

VOTE ON CONSTITUTION TODAY

ADMINISTRATION LOSES INITIAL SHIP BILL TILT

Insurgent Senators to Delay Passage.

BY ARTHUR SEARS HENNING. Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—The senate today was the scene of lively skirmishing in what eventually will be a desperate pitched battle between the administration and the opposition in congress over the ship subsidy bill. In the preliminary engagement the opposition won.

The Democrats and Republican opponents inaugurated filibustering tactics to prolong the passage of the bill until February if possible, by which time it would become comparatively easy to talk the measure to death in the closing days of this congress, which will expire March 4.

Senator Jones [Rep., Wash.], chairman of the commerce committee, made an effort to keep the senate on the subsidy bill to the exclusion of other business. Senator Robinson [Dem., Ark.] blocked a move to recess instead of adjourn tonight to expedite action on the bill.

Attempt to Speak Blocked. Senator Jones had intended to open the debate with an explanation of the bill, but the time was taken up by the opposition to such an extent that he did not even begin his speech.

Led by Senator Fletcher [Dem., Fla.], ranking minority member of the commerce committee, the Democrats, in half a dozen different other ways, managed to clog the machinery and prevent any progress on the bill.

Senator Harrison made no secret of the fact that obstructionist tactics will be employed by the Democrats. He served notice that an effort will be made to sidetrack the bill and give other legislation the right of way. He asserted that a motion would be made to displace the ship subsidy bill in favor of rural credits legislation and the McNary bill.

Asks Full Consideration. "This is a bill that ought to be discussed at length," Senator Robinson said. "There will be no disposition of this bill until the senate has had an opportunity to give it full consideration."

"The bill is voluminous. As reported from the committee it contains far-reaching amendments. The bill was passed by the house by a margin of only twenty-four votes. Sixty-nine members of the house who voted for the bill have been defeated for reelection. Does anybody doubt that this measure is unpopular? The bill was an issue in the election. It is partly responsible for the almost unparalleled change in the character of representation in congress."

Senator Harrison added that by motions to lay the ship subsidy bill aside he intended to put senators on record as to whether or not they are "friends of the shipping trust" or whether they wish to give first consideration to legislation for the relief of the farmer.

Harrison Backed Up. Senators Stanley [Dem., Ky.] and McKellar [Dem., Tenn.] were among other Democrats who assured the senators that there will be full discussion of the ship subsidy bill before it comes to a vote.

Why ninety of the leading commercial organizations in seventeen interior states favor an American merchant marine and President Harding's legislative plan to establish one was told to the President when he received a committee headed by J. J. Blommer, Milwaukee, from the middle west merchant marine committee.

The committee presented resolutions endorsing the shipping bill and stressing the need of its immediate passage.

MAKES SON EAT CIGARET STUBS; PAYS \$200 FINE. Steve Deusch, 35 years old, 1842 South Laflin street, found his 12 year old son, Joseph, with five cigar butts in his possession. As a punishment he forced Joseph to swallow them and afterwards locked him naked to a room with the window open to admit the frosty air.

Neighbors saw Joseph there and reported the matter, and the boy and his father were taken to the police station. Yesterday it was admitted that it was all the boy's fault, but Judge Joseph S. La Buy severely censured the father for his brutal punishment and fined him \$200 and costs.

Clear Mississippi Governor of Girl's Charges

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FOREIGN. London conference of premiers adjourns to meet at Paris, where agreement is expected; France announces it will occupy Ruhr; British want tranquility. Page 3.

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WASHINGTON. Filibustering tactics inaugurated by Democrats and Republican opponents of ship subsidy bill won in the preliminary engagement with administration forces in the senate today. Page 1.

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Miss Melius renews in state court her suit against Ganna Walska and her manager for the latter breaking his contract to manage her concert tour. Page 19.

SPORTING. John Richards resigns as head football coach at Wisconsin; Wilcox of Ohio possible successor. Page 25.

Frank Chance signs to manage Boston Red Sox; Col. G. L. Huston gets ready to quit baseball by optioning his half ownership of Yankees at reported price of \$1,400,000. Page 24.

