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## SENATE VOTES FULL POWER TO PRESIDENT

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### MILK-DRINKING SHIPYARD WORKERS OF SEATTLE SET RECORD FOR BEER BIBBLERS OF EAST COAST



Color cartoon by Slaymaker. Photo by Webster & Stevens, Times Staff Photographers.

### TELEGRAPH, TELEPHONE AND CABLE LINES MAY SOON BE IN HANDS OF GOVERNMENT

Wilson Expected to Take Advantage of Law in Near Future—Measure Goes Through Intact Despite Efforts at Amendment.

(For Editorial Comment See Page 5)  
WASHINGTON, Saturday, July 13.—By a vote of 46 to 16 the Senate tonight passed the House resolution empowering the President to take over telegraph, telephone, wireless and cable systems.

The resolution passed unamended and is now ready for the President's signature. With adoption of the wire control measure, it was predicted by congressional leaders that the President would lose no time in taking over the lines. Millions of miles of wire, thousands of men and millions of dollars are involved in the proposed action.

Postmaster General Burleson, in whose hands control may be placed, would keep the present wire organization more or less intact, devoting an operating organization similar in principle to that now running the railroads under federal control.

There has been strong inclination this week, however, that the President would place operation of the lines in the hands of the Signal Corps.

Immediately after the passage of the bill, the Senate accepted a unanimous agreement to hold the measure in abeyance from now until August 25.

Amendments Voted Down.—Efforts by Senator Watson of Indiana and Senator Reed of Missouri to exempt the press wires from the operation of the law were defeated, the first by a vote of 23 to 21 and the second by 23 to 21 and again by 22 to 27.

Under Strict Rule.—"Under this agreement," he said, "we will be unable to do anything to matter what the emergency and when we come back we will be in a straight-jacket for prohibition must arbitrarily take precedence over everything else."

### BASTILLE DAY TO BE OBSERVED IN SEATTLE TODAY

Queen City Prepares Elaborate Program for Celebration of French Independence.

Seattle today will celebrate the Fall of the Bastille, when independence was born in heroic France.

Never before in the history of Seattle has the French national holiday received such widespread attention as it is today. A parade and a picnic, in which Americans hold the French people will be shown in an elaborate parade to be held in the downtown streets at a huge mass meeting to follow at the Masonic Temple, Harvard Avenue and Pine Street, and in a display of the Tri-Color besides the Stars and Stripes in homes and office buildings.

To Represent Uncle Sam.—J. K. Witherspoon will pose on the float as Uncle Sam and at his side will stand A. C. Gullax, representing France. She will be garbed in immaculate white, symbolizing the purity of the cause for which France is bleeding.

Autos for Veterans.—Three automobiles have been provided for veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic and one car for past department commanders of the United States War Veterans.

### BEER FORGOTTEN; SEATTLE MAKING RECORD ON MILK

"Boy, Howdy," Shout 10,000 Shipyard Workers, as They Wash Down Hearty Lunches.

"Boy, howdy!" Up go 10,000 bottles to parched throats and another record is smashed by the shipyard workers of Seattle. This time it's the milk and ice cream consumption score that is knocked over the board.

### HOT FIGHT EXPECTED WHEN WAR-TAX MEASURE COMES UP IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Saturday, July 13.—The present week has witnessed the first dip by the ways and means committee into the details of war revenue legislation. The treasury's suggestive list of luxuries and near-luxuries that might properly be made the subjects of tax and increased tax has provoked wide comment, much of it unfavorable. This is the beginning of the controversy that will rage over details the moment the committee gets its work of drafting a bill well in hand.

#### MR. JERMANE'S DISPATCH

Human Nature, That's All.—There is nothing unpatriotic about this. It is merely an outcropping of the deeply imbedded selfishness in human nature that accounts for the end seat "hog" in the street cars and for the automobilist who persistently throws his high lights into the face of the automobilist approaching him.

#### STARTS IN THE TIMES TOMORROW

EDWARD A. RUMELY, SUPERMAN  
The detailed story of the life and career of the American who bought The New York Evening Mail.

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