

## WOULD IGNORE MR. TOWNSEND

### Senators Will Pass by Michigan Man's Reflections on Wilson, It Is Assorted.

### NOTHING SPECIFIC, IT IS POINTED OUT

### Next Week the Investigators Will Begin Quizzing Representatives of "Special Interests."

Washington, June 7.—Senators on the lobby investigating committee were of the opinion today that Senator Townsend's sensational charge that President Wilson himself virtually had been lobbying for the tariff bill, would not be taken up by the committee as an issue unless some specific charges were made.

"President Wilson will be welcome before the committee if he wishes to appear," said acting Chairman Reed today, "but I see no reason why he should deny charges that never have been made."

Democratic members took the position that it remained for republicans to pursue inquiries as to whether President Wilson had used "undue influence" with any democratic senators and insisted that the statements by Senators Townsend, Weeks and Warren had been of a general character. Senators Nelson and Cummins, the republican members of the committee, had no plans to day for following up that line of inquiry.

"I intend however, to insist before the hearings are over," said Senator Cummins, "that President Wilson furnish the committee as to 'insidious lobbying' in Washington."

The committee was in recess today preparing for its next week's work, which will not only finish the testimony of the dozen senators yet unexamined, but will begin questioning the score or more of men whose names have been brought out in testimony as having represented special interests in Washington.

White House officials protested to be undisturbed by Mr. Townsend's charge and it was said the president would not take the stand to make a personal answer unless some specific charge was made against him. Officials declared Mr. Wilson was confident that the people of the country would take the position that he was representing them in Washington and had the right to use all his influence to further legislation promised in the democratic platform. It was denied that the "patronage club" had been welded to keep senators in line.

### Committee Work Delayed.

Two of the senate finance sub-committees working on the tariff bill failed to complete their work today and Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, has been compelled to withhold a call for the full committee meeting.

Senator Johnson's sub-committee is still considering the paper and sundries schedules and Senator Williams' sub-committee has not settled upon the administration features or the income tax section of the bill. These committees may be able to complete their work Tuesday.

Senator Williams' committee is considering eliminating the anti-dumping clause of the Underwood bill on the ground that it might precipitate retaliatory tariffs by foreign nations.

Under the instructions of the court the jury was obliged to pass on the guilt or innocence of the defendants on each of five separate counts in the indictments, this virtually amounting to fifteen separate verdicts.

Reports from the jury room this morning were that the jury was pretty evenly divided, but whether this division applied to all or part of the defendants could not be learned.

Wood, Atteaux and Collins were indicted for alleged conspiracy to "black dynamite at Lawrence to discredit the textile strikers during the industrial troubles of 1912.

## NAMES COMMISSION

Special to The Gazette-News. Raleigh, June 7.—Before leaving today for Asheville, Governor Craig announced the commission of Confederate veterans authorized by the general assembly to commemorate the services of Confederate soldiers at the battle of Gettysburg. They are: J. A. Long, Roxboro, Cyrus R. Watson, Winston-Salem; Maj. D. C. Waddell, Greensboro; W. Frank Utley, Apex; Judge W. A. Montgomery, Raleigh.

Judge Montgomery's sketch of battle is considered the best article written on that subject.

The Salem Manufacturing company of Winston-Salem was chartered today to manufacture machinery, the authorized capital being \$300,000 with \$25,000 subscribed by W. E. Martin and others.

### Has Slept Four Days.

By Associated Press. Ladoga, Ind., June 7.—Miss Merrile F. Stimmerman entered today upon her fourth day of uninterrupted sleep. Only once in the period has she opened her eyes, and then apparently recognized no one. Her case is attracting much interest here, particularly because her mother, now dead, frequently suffered similar lapses.

## AMERICAN TEAM GOES STRONG AFTER SERIES

### May Enter Next Round of International Contest—Showers Forecast.

By Associated Press. New York, June 7.—Showers forecast for today threatened to interfere with the second day's play of the tennis matches between the Australian and American preliminary to the challenge for the Davis cup. Only a down-pour, however, will cause the postponement as the courts at the West Side Tennis club are protected by a tarpaulin covering.

McLoughlin's smashing service, with the high bounding ball, which proved such a terror to Rice yesterday, is expected by the American enthusiasts to continue a great factor in the remaining games and many have already made up their minds that the American team is certain to win the series and thus enter the next round in the international elimination contest to determine who shall play England for the Dwight L. Davis trophy.

