

W. U. INDICTED IN WASHINGTON

Is Charged by Federal Grand Jury With 42 Violations of Bucket Shop Law of March, 1909.

IT AIDED AND ABETTED CONDUCT OF BUCKET SHOPS

By the Use of Telegraph Wire and Ticker, the Indictment Alleges, Company Helped Break the Law.

Washington, June 10.—The federal grand jury today returned an indictment against the Western Union Telegraph company, charging it with 42 violations of the bucket shop law of March, 1909.

RAILROAD GATES A TRAP OF DEATH

A Funeral Party, Caught on Railroad Tracks, Killed by a Freight Locomotive.

Haverstraw, N. Y., June 10.—Three mourners, their pastor and their driver sat in a funeral coach here yesterday afternoon and watched certain death come rushing on them at 50 miles an hour.

A Dramatic Horror. The accident was not only unusual but dramatic and thrilling to a degree. It happened at the foot of Graveyard hill in full sight of the returning funeral procession.

A Death Trap. Just what happened will probably never be known, but some eye witnesses say that the arms of the crossing gates, late in descending, blocked the coach after it had crossed the first of two tracks and held it a prisoner on the rails.

The driver lashed his horses in a futile attempt to force the vehicle from the track until, with a sharp crack the picture dissipated and it seemed as if the coach literally blew up.

Finland Bill Is Passed. St. Petersburg, June 10.—The duma today passed the Finnish bill, giving that body authority over the Finnish diet.

MR. HARRISON'S TEMPER ROUSED

The Incident of Mr. Taft's Refusal to See Him Was to Have Been Kept Quiet, but He, Angry, Talked.

"ASSISTANT PRESIDENT" MADE THE ENGAGEMENT

It Was Embarrassing, All Around—Both Sides Give Their Versions of Yesterday's Affair.

Washington, June 10.—Representative Francis Burton Harrison of New York, snubbed by President Taft at the White House yesterday, when asked if he would give further expression regarding Mr. Taft's treatment of him, said that as far as he was concerned the incident was closed and he did not bear personal resentment.

It Was to Be Kept Quiet. Secretary Norton was at first unwilling to discuss the incident in any way. Later when he was informed of the positive statements made by Mr. Harrison, he told the story of what happened. He declared that the president had no purpose of publicly humiliating the congressman, as had been charged, and that nothing would have been said regarding the affair if Mr. Harrison himself had not made the matter public.

