

TO BREAK RULE OF OLIGARCHY IN THE SENATE

Kern Presents to Democratic Caucus Plan to End Legislative Control by Chairmen.

TILLMAN DECIDES TO ABANDON FIGHT

Dill Not Contest the Selection of Martin to Head the Appropriation Body in Senate.

By Associated Press. Washington, March 15.—Senator Tillman had decided not to prolong his fight for chairmanship of the appropriations committee when the senate caucus met today to approve the committee assignments made by the "steering" committee.

The steering committee of nine, headed by Senator Kern, democratic leader, was prepared to present the full democratic committee lists to the party conference when it assembled.

Two Committees Advanced. The democratic determined to take the committee of woman suffrage out of the minority lists and make it a majority committee, with Senator Thomas of Colorado as chairman.

Revolutionary Changes. "We propose that this great body shall be democratic not only in name but in practical reality," said Senator Kern, "and that the charge so often made that it is controlled by a few men through committee organization and otherwise shall no longer have any basis in fact."

DIES OF PELLAGRA. Death of L. A. Moore of Forest City, While Sudden, Was Not Unexpected. Special to The Gazette-News.

Forest City, March 15.—L. A. Moore died at his home on West Main street yesterday at 10 o'clock of pellagra. Mr. Moore had recently returned from the hospital at Rutherfordton where he had been undergoing a treatment. His death was sudden but not unexpected.

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WHO'LL BE CHOSEN GOVERNOR NEXT?

It Is a Long Time off, but Various Statesmen Are Already Mentioned.

Special to The Gazette-News. Raleigh, March 15.—Discussion of probable candidates for governor, although a bit premature, has nevertheless been in progress during the past few weeks, and politicians coming to Raleigh are venturing suggestions as to some of the men who may enter the race in 1916.

Friends of A. W. McLean of Lumberton, who was one of Woodrow Wilson's main guns in the campaign, and who did a man's part by Senator Simmons, say he would have a mighty good chance of landing the nomination.

Another name mentioned is that of Col. J. Bryan Grimes, secretary of state. He has revolutionized the office since he assumed the duties and has improved it to such an extent that persons can find anything they want. He has brought brains and system to the office.

Congressman R. N. Page, who is getting to be known as the watchdog of the treasury, may also take a flier, if his friends can persuade him to do so. Like all the other members of the Page family he has brains and courage and is a mighty popular man.

Charles R. Thomas of Newbern, who relinquished his position in congress, may also enter the contest. Mr. Thomas' constituents appreciate his services and they may insist on putting him to the front.

Selection of Judges. Governor Craig said today that he had not indicated his selection for judge of the fourth additional district created by the general assembly and that he had not decided on who he would appoint as solicitors.

CHILD LABOR BODY CHAMPIONS NEILL

Fight over Labor Commissioner's Confirmation Regarded as Test between "Senate Reactionaries" and the White House, at Jacksonville Meeting. By Associated Press.

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OLNEY TURNS DOWN EMBASSY

Cleveland's Secretary of State Declines to Accept Wilson's Tender of London Post.

'PERSONAL REASONS' INFLUENCED DECISION

President May Now Tender the Position to President Emeritus Eliot of Harvard University.

Washington, March 15.—Richard Olney of Boston, to whom President Wilson offered the post of ambassador to Great Britain, has declined. His letter of refusal was received at the White House today.

Mr. Olney's letter was said to be of a confidential nature. It was not made public. Secretary Taft, however, announced that Mr. Olney had declined "for family reasons."

Speculation as to who might be chosen ambassador to Great Britain began immediately on the announcement of Mr. Olney's declination. It was pointed out that beside Mr. Olney, President Wilson had had in mind Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard, but had offered Mr. Olney the place because of his conspicuous record in the democratic party.

Lee B. Middleton's Daughter in Runaway Match with Motor Car Lochinvar. Washington, March 15.—The old story of a jangling chauffeur, a pretty heiress and a runaway match was repeated today and as a result, Mrs. Anna Middleton, wealthy and prominent in society, is prostrated while her daughter, now Mrs. William P. Story, says defiantly that she "doesn't care what people say."

WASHINGTON HEIRESS AND CHAUFFEUR WED

Story's employer, C. H. Butler, official reporter for the Supreme court, lived two doors from the Middleton home and Story met Miss Middleton while calling for him. The acquaintance ripened rapidly and December 17 last Miss Middleton and Story whirled off to Alexandria, Va., and were married. On their return Mrs. Story went to her mother's home and the marriage did not become known until today.

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BANKER ADMITS LOSING \$200,000 STOCK GAMBLING

Critically Ill, He Tells Detectives He Couldn't Resist Lure of "Easy Money"

IS DEVELOPING PLAN TO OFFER PRESIDENT

A Special Commission to Make Thorough Investigation of the Department's Business.

San Francisco, March 15.—Charles A. Baker, former assistant cashier of the Crocker National bank, admitted today that he was guilty as charged of embezzlements from the bank that are estimated at \$200,000.

Two guards from the United States marshal's office sat at his bedside while Baker, who is critically ill at his home, whispered the story of his downfall.

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URGING BRYAN TO TEACH BIBLE CLASS AT CAPITAL

Clergymen Hope to Form Great Inter-Denominational Organization at Washington. Washington, March 15.—Fifty clergymen of every denomination and headed by the Rev. Herman S. Pinkham of the Emmanuel Baptist church will call at the state department late today and urge Secretary Bryan to take the leadership of what they hope will prove the greatest inter-denominational Bible class in the world.

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MERIT SYSTEM TO BE APPLIED

So Declares Postmaster General Burleson—Best Man in Community for Job to Have Postoffice.

PRESIDENT IS SOON TO DEFINE POLICIES

Next Week, Proclamation Will Be Issued for Extra Session.

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FIREBUG TO FACE MURDER CHARGE

Confession May Fix the Responsibility for Four Deaths in Chicago.

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