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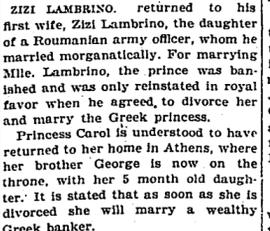
Wheat, oats, and corn sell at new season high and hold strong undertone on profit taking; wheat 1/2 cent lower to 1 1/2 cent higher, corn 1/4 cent higher to 1/2 cent higher, oats 1/4 cent higher to 1/2 cent lower. Page 27.

WILL HE TAKE IT?



PRINCE CAROL QUILTS PRINCESS FOR HIS EX-WIFE

PARIS, Dec. 11.—It is reported that the wife of Crown Prince Carol of Roumania, who formerly was Princess Helen, daughter of former King Constantine of Greece, is preparing to file suit for divorce in Paris, alleging desertion and misconduct by her husband.



ZIZI LAMBRINO. Reports in Roumanian court circles state that Prince Carol left his wife about a month ago and returned to his first wife, Zizi Lambirino, the daughter of a Roumanian army officer, whom he married morganatically. For marrying Mile Lambirino, the prince was banished and was only reinstated in royal favor when he agreed to divorce her and marry the Greek princess.

Princess Carol is understood to have returned to her home in Athens, where her brother George is now on the throne, with her 5 month old daughter. It is stated that as soon as she is divorced she will marry a wealthy Greek banker.

CROWD SEES RAID ON RIALTO CLUB

Opens Drive to Make the Holidays Arid. (Picture on back page.) Roscoe C. Andrews, Illinois' new prohibition director, picked out the heart of Chicago's "night life" center last evening as the scene of his first concrete demonstration that he intends to make good his announcement that this city will have its most arid holiday season this year.

During the rush hour twenty prohibition agents hurried to the fifth floor of the Garrick Theater building, where, it is alleged, one of Chicago's merriest meeting places has thrived since last July, under the name of "the Nothiel Oil and Gas company." To the initiated it has been known by the more friendly title of "Nothiel Pleasure and Fraternal club."

Many Rialto favorites and other white light habitués were limbing from off the roll top desks and the safe-principal furniture of the establishment, designed, it is said, to deceive nonmembers as to the real purpose of the organization.

Word of the raid rapidly spread throughout the north section of the loop and hundreds of Christmas shoppers, business men, and theatrical folk congested Randolph street, eager to gain a glimpse of the choice liquors of the "club," as cases were removed to taxicabs and patrol wagons.

None of the inmates of the place was arrested, although several of the furor when the prohibition agents identified themselves. Walter Dempsey, in charge of the desks at the "club," and A. J. Courtney, who served at the safes, were taken into custody by Prohibition Group Chief Larry White, and will be arraigned before United States Commissioner James R. Glass this morning.

The Tribune's Advice on the Constitution VOTE NO Election Today

MILLIONAIRE TO GO TO PRISON FOR SLAYING AUTOIST

Aurora, Ill., Dec. 11.—[Special.]—Jacob Klein, millionaire deputy sheriff of Du Page county, has lost his fight to escape going to the penitentiary for the murder of Leo Neumann, Chicago motorist. The Illinois Supreme court today denied him a rehearing and Klein, now at liberty under \$50,000 bond, will be taken to prison as soon as the mandate arrives from Springfield, State's Attorney C. W. Reed stated today.

Klein, who is past 50, and one of the best known men in Du Page county, was convicted of slaying Neumann because the Chicago man failed to obey his command to stop. In the trial Klein claimed that Neumann was speeding and that when he shot in the air to frighten him the bullet went through the back end of the automobile as it went up an incline in the road.

Jackie Coogan, Inc., New California Corporation. Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 11.—Incorporation papers of the Jackie Coogan Productions, Inc., a firm organized for the production of moving pictures, were filed today in the office of Secretary of State Jordan. The capital stock is \$500,000.

More than 3,000,000 letters, in response to Want Ads are distributed by The Tribune's post office each year.

RUSSELL WINS SEDUCTION SUIT FILED BY TYPIST

Jury Gives Verdict in 28 Minutes.