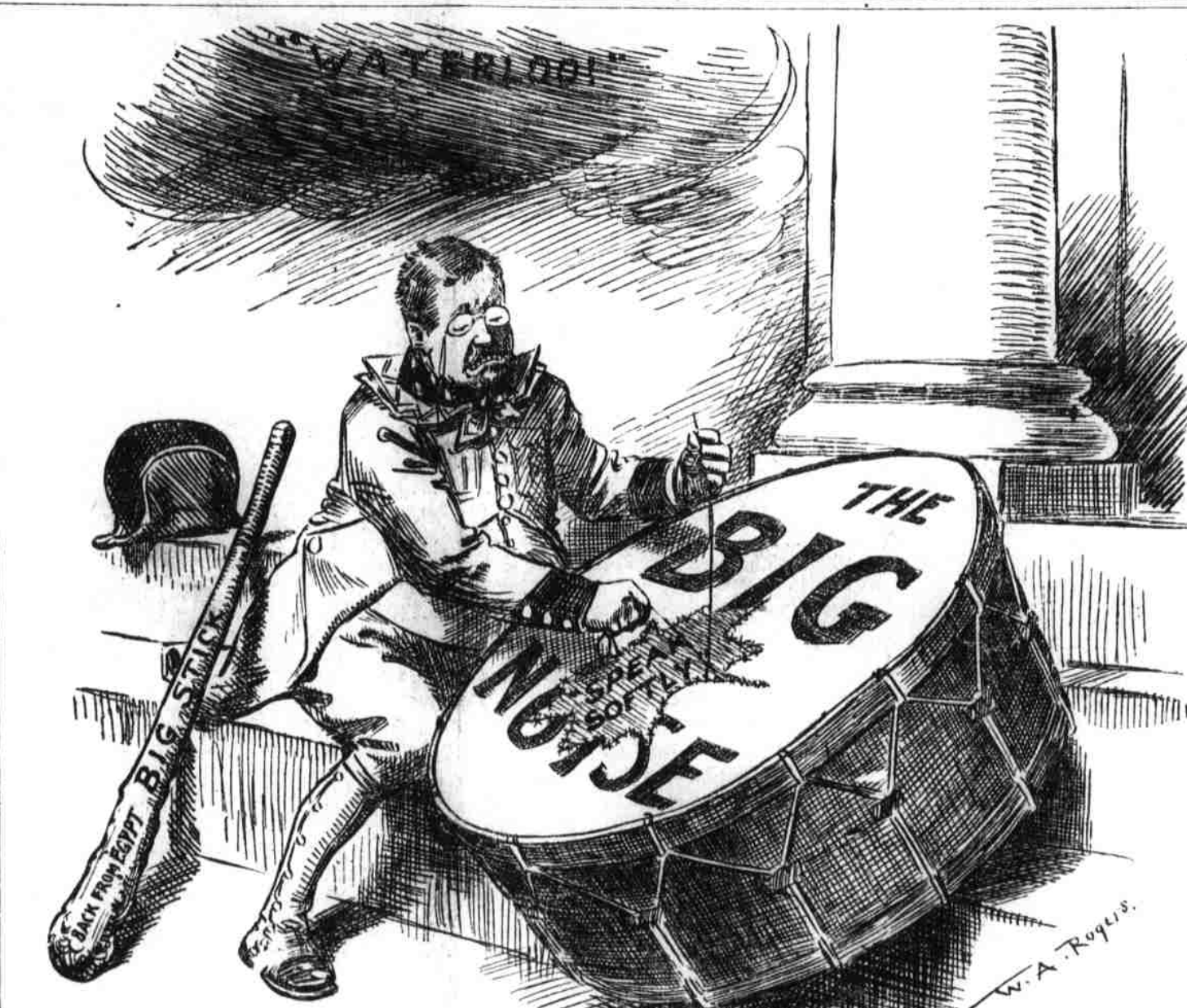
Secretary Norton thereupon invited Mr. Harrison into his office, saying he had some affairs to discuss with him. Meantime he had the party shown into the president's office at the appointed hour and asked Mr. Goldfogle to introduce the callers in Mr. Harrison's absence. It was the first time Mr. Norton had ever met Mr. Harrison, and when the two were alone, the secretary said he was extremely sorry that the first meeting should be the occasion of a disagreeable duty.

Norton Made the Engagement. Mr. Norton declared that the president himself had no previous knowledge that Mr. Harrison was to be one of his callers. The engagement had been made in the routine way some days ago through the secretary's office.

CONDITION STILL CRITICAL

Young Man Who Was Assaulted at Hominy Saturday Has But Little Chance to Recover.

Special to The Gazette-News. Hominy, June 10.—The condition of Jack Brown, the young man of Chicago, who was struck on the head with a stone here last Saturday, is still very critical. His chances of recovery are said to be about one in a hundred.



TRYING TO MEND THE BIG BREAK

COTTON MILL MEN IN CONVENTION

Annual Meeting of Cotton Manufacturers of Palmetto State Convenes in Hendersonville.

PROGRAM OF ENTERTAINMENT IS ARRANGED BY CITIZENS

The Hotel Gates, Where the Meeting Is Held, Elaborately Decorated For the Occasion.

Gazette-News Bureau, Hotel Gates, Hendersonville, June 10.

The Hotel Gates, decorated especially for the occasion, now houses the cotton manufacturers of South Carolina, in annual summer convention. About 150 cotton mill men are here. The meetings will last through tomorrow and many will remain over Sunday.

Hendersonville has made preparations for the conference and royal entertainment will be given the delegates. Several entertainments of a social nature will be given the mill men while in the town.

THE CHARLES HEIKE CASE WENT TO THE JURY TODAY

New York, June 10.—The case of Charles E. Heike, former secretary of the American Sugar Refining company, and his two former subordinates, charged with conspiracy to defraud the government by means of sugar underweights, was given to the jury this morning.

THE WEATHER

For Asheville and vicinity: Threatening weather, with possibly thunder showers, tonight or Saturday.

Battle for Millions Is Begun in Court

Attempt to Set Aside the Will of Hart, the Self-Expatiated Virginia, Who Died Worth \$2,000,000, Is Being Made in the Supreme Court of New York.

New York June 10.—A legal battle for the \$2,000,000 estate left by Benjamin Hart, the self-expatriated Virginian, who died in Paris two years ago, began today before Justice Greenbaum in the Supreme court. The action is brought by the executor and trustee to have Hart's will declared valid.

