commerce Department—decided today to continue its work "with enthusiasm" under the leadership of new Commerce Secretary Hopkins.

Mr. Hopkins met 50 members of the Council, created by his predecessor, Daniel C. Roper, yesterday and discussed business with them for four hours.

New Accounting System Would Shrink U. S. Debt Figures.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (U. P.).—Agriculture Secretary Wallace, who insisted early in the New Deal upon vigorous plans for eventual budget balance, was on record today in behalf of a new system of Federal accounting to shrink the national debt.

Secretary Wallace's proposals, published in book form under the title "Paths to Plenty" by the National Home Library Foundation, are likely to attract considerable attention.

He is the first Cabinet officer formally to endorse the new accounting system suggested by President Roosevelt in his budget message this month. Congress was cool to the suggestion.

Secretary Wallace's book also is notable because he is among the 100 per cent New Dealers who might be put forward in 1940 to succeed Mr. Roosevelt, assuming that there is to be no third term candidacy.

He also announced that the Association would support the Indianapolis News in its suit for a declaratory judgment and injunction to prevent proposed application of such State legislation to that newspaper.

HOOSIER PRESS ASSN. AGAINST CARRIER BAN

Notifies State Labor Division Of Its Stand.

The Hoosier State Press Association will oppose application of state child labor laws to newspaper carrier boys, Wray E. Fleming, President of the Association, notified the State Labor Division today.

He also announced that the Association would support the Indianapolis News in its suit for a declaratory judgment and injunction to prevent proposed application of such State legislation to that newspaper.

Mr. Fleming's announcement in the Association's organ, "The Indiana Publisher," follows in part:

"While there is no disposition on the part of the Hoosier State Press Association to advise its members, or nonmembers, to violate any law or laws, it will be the policy of this organization to oppose to the very end all unreasonable and capricious rules, regulations and legislation tending to interfere with the normal processes of personal fights and privileges.

"That is our answer given this day to notice received from the director of the Bureau of Women and Children of the Division of Labor for the State of Indiana, which demands that the Hoosier State Press Association co-operate with the campaign that seeks to void 'little merchant' contracts for news carriers.

"Our advice to the newspapers of Indiana, decided upon by the board of directors of the state press association, is to ignore this movement, instituted by the director of the bureau and to rest our case with the public, with the parents of boys who are earning a few dollars a week as newsboys and with those successful men who point with pride to their first income from distribution of newspapers in the home town."

DANCES WILL AID PARALYSIS FUND

Child Victims of Malady Can't Take Part, but They're Excited.

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attack. He has left the hospital since, but he wears a brace.

Children who contract the disease are treated, and then sent home, often still are patients and must return periodically for surgery.

Thus, Mrs. Kahmann says, there has grown up among Indiana victims treated in Indianapolis a definite camaraderie. Although none in the hospital now was there when the President visited it, all of them have heard, time and again, of the event from those who were.

The significance of the dances, to be held Monday night, is thus greatly heightened for those 30 bed-ridden patients, because they know that the dances are in honor of the President's birthday, and for the benefit of all who may ever be stricken.

Card Parties Also Planned

And so it is that for weeks, now, scores of persons in the City have been giving their time to committees and arrangements for the nine dances so that the proceeds can be used for treatment and research.

There are card parties planned, too, the proceeds of which will go to the Nationwide fund.

The dances are to be at the Marrott Hotel, the Naval Armory, Antlers Hotel, Athenaeum, Murat Temple, South Side Turners' Hall, Indianapolis Saengerbund Hall, Syrian-American Lebanon Brotherhood, and Walkers' Casino.

STRAUSS SAYS:—

Corpses Lie Unburied as Chile Quake Toll Is Put at 30,000 Dead, 50,000 Hurt

SANTIAGO, Chile, Jan. 27 (U. P.).—The toll of the most disastrous earthquake of the century on this continent, mounted rapidly today as haggard workmen repaired communication lines to south central Chile. Appalling conditions were revealed in the six stricken states embracing an area of 40,000 square miles with a population of 1,600,000, where the earthquake struck early Tuesday.

In the constantly changing figure, a partial United Press compilation showed the following major centers of death:

Chellán, 10,000; Concepcion, 2000; Cauquenes, 2500; San Rosendo, 1000; Penco, 200. Scores of other places reported 10, 20 or more dead. Many more have not been heard from.