Oxford, Miss., Dec. 11.—[By the Associated Press.]—Lee M. Russell, governor of Mississippi, was acquitted by a jury in United States District court here tonight of charges of seduction and other serious allegations by a verdict finding for the defendant in a suit for \$100,000 damages instituted by Miss Frances Cleveland Birkhead, stenographer.

The verdict, the climax of one of the most sensational lawsuits ever filed in a Mississippi court, was returned at 6:38 o'clock, just twenty-eight minutes after the arguments were concluded, instructions given, and the case submitted.

Gov. Russell and Mrs. Russell sat with counsel for defense during the argument at the morning session of court. Mr. Russell heard Mr. Campbell's arraignment with tightly drawn lips.

Miss Birkhead, diminutive, was almost hiding from view seated behind her counsel. Her expression was serious—more serious than at any time during the trial.

Had Asked \$100,000. Miss Birkhead had asked for \$100,000 damages. Fifty thousand dollars was asked on each of the two counts, one charging seduction and the other impairment of health as a result of an alleged operation.

The verdict was returned by a jury composed of men ranging in age from 46 to 76 years of age. All are married. It was said but one ballot was taken.

In instructing the jury Judge Holmes said: "It is safe to say your judgment will be final, for this case has been remarkably free from exceptions. Be fair. Be just. Be absolutely impartial."

Peeps at Gifts, Boy, Rebuked, Kills Himself

Gordon Tuchband, 13 years old, son of Gustave Tuchband, 748 Addison street, last night, committed suicide after having been reprimanded by his mother, Mrs. Lillian Tuchband, for opening a number of Christmas packages. The boy shot himself through the head with a revolver taken from his father's bureau.

Last night the father, who is the proprietor of a haberdashery shop at 1610 West Madison street, brought home a number of mysterious packages. Gordon, his sister, Doris, 11 years old, and his brother, Robert, 8, crowded around their father.

Thrilled with anticipation, the children made the room ring with their merry laughter and eager questions at these first visible signs of the nearing Christmas.

Hides Gifts in Closet. Tuchband laughingly warned them off, and took the presents to a clothes press opening off a bedroom, where he deposited them on a table. Shortly afterwards he left the house.

Gordon and Doris sneaked into the clothes press. Mrs. Tuchband, hearing sounds of strife, found them opening the packages and quarreling over the disposition of the gifts.

She reprimanded them, Mrs. Tuchband said, and ordered them to leave the house and take a walk until their father returned. Doris obeyed, but Gordon, fascinated by the holly boxes and bright ribbon and unable to master his curiosity, lingered for a last surreptitious peep. Again he was discovered and scolded.

Hears Shot, Finds Boy Dead. When Mrs. Tuchband returned to the kitchen the boy went to the bedroom and took a revolver from the drawer of his father's bureau. Placing the gun to his right temple, he pulled the trigger. Startled by the shot, Mrs. Tuchband ran to the bedroom. Her son lay dead on the floor.

Gordon was a pupil at the Blaine school, where he was to have graduated this year, and it is said that he had been despondent because his teacher had refused his request that he be given a part in the school's Christmas play.

PRO AND CON GROUPS BOTH CLAIM VICTORY

Eleventh Hour Rural Shift Reported.

BY ARTHUR EVANS. At 6 o'clock this frosty morning the polls open for the voting on the most important question submitted to the Illinois electorate in more than half a century, the choice of a basic law, old or new.

The battle over rejection or adoption of the proposed new constitution raged more merriely than ever last night in Chicago in the closing hours of the campaign. Mass meetings were held in many wards. "Get out the vote!" was the shout. Debaters were still at it hammer and tongs.

Word from downstate was that in many communities interest at the eleventh hour became intense.

Taxes Chief Issue. Taxes kept the lead as the predominant issue. In Chicago and the larger cities outside card slingers and tract distributors, pro and con, worked up to the last minute. It was almost a small blizzard of dodgers, handbills, and pamphlets. Most of these activities were outside the regular political parties.

Teachers in Chicago, after their day's work, went into their precincts in a house to house appeal to voters not to forget election day. Groups from neighborhood improvement clubs put memory joggers in the mail boxes of apartment houses. From all appearances the polls today will not be manned in the usual manner except in a few wards and the endeavor yesterday was to spread the word, "Judge your neighbor today and ask him not to forget to vote." That was the wording on thousands of cards.