Experts among the several thousands of spectators at yesterday's match agreed disparity of service was the most conspicuous feature of the game. McLoughlin's serve had the true "American twist" carried to its most aggressive point, which it seemed would win from Rice had it been from any other point of play. At no time in three sets did he gauge McLoughlin's delivery correctly. The Californian made a dozen or more clean aces on service and fully a score of other deliveries simply slid sidewise off Rice's racket from sheer speed.

R. Norris Williams, the Harvard player, winning from Doust, captain of the antipodan invader, in a four set match yesterday, served nearly as well as McLoughlin at times, although true, seeming nervous, he was guilty of several double faults.

Williams timed his strokes exceedingly well. He vollied when Doust was out of position and some times even half vollied to save the precious fractions of a second that meant getting the ball out of the other's grasp before he could get into court.

Although doubles play was generally thought to be the stronghold of the visitors the admirers of the American team hoped to see these taken today which would clinch the victory.

## STOLE NEARLY \$1,500,000 AND IS FOUND "NOT GUILTY"

### Full Restitution Had Been Made, and Immunity Was Part of the Contract.

Philadelphia, June 7.—An indictment charging Walter S. Shourds, former superintendent of the safe deposit vaults of the Merchants Union Trust company, with the theft of nearly a million and a half dollars in cash and securities, was ordered submitted to a jury yesterday for a verdict of "not guilty." Counsel for the company explained that full restitution had been made by Shourds.

Shourds was indicted in September 1911 when officials of the Trust company reported he was missing and that a shortage of between \$25,000 and \$30,000 had been discovered.

Subsequently it was discovered in addition to this \$1,400,000 in securities were missing from the strong box of George W. Burnham, Jr., a director of the company. Shourds is said to have opened negotiations with the bank officials by means of advertisements in newspaper and when assured that he would not be prosecuted if the money and securities were surrendered he returned.

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## GETS \$15,000 ALIMONY

### Mrs. Blanche Heye's Demand Scaled down from \$75,000 by Court.

By Associated Press. New York, June 7.—Fifteen thousand dollars a year alimony instead of the \$75,000 she requested, was awarded by Supreme Court Justice Aspinall today to Mrs. Blanche Heye, who is suing her husband, George G. Heye, a New York banker, for absolute divorce. The amount is to be paid pending trial of the suit.

## Mattamuskeet Drainage Bonds Sold.

Washington, N. C., June 7.—The \$500,000 bonds of the Southern Land and Reclamation company, which intends to drain Mattamuskeet lake, have been sold at Columbia, O., to a bonding company in that city. The Southern Land and Reclamation company plans to drain Mattamuskeet lake in Hyde county and reclaim for agricultural purposes the bed of the lake, which is 13 miles long and seven miles wide, and contains a total of 125,000 acres that will be transferred into farm lands. The company will dig a canal to the sound and pump the water from the lake. The sale of the bonds and the draining of the lake will mean the building of a railroad into Hyde county.

## COLLEGE HEADS GIVE EVIDENCE

### Dr. Judson Suggests Training to Increase the Earning Power of the Semi-Efficient.

### MOST COLLEGE MEN EARN MONEY QUICKLY

### And Most "Sweet Girl Graduates" Wed, He Says—Minimum Wage Is Opposed.

Chicago, June 7.—Most college graduates enter business and soon thereafter are financially able to marry and most of the "sweet girl graduates" wed, I am happy to say, testified Harry Pratt Judson, president of the University of Chicago, before the Illinois senate committee inquiring into the relation of low wages to vice today.

Asked whether he thought the law should provide a minimum wage for minimum efficiency, Mr. Judson replied that the efficient man could earn more than the law could provide, that industrial training might be provided for the semi-efficient, but for the efficient Mr. Judson had no remedy.

Men who are fitted for bank work are not the kind who would marry unless they could afford it, according to W. T. Abbott, vice-president of the Central Trust company. He believed a man could marry on \$1000 a year. He thought the establishment of that minimum wage in a bank would destroy efficiency.

A. W. Harris, the third witness and president of Northwestern university, said he believed it the duty of every community to see that the girl thrown on her own resources was able to live respectably.

## BELIEVES JUDGE CLARK TO BE A REACTIONARY

### Col. Pearsall Pained—How Does Judge Stand on the Recall of Umpires?

Special to The Gazette-News. Raleigh, June 7.—Col. Patrick Murphy Pearsall of Newbern and Chief Justice Walter Clark have locked controversial horns over the question, "What is a Progressive?" The other day Colonel Pearsall gave out an interview in which he said that he was not only in favor of the initiative and referendum, the election of postmasters by the people, but was also in favor of electing street car and railway conductors by the people. The colonel would extend the franchise to women and children over six years of age, especially in view of the fact that children ride on street cars and trains and come in frequent contact with these ticket-takers.

