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NOMINATION TO MR. UNDERWOOD

Incomplete Returns From All
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jority Over Hobson.

GOVERNMENTAL RACE CLOSE AND EXCITING

Interesting Congressional Con-
tests—Kitchin Claims
Enough Votes to Get
Leadership.

Birmingham, Ala., April 7.—L. B. Musgrove, campaign manager for Congress-
man Richmond Pearson Hobson, conceded Oscar W. Underwood's nomination to the United States senate in a statement made at 11:30 o'clock this morning. Mr. Hobson left Birmingham today for Washington.

Birmingham, Ala., April 7.—Incomplete returns from