Cite Judges' Opposition. Wide distribution was given the arguments prepared against ratification by the twenty-five members of the Circuit and Superior courts who oppose the new draft, the Chicago city council, and the People's Protective league. The point on which heaviest emphasis was laid was that the tax provisions subject "every scrub woman, newsboy, clerk, farm hand, seamstress who earns \$10 a week to an income tax."

Word from Oregon was that the final advice of Justice James H. Cartwright to his neighbors and fellow townsmen was "I advise you to vote 'No.'"

A ratification camp held to its old estimate, given by Joseph C. Mason of the general committee Saturday. Their forecast is that about 1,000,000 votes will be polled and the new draft will be adopted by a majority of 100,000.

"Anti" See Victory. The opponents of the new draft, on the other hand, swelled their figures. Harold L. Icken, head of the People's Protective league, said: "Our reports from downstate centers today are that the downstate vote may be against ratification. It depends on the size of the vote, but we look for the new draft to be snuffed out by 200,000 and perhaps 300,000. It appears that in the farming regions great weight is being attached to Justice Cartwright's analysis of the tax provisions."

Cook county, of course, from the start has been expected to roll up a majority against the new draft, and the question still is whether this will be overcome in the voting downstate. The ratificationists say it will. At Springfield the politicians who always keep their cards close to their noses, figure a downstate majority of between 100,000 and 125,000. They said yesterday a "no" majority of 150,000 or more in Cook county would defeat ratification. The "anti's" declare it would not be surprising to see an almost even break downstate, a 50,000 vote margin either way.

Bible Reading a Factor. Bible reading in the public schools loomed up larger yesterday as a factor. A report was sent in that the Chicago Lutheran Pastoral conference, the largest Lutheran conference in the city, in its December meeting voted against the new draft, for this reason: "We believe the new sentence relative to the reading of the Bible in public schools is in violation of the American principle of separation of church and state. The Lutheran church has always stood for the open Bible, but when passages are culled from it to please every denomination and when the reading is supervised by members of every belief and unbelief, we believe that it can do no good and much harm."

Among downstate church circles in the last month's Bible reading has been widely discussed and much attention has been given to the finding of the Supreme court in 1910 in which Justice Frank K. Dunn pointed out that

PIEZ AND FORMER SECRETARY ARE REWED IN STATE

Year Up Since Divorce from First Wife.

(Picture on back page.) Charles Piez, formerly director general of the United States Emergency Fleet corporation and president of the Link Belt company, yesterday obtained a license to marry Miss Laura S. Cooke of Laurel, Md., formerly his secretary. Married in New York shortly after Piez's divorce from Mrs. Laura Olivia Flora Piez in December, 1921, by Judge Joseph Sabath, the couple have refrained from returning to Chicago until expiration of the statutory limit to remarriage under the Illinois divorce laws. After the second ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Piez went to the Cooper-Carlton hotel, where they expect to make their home.

Nationally Known Engineer. Nationally known as engineer and efficiency expert, Mr. Piez filed suit against his first wife on Dec. 7, 1921, charging that he had been deserted after a series of domestic differences. The separation took place, it was asserted, when Mr. Piez assumed directorship of the fleet corporation and removed to Washington. Mrs. Piez, now living in New York, is said to have received a large alimony settlement.

Immediately after his divorce Mr. Piez left for New York, and several months later friends learned that the manufacturer was honeymooning in Europe with his former secretary, whom he had married secretly.

Remains in New York. On his return to America Mr. Piez declared that changed business conditions would necessitate his permanent removal to a suburb near New York. As a result of the impending local marriage, it is believed that Mr. Piez again will engage actively in local business and financial circles.

Woman Held in Wyoming May Be Hammer Slayer. Casper, Wyo., Dec. 11.—In the arrest of a woman who got off the Burlington train from Billings here early tonight, Capt. Clayton of the police department believes he has captured Mrs. Clara Phillips, convicted of the murder of Mrs. Alberta Meadows at Los Angeles.

He said that she answered practically every detail of Mrs. Phillips' description as sent out by the Los Angeles authorities.