Judge Clark came back at Col. Pearsall and objected to what he seemed to think was an attempt at humor on the part of the Newbern man. The judge thought that Col. Pearsall was comparing the intelligence of children over six years of age with that of adult women, and proceeded to deliver a lecture.

Colonel Pearsall returned gallantly to the attack, his opening sentence being that he thought Judge Clark a reactionary. As to his position in the matter of electing street car and railway conductors, the colonel was clearly surprised to find an opponent in the chief justice and said so.

"I am a progressive," declared Colonel Pearsall. "While I have not made up my mind as to the wisdom of the recall of judges, I am heartily in favor of a provision in our constitution for the recall of baseball umpires. I wonder if Judge Clark has progressed far enough to be with me on that point?"

Colonel Pearsall said that in these days of mixed politics and new parties, it was hard to determine who were genuine progressives. He thought Judge Clark was all wool and a yard wide when it came to improved, modern ideas, but he said he was disappointed at the tenor of the judge's letter.

## BIBLE CONFERENCE BEGINS TOMORROW

### At First Baptist Church With Sermon at 11 a. m. by Rev. Arch C. Cree, D. D.

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## CHESTERSON IS FOUND GUILTY

### Man Who Accused Isaacs with Corruption in Connection With Marconi Contracts Fined.

### NARROWLY ESCAPES SENTENCE TO JAIL

### Judge Excoriates Brother of Noted Writer in Sentencing Him for Criminal Libel.

London, June 7.—A verdict of guilty was returned against Cecil Chesterton, a brother of G. K. Chesterton, the author, at the Central Criminal court today on a charge of criminal libel. He had charged Geoffrey Isaacs, managing director of the Marconi company, with corruption in the British wireless contracts. Some of the most prominent lawyers in England were engaged in the case.

Chesterton was fined £500, and all the costs of the prosecution, which will be exceedingly heavy as the trial lasted 10 days. He is to be kept in prison until his fine has been paid.

On sentencing the defendant, the judge said that when he considered the cruelty of Chesterton's conduct and how he might have rendered Mr. Isaacs a beggar by driving him from his employment, it was extremely difficult to refrain from sending Chesterton to prison. The jury's verdict, the judge added, was a complete vindication of the prosecutor's honor.

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## ENGLISH PRESS PRAISES AMBASSADOR W.H. PAGE

### Envoy's Speech at Pilgrim Society Banquet Gets Favorable Comment.

London, June 7.—Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to the Court of St. James, is complimented in editorials appearing in the evening newspapers today on his first speech in England, made last night at the banquet given in his honor by the Pilgrim Society. The writers express pleasure that he devoted his speech to commenting the bonds of friendship between the two countries.

The Westminster Gazette says: "Ambassador Page's speech showed that the United States has succeeded in sending an ambassador who is more than capable of maintaining their traditional reputation of his public speaking. Nothing could have been happier than the note he struck in this first public utterance."

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "We cannot too cordially reciprocate Ambassador Page's pleasant words."

The Evening Standard says: "It is good to see the power of the friendly feeling existing between the two nations thus recognized."

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## BLAST IN MINE KILLS SCORES

### Twenty-Five Bodies Are Removed from Burning Coal Shaft Near Shamokin, Pa.

### THOSE STILL IN PIT POSSIBLY NUMBER 50

### Eight Taken Out Alive, but Are Badly Burned—Most of Victims Aliens.

Shamokin, Pa., June 7.—An explosion occurred today in the Scott shaft of the Susquehanna Coal company's mine, four miles from here. It is said that from 80 to 100 anthracite mine workers were in the mine. The slope of the mine is on fire. Six men, badly burned, were taken out. The men in the mine are principally foreign speaking workmen.

Up to 1:15 a. m. the bodies of 25 dead miners had been removed from the burning slope. Eight men suffering from severe burns had also been removed. Officials of the company estimate that from 25 to 50 men are still in the slope.

## COLLECTOR B.F. KEITH IS TO LOSE HIS HEAD

### Wilmington Port Collector Displayed Too Much Activity in Politics.

Washington, June 7. Because he has displayed too much activity in politics in that he, without consulting any Democratic senator or congressman made recommendations for collectors for the port of entry at New Bern, Beaufort, Elizabeth City and Manteo, B. F. Keith, collector of the port at Wilmington, will in all probability be removed from office within the next 30 days. It is certain that Senator Simmons, acting congressman Godwin and Senator Lee will recommend each action to President Wilson and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, when the secretary returns to Washington next week.