The injured number tens of thousands and the homeless hundreds of thousands. The damage may well reach \$50,000,000.

German, French, American and Argentine planes were arriving frequently to aid the exhausted Chilean pilots making trips from dawn to dark in bombers.

The water problem was acute. In the shattered ruins of cities, hundreds of corpses lay unburied.

Survivors Fight Threat of Disease Outbreak

CONCEPCION, Chile (By Radio to Santiago), Jan. 27 (U. P.).—Campes in the open, surrounded by fires, ruins and the stench of death, survivors of Tuesday's earthquake struggled to establish order today and ward off an increasingly grave danger of epidemic.

There were at least 2000 unburied dead and countless injured demanding attention.

A typical impression was that of Dr. Salvador Allende, Socialist deputy, who visited Chillán.

"When I arrived in the city," he said, "I saw a sight worthy of

Dante's 'Inferno.' The sight is so indelibly engraved on my heart that I will never forget it.

"Silent, depressed, lifeless figures stood dully. Corpses were strewn on every hand. . . . My throat choked and I was unable to speak."

Two Americans Are Reported Killed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (U. P.).—Norman Armour, U. S. Ambassador to Chile, reported to the State Department today that two Americans were killed and four others injured, one perhaps fatally, in the Chilean earthquake.

The victims were members of the family of Courtlandt Sweet.

SUGGESTS NEW SQUAD TO PATROL TAVERNS

Police Chief Morrissey suggested today that a new liquor squad may have to be created to police taverns for violations of the State liquor laws.

Effective Feb. 1, the State Excise Department will withdraw all but two officers from Marion County as a result of a retrenchment program announced yesterday in which 24 officers were given indefinite leaves of absence.

Here Is the Traffic Record

County Deaths
(To Date)
1938 4
1939 14

City Deaths
(To Date)
1938 2
1939 9

Jan. 26
Accidents 5
Injured 2
Dead 0
Arrests 30
Others 15

MEETINGS TODAY

Indiana Retail Hardware Association, state convention, Murat Temple, all day.

Exchange Club, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.

Optimist Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.

Indianapolis Merchants' Association, dinner, Hotel Washington, 6:30 p. m.

Reserve Officers' Association, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Phi Delta Theta, luncheon, Canterbury Club, noon.

Delta Tau Delta, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.

Kappa Sigma, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.

Salem's Club, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.

Indianapolis Federation of Community Circle Clubs, meeting, Hotel Washington, 7:30 p. m.

Women's Federation of Clubs, meeting, Claypool Hotel, all day.

MEETINGS TOMORROW

Indiana State Federation of Public School Teachers, luncheon, Claypool Hotel, noon.

Alliance Française, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.

Fred C. White Jr., 22, of 237 Kansas St.; Elmer M. Halloran, 20, of 912 S. West St.; Frederick J. Ems, of 147 Epler St.; Lima Browder, 19, of R. 17, Box 2375.

BIRTHS

Clarence, Naomi Calloway, at City Y. Leonard, Mary Gorman, at City.

Charles, Catherine Wagner, at St. Francis.

Carl, Mary Keys, at Coleman.

Wayne, Velma Wolcott, at Coleman.

George, Mabel Butler, at Methodist.

Charles, Beatrice Ford, at 1048 N. Belmont.

John, Eliza Chapman, at 906 E. 21st.

Gus, Carrie Woods, at 2612 Winthrop.

Tom, Flossie Redford, at 1708 S. Key-stone.

Leo, Mary Hurley, at 404 W. Vermont.

Margaret, Harold Virgin, at Methodist.

Alfred, George Pope, at Methodist.

Harriet, Paul Sharps, at Methodist.

Reginald, Helen Howe, at Methodist.

Dan, Anna Thompson, at 258 N. Black-ford.

Virgil, Corine Patton, at 1220 E. 25th.

Horace, Marjorie Mitchell, at 448 Bright.

Victor, Gretchen Hoff, at 348 S. Dear-born.

DEATHS

Richard, Lucile Glass, at 2904 E. Michigan.

Kenneth, Mary Prather, at 717 E. 17th.

Virginia, Gracia Savers, at Methodist.

Morris, Theda Boies, at Methodist.

George, Mabel Hipp, at Methodist.

Carl, Clara McCauley, at 3431 N. Butler.

Clara, Clara Arnold, at 1959 N. Gale.

Albert, Mary Hayse, at 1227 S. Meridian.