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LAME DUCK BILL

THE LAME DUCK amendment to the constitution of the United States has been passed by both houses of congress and is now under consideration by a conference committee seeking to reconcile differences.

The principal differences between the measures as passed by the house and the senate is that the house added an amendment providing that the ratification within seven years by at least 36 of the state legislatures cannot be made until after the election of a new legislature in each state so ratifying. The idea being to give the voters a chance to express themselves on the measure.

If it is very probable that the differences will be compromised and a report returned to both houses of congress which will become a law.

The amendment, then, as with all constitutional amendments, must be ratified by the legislatures of two-thirds of the states of the union before it becomes effective.

Under the present arrangement, the President and senators and members of the house of representatives are elected at general elections early in November.

The President-elect is then inaugurated the fourth of the next March, four months after election. Under the new plan he would take office on the fourth of January.

Senators and congressmen elect do not take office, however, until the new congress convenes, thirteen months after the time of their election. Under the new plan, the new congress would convene January 24, the so-called "lame duck" session, occurring between election and the expiration of the old congress March 4, would be done away with.

So the new amendment to the constitution, if finally passed and ratified by the states as it undoubtedly will be, will bring the newly-elected congress much closer to the people. And it will not be necessary to wait for more than a year to get action on the expressed will of the people.

A HIGH PRICE

LAS VEGAS has paid a high price for its absence of concrete walks and improved streets in some of the outlying districts.

Yesterday there were two little girls trying to cross the street at Sixth and Carson. Before they knew it they were so stuck in the clayey mud that they lost their shoes and had to abandon them entirely. Then to make it worse they fell and got their pretty dresses plastered with mud.

When they reached home, mother was furious about the muddy clothes, we presume, and when she reported the matter to dad, he was quite as furious about the necessity of buying new shoes.

We have something like 1,800 children enrolled in our schools. It is not unreasonable to believe that the conditions of the streets about the schools is costing parents about a dollar a day per child for ruined shoes and clothing, in addition to all the other unpleasant features.

And many a spell of sickness could be avoided if there were some way to do away with the mud.

The United States shipping board, with a fleet of 2,239,153 gross tons in 397 ships, is the world's largest ship owner. Nearly 3,000,000 gaily painted Chinese paper umbrellas have been exported from Hong Kong in the last 12 months.

THE WASHINGTON BYSTANDER

By KIRKE SIMPSON

WASHINGTON—When Senator Borah raised the sights of the gun he framed on government salaries so that none below a level of \$5,000 a year would be hit, a great sigh of relief went up from Uncle Sam's working force.

But all these new house members must have the shivers. That \$10,000 a year probably looked mighty good to most of them even in 1930. Now, with 1932 conditions in mind, it must look even handsomer.

Curiously enough the 25 per cent pay raise congress voted itself in 1925 was tacked on an appropriation bill in the senate. Senators generally are supposed not to be much concerned about their own pay.

The old title "millionaires' club" once applied to that body may not be quite in keeping with these days when senators are elected direct, yet there are lots of wealthy senators.

BORAH LIES IN WAIT

Borah isn't one of 'em. His salary is probably about as important to him as to anybody else "on the hill." Yet he has been lying in wait to gun for that boost in congressional pay some seven years.

Unfortunately, examination of the record shows that Mr. Borah did not state his views about just how many dollars per year a senator or member of congress is worth to the taxpayers when he made his lone handed attempt to prevent the boost in 1925.

What he was complaining about was that the deal slipped through the senate with no discussion whatever. Borah later tried to repeal the provision by a rider on a deficiency act, but went down and out on a point of order.

He stayed down seven years. Then this year, with the depression and pay-slashing operations to support him, he got up again holding a three-barrel gun at the head of congress.

One bill would cut all salaries above \$5,000 a year mark, including army and navy. Another would trim down mileage rates for members of congress. The third would deal only with salaries of senators and house members.

The initial bill was first up in the senate, but Borah had great difficulty finding a committee parking place for it.

REPORT IT?—NOT YET

They were all too busy or raised parliamentary objections. Some said they couldn't report on it this session.

Senator Glass of Virginia grinned at Borah and told him that was just the kind of a committee the senate evidently wanted, one that would never report.

"There is a well known method by which to get a report," Borah said.

It rather looks as though the other two Borah pay or mileage cut bills are just strategic. What he is really after is that additional little \$2,500 per year per head congress voted itself seven years ago without saying "Thank you." "Go to thunder" or anything else.

RAIL SPLINTERS

BY JOHN H. LIGHTFOOT

Master Mechanic Geo. R. Wilcox is spending a couple of days in Las Vegas, taking a look over the various engines that run in and out of this point, and from his looks he is pretty well satisfied with the condition existing.

Car Inspector Charley Hammond is laid up at his home with a severe cold, contracted working in the present wet weather on a night shift.

Quite a few railroad engineers and firemen have left for Los Angeles to attend the funeral of the late Engineer Studneck, one of the most popular engineers on the U. P.

Fireman Walter Homan, who has been off duty for a few days on account of a severe cold, has so far recovered as to return to work.

Fireman Harry Stewart has gone to Los Angeles for a few days on business and pleasure combined.

Fireman Howe has taken a few days off on account of illness in his family.

General Storekeeper Frank Cragin for the U. P. is spending a day or so in Las Vegas looking over the local stock. He is en route to Salt Lake.

WILL BURY MRS. STRONG IN UTAH

Funeral arrangements announced yesterday for Mrs. Clara M. Strong are for burial services at the Tenth ward chapel in Salt Lake City Sunday afternoon.

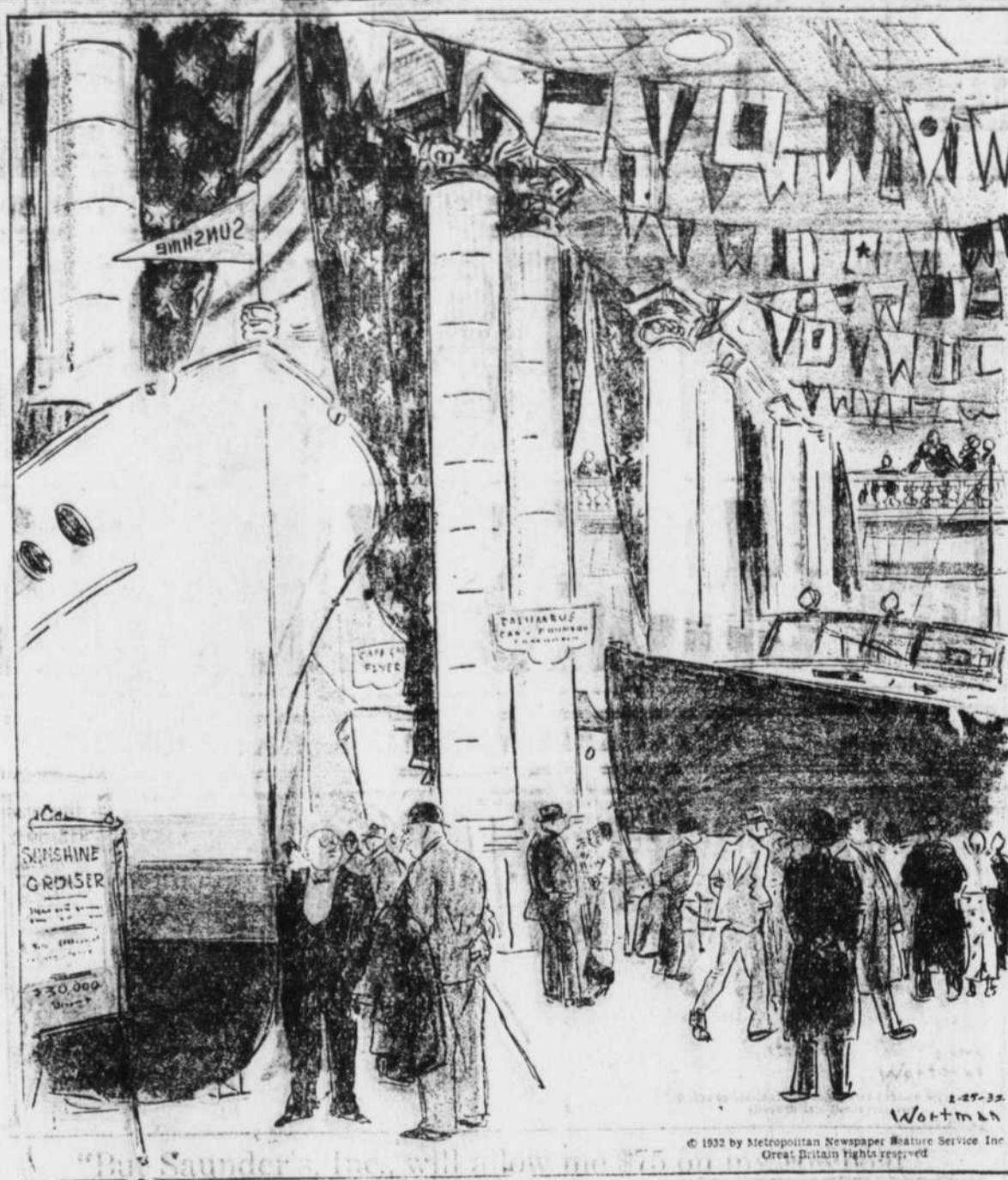
The body will be shipped to Salt Lake City Saturday evening, and will be accompanied by her daughters, Mrs. Bryan Bunker of this city, Mrs. O. M. Hoglund and Mrs. A. J. Steight of Los Angeles, and her son, L. R. Strong of Las Angeles.

WATSON RITES SET FOR TODAY

Funeral services for J. L. Watson, proprietor of the Village Inn, who was found dead in bed Monday morning, will be held this afternoon at the Palm funeral home at 2:30.

The services will be conducted by the local Elks lodge, and burial will be in the Woodlawn cemetery.

EVERYDAY MOVIES



"But Saunder's, Inc., will allow me \$75 on my rowboat."

MOAPA VALLEY NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Nettie Mills Kelly, sister of Bert Mills, returned with her husband, Dwight Kelly, to their home in Los Angeles last Sunday following a few days spent visiting old friends in the valley, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mills of Logandale.

Ed. Stone of Las Vegas was in the valley on business Monday.

The valley has had rain every day since Saturday. Bert Mills of Logandale reports 1.07 inches as the rainfall this week.

Influenza has been very prevalent here for a couple of weeks. Among those indisposed this week are: Mrs. Mary U. Lytle, Mrs. James Huntsman, Thora Swapp, LeVerne Jones and Edwin Wells.

George L. Hinton of Hurricane and Mr. McMullen of Leeds, Utah, spent a few days here on business early in the week.

WEDNESDAY IN CONGRESS

By United Press

SENATE
Foreign relations committee approved nomination of Joseph O. Crew to be ambassador to Japan.

Judiciary subcommittee appointed to consider nomination of Judge Benjamin Cardozo, of New York, to the U. S. Supreme court bench.

Passed Bingham bill to establish a provincial government in American Samoa.

Passed Barkley bill extending for one year government loans made during 1931 on crops in drought, storm, flood or hail stricken areas.

Authorized creation of a \$10,000,000 revolving fund to be used by the secretary of agriculture to make loans to individuals for information of agricultural corporations and similar organizations qualified to do business with the intermediate credit banks. The house took similar action.

Senator Carter Glass, Dem., Va., in urging passage of measure liberalizing federal reserve credit and currency said the federal reserve system had been "threatened with raids on its gold supply by foreign nations, notably France."

HOUSE
Democratic leaders considered Warren bill providing \$125,000,000 for federal road building as an unemployment relief measure.

An investigation of alleged communistic activities in Kentucky coal fields was asked by Rep. Finley, Repn., Ky.

Speaker Garner said it might be necessary to give a house committee plenary powers to investigate possible economies in government.

Rep. Loring Black, Dem., N. Y., charged before rules committee that federal narcotic agents had protected the late Jack "Legs" Diamond and kept him from appearing before New York police for questioning.

Mrs. Catherine Sheets, Columbus, O., 70, is the star pupil in Columbus evening high school.

Mary Purnell, ruler of the House of David at Benton Harbor, Mich., is now a great-grandmother.

MANHATTAN MIRRORS

By the United Press
NEW YORK, Feb. 17. (U.P.)—The Schwartzbergs just couldn't get along together, it became apparent today when Anna Schwartzberg demanded \$50 weekly alimony from her husband, Jacob, in supreme court.

"She fed hot dogs to the baby all the time," said Jacob fighting the alimony plea, "because she said the kid was used to delicatessen stuff. She thinks she is an expert stud poker player, but she drops five and six dollars at a sitting, and the sittings are frequent."

"He beats me," answered Mrs. Schwartzberg, "and mother-in-law causes all kinds of trouble." "She neglects the baby," continued Jacob, "and never washes and feeds it. She plays poker with her friends so late at night that they keep the baby awake. And they keep me awake. And she never wins."

The judge reserved decision.

William Jennings Bryan's granddaughter, Helen Bryan, will make her Broadway debut as an actress Friday. She's not much interested in politics.

And while she reveres the memory of her grandfather, she confessed

today during an interview that her ideas about religion are somewhat different than those upheld by the "great commoner."

"Of course," she said, "I don't believe in many of the things my grandfather did. I'm decidedly a fundamentalist. I don't believe in a hereafter nor subscribe to the normal belief in God. God, to me, means beauty—the beauty of poetry and of art."

Miss Bryan is 19.

Frank Schippl, taxicab driver, was in jail today because two detectives did a fine job of checking some 4,000 record cards, each card being the record of a cab trip.

Sunday night, Mrs. Frederick Lewisohn, of Park avenue, rode from the Pennsylvania station to her home. When she left the cab she forgot to take a small bag containing \$33,500 in jewels.

The detectives searched the taxicab, could find none recording a trip from the Pennsylvania to the Park avenue address. But they did find one showing signs of an escape having been made. It was from Schippl's cab. They located the cab driver and found, buried in the basement of his home, a sack containing the missing jewels.

VEGAS VERDE

North Las Vegas

VISIT PARENTS
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hart of Los Angeles are visiting here with Mrs. Hart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Haas.

MOVE TO L. A.
Mr. and Mrs. Watt Lampy have

group are: President, Hazel Hannigz vice president, Aileen Lyon; secretary, Gladys Tobisson; treasurer, Ruth Marshall; reporter, Eloise Andersen.

There are 35 girls in the Sunset arc and Miss Ora Lee is the home economics instructor.

old their Vegas Verde property and are moving to Los Angeles. Their son, Matthew, will accompany them.

WOMEN HOLD MEET
The Woman's Missionary society held its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon.

STOPPING OVER
Mike Girmau is stopping over in North Las Vegas for a few days.

VISITING MOTHER
Gladys and Arlene Jones are visiting their mother, Mrs. Carl Phillips, here a few days.

PLAN CAMP MEET
Plans are being formulated for an annual camp meeting of the southern Nevada Holiness association, to be held in Vegas Verde.

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