It is known that none of the recommendations for appointment made by Collector Keith are agreeable to Senator Simmons and Congressman Small and Godwin. It is said that Keith has overstepped all propriety as a federal office holder in recommending Godwin and Small, the home town of the senior senator, without even asking Mr. Simmons if his recommendations would be agreeable to the senior senator.

Because the above information was given your correspondent in confidence by those acting for the Democratic party here the story was not sent out last night as was the case with at least one other North Carolina Washington correspondent. I was assured that the story should not and would not be printed until formal charges had been made against Keith.

For this reason I allowed myself to be "scorped" on a story that I had had for several days, but acting in good faith with those who gave me the story, I refused to break "faith."

Senator Simmons said last night that the charge that President Wilson had tried to influence senators on tariff legislation was not true. He said that it was true, as most senators know, that Mr. Wilson had very pronounced views as to sugar and wool. He did not in any way, however, try to use his power as president to influence senators in their views upon the tariff.

The sub-committees of the senate finance committee will report the tariff bill to the majority committee Monday morning and probably, by bringing the measure before the full committee.

It can be stated with some degree of accuracy that the bill when it goes upon the floor of the senate, will contain a little reduction on the tariff, averaging a little lower duty than those reported by the house. There will be no delay, once the bill is before the upper branch of congress, Senator Simmons and his followers will see to it that the bill is rushed to a speedy passage.

## Train Wreck Claims Third Victim.

Special to The Gazette-News. Sanford, June 7.—The wreck of mixed freight and passenger train No. 10 of the Raleigh, Charlotte and Southern railway at Deep River bridge near Cummock, Tuesday evening claimed its third victim yesterday when Engineer R. C. Blalock of the ill-fated train passed away at the Central Carolina hospital here. Baggage-master Stewart, it will be recalled, was killed at the time of the accident, while George Blalock, a brother of the engineer who was injured when the train went through the trestle, died at the hospital here Wednesday evening. Conductor Beacham was frightfully scalded and bruised and is now lying at the point of death in the local hospital.

## WOOL IS FREED; BRIBERY CHARGE

### ONE-MAN FILIBUSTER WORRYING THE SENATE

### Jones Will Have Clerks for Minority Members or Know Why.

By Associated Press. Washington, June 7.—Members of the senate, fearing that the one-man filibuster inaugurated by Senator Jones of Washington, may delay the work of that branch of congress, labored with him today to abandon it. The Washington senator is filibustering in protest against the refusal of the democratic caucus to grant minority members an additional clerk. He announced his intention today to renew his campaign, when the senate met Tuesday. Threats and cajolery appeared to have little influence on Senator Jones.

He objected yesterday, wherever the constitution, the rules, and the presiding officer permitted, to the technical introduction of bills and resolutions and to the consideration of others.

He resorted five times to the call for a quorum and senators busy with committee work or otherwise engaged, were forced to enter the chamber and record their presence. Members of the "filibuster" committee, striving with a might to finish the schedules assigned to it, recessed again and again.

Most of the senate is taking the filibuster philosophically, although the majority "whip," Senator J. Hamilton Lewis is unhappy and overworked in his role of the dove of peace.

## BRITISH VICE CONSULS RECALL IS PETITIONED

### British Residents of Southern California Ask That Mortimer Be Deposed.

Los Angeles, June 7.—British residents of southern California began a movement for the recall of C. Mortimer, British vice-consul in Los Angeles, as a sequel to the Empire day disaster at Long Beach, which cost 28 lives through the collapse of a pier. A petition requesting the removal of the vice-consul was drafted at a meeting of the Empire Day celebration committee and will be forwarded to Sir Edward Grey, head of the foreign office in London.

It alleges general inefficiency but specifically charges that the vice-consul took no part in the celebration during the inquiry of the victims he was not present and took no part in the efforts to place the responsibility for the accident.

Mr. Mortimer declined to comment on the effort to remove him.

## MRS. R. C. STRUDWICK

### Greensboro Lady Becomes Suddenly Ill on Way to Depot, and Dies Shortly After.

June 7. Taken violently ill on the way to the depot to meet a friend who was coming in to visit her, Mrs. Sallie Patterson Strudwick, wife of ex-Judge R. C. Strudwick, died yesterday afternoon suddenly at the 6 o'clock. Her little girl was the only person with her.