Opposed to them are Mme. Josephine Lucchesi, Isabel Hart Guillemain, Hart's adopted daughter, and the wife of Jean Guillemain, French minister to Peru, and Mrs. Estelle Kilty Hart, the divorced wife of the old Virginian.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

All the Republicans and 24 Democrats Voted for Majority Measure on Final Roll Call.

Washington, June 10.—By the overwhelming majority of 195 to 101 the house last night passed the postal savings bank bill as recently agreed upon by the republican caucus of the house. Not a single republican voted against the measure on the final roll call.

HUNTER OF BIG BEASTS BOARDS SHIP FOR HOME

The Vessel Is Due at Quarantine, New York, June 17, and He'll Land the Next Day.

Southampton, June 10.—Former President Roosevelt is homeward bound today. Accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt, Kermit, Miss Ethel and Mrs. Longworth, he sailed on the Hamburg-American line steamer Kaiserin Auguste Victoria, shortly before noon.

SOLDIERS OF ECUADOR FIGHTING YELLOW JACK

Dread Disease Breaks Out in Army Which Advanced to Fight Peruvians.

Washington, June 10.—Yellow fever has broken out in the Ecuadorean army, now being withdrawn from the Peruvian frontier.

A MOUNTAIN ROAD TO BE SURVEYED

Proposed Highway from Alta Pass to Asheville Discussed by Roads Association.

THIRTY-ONE MILES OF ROAD ARE KEPT IN GOOD REPAIR

Work of Placing Signs and Mileposts Will Now Begin—Various Association Affairs.

At a meeting of the directors of the Asheville and Buncombe County Good Roads Association held yesterday afternoon at the City hall, many interesting reports were submitted and other business attended to.

THE CALIPH WINS THE RACE

Atlantic City, June 10.—The Caliph of the Ventnor (N. J.) Yacht club won the Havana-Atlantic City race for cruising motor boats.

YOUTH HANGS HIMSELF "FOR LOVE"

Amsterdam, N. Y., June 10.—Dependent over a love affair, Edward Putnam, aged 17, hanged himself to a tree near here today.

EXPECTATIONS NOT SATISFIED

Democrats and Insurgents Believe Something Like a Confession as to Tariff Bill Has Been Made.

\$250,000 IS ASKED FOR TO AID IN CARRYING IT OUT

House Prepared to Wage Another Fight on the Deficiency Appropriation for President's Travel Expenses.

Washington, June 10.—When the senate met today it was understood that the tariff question would be discussed in connection with the \$250,000 appropriation in the sundry civil bill to pay the expenses of collecting information for the use of President Taft in administering the Payne tariff law.

Democratic and insurgent senators believe the request for the appropriation is a confession that the Payne bill has not met expectations.

Another Fight in the House. Several democratic members of the house are prepared to wage another fight against the deficiency appropriation to defray President Taft's traveling expenses for the present fiscal year. Considerable dissatisfaction is expressed with the senate's action in adopting the amendment to the sundry civil bill making available for the present year \$25,000 to be appropriated for the coming fiscal year.

GENERAL DEFICIENCY BILL

The general deficiency bill, carrying \$5,736,573, is reported to the house. The largest individual amounts are for naval and military estimates and the postal service.

SPECIAL SESSION CALL REVOKED BY GOVERNOR

Bids for Bonds Opened at Noon—99 Bids Filed, for \$435,000 More Than Was Required.

Gazette-News Bureau, Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Hoieman Building, Raleigh, June 10.

Bids for the issue of state bonds were opened today at noon. There were 99 bids filed, calling for \$2,556,000 of bonds, being \$435,000 in excess of the amount required.

PROMINENT MEN INVOLVED IN MAMMOTH COTTON STEAL

Memphis Paper Says Cotton to Value of \$100,000 Has Been Stolen From the Railroads.

Memphis, June 10.—According to a local paper, evidence tending to show that more than \$100,000 worth of cotton was stolen from the railroads during the season of 1908-09 is now in possession of the grand jury.

YUCATAN SOLDIERS IN FIGHT WITH REBELLIOUS INDIANS

After Two Encounters the Latter Fleo in Disorder Toward Yucatan, and Several Are Caught.

Merida, Yucatan, June 10.—Government troops had their first encounter with the rebellious Indians Tuesday near Yucatan, a short distance from Valladolid, according to information received last night. The result was a victory for the federal troops.

The Indians opened a fierce fire and the troops were forced to seek a better position. After another engagement the Indians again retreated, leaving in the trenches pools of blood but carrying their wounded with them. They fled in disorder toward Yucatan pursued by the troops, who captured several of the wounded. Fearing an ambush, the reconnoitering party returned to the main body of troops.