Mrs. Strudwick had just left her beautiful home on South Mountain street when she was taken suddenly ill. She was carried home immediately, but in spite of every effort to save her she passed away just as she reached her home.

Mrs. Strudwick was Miss Sallie Patterson Lewis of Scottsville, La. She was born May 19, 1861, and was married May 16, 1884. She had always been very strong until the winter of 1912 when her health began to somewhat fail.

In the spring of 1912 she had a severe attack of heart trouble, but had in a measure regained her health. Last week she had been complaining a little, but was much better yesterday morning. Then on her way to meet the afternoon train on which a friend was coming to visit her, she was seriously affected and reached home with great difficulty, dying almost immediately, notwithstanding all that could be done for her.

Mrs. Strudwick is survived by her husband and three children, Fred Nash Strudwick, Mary Burrell Strudwick and Roberta Burrell Strudwick. She was a member of the First Presbyterian church of this city, has been a Christian since early childhood, and was a most estimable and beloved woman. A host of friends offered their sympathies to the bereaved family last night.

## Gompers Passed Good Night.

Washington, June 7.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, operated upon for the second time for a mastoid abscess yesterday, was "doing as well as could be expected today," his surgeons said. Mr. Gompers passed a good night.

### Defense Demands Immediate Investigation of Jury Corruption Rumor after His Acquittal.

### DISAGREEMENT RESULT IN ATTEAUX CASE

### Collins Found Guilty on Counts Charging Conspiracy to Injure Strikers and Others.

Boston, June 7.—After deliberating throughout the night a jury today acquitted President William M. Wood of the American Woolen company of the charge of conspiracy to injure the textile strikers at Lawrence by "planting" dynamite. A disagreement in the case of Frederick E. Atteaux was reported. Dennis J. Collins, who turned state's evidence, was found guilty on two counts and not guilty on the other four counts of the indictment.

The first count charged conspiracy to injure the textile strikers and the second count conspiracy to injure unknown persons. The other counts allege conspiracy against certain persons and a plot to damage property.

The case, one of the most sensational that has grown out of a dispute between capital and labor, was given to the jury at noon yesterday. The jurors began their deliberations at three o'clock and when they had failed to report at midnight they were locked up for the night.

Court reconvened at 9:30 o'clock this morning and the jury came in at 10 o'clock.

After the verdict was rendered, Counsel Hurlbert of the defense said: "The newspapers of Boston have been filled with the statement that a juror was approached. While the name of the juror was anonymous, it is generally known through rumors circulated about the court that the juror is myself."

"I am an officer of this court, the charge of attempt to bribe a juror is of the gravest character. The jurors are here and I ask that they be kept while those charges are publicly investigated."

District Attorney Pelletier said that he endorsed everything that Mr. Hurlbert had said. He declared that he did not believe that either Mr. Hurlbert or his client, Mr. Wood, had even the slightest connection with the matter.

Judge Crosby stated that though the usual method of investigating such cases was through the grand jury he saw no objection to a public hearing.

"But," he added, "so far as Mr. Hurlbert is concerned I think an investigation is unnecessary."

After adjournment Wood was surrounded by a crowd of friends, who expressed their delight at his acquittal. Collins was the first to offer congratulations. Atteaux, while showing plainly his disappointment at the jury's failure to acquit him, expressed satisfaction over the outcome of Wood's case.

## GENERAL ORDERS ISSUED FOR G.A.R. ENCAMPMENT

### Commander Beers Issues Call for Sept. 15-20 at Chattanooga.

By Associated Press. Bridgeport, Conn., June 7.—General orders for the forty-seventh national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at Chattanooga, Tenn., September 15 to 20 were issued today by Commander-in-Chief Alfred R. Beers. The fact is emphasized that a national encampment has never before been held so far south, and all veterans are urged to take this opportunity to visit the historic battlefields of Missionary Ridge, Lookout Mountain, Chickamauga, and from Chattanooga to Atlanta.

Attention is called to the Gettysburg reunion, the first day of which July 1, will be "Veterans day" under the direction of the commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., and the commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans.

## LOOT HOUSE OF \$5000

### Robbers Blow Safe on Staten Island, Fire Residence and Escape in Towing Car.

New York, June 7.—In the absence of the family, robbers entered the home of John Besi on Staten Island early today, blew open a safe containing \$5000 in jewels and money, set fire to the house and fled. The residence was wrecked.

Neighbors saw three men step from a black touring car and go into the house, but thought that they were calling on the family. The robbery was not discovered until after the arrival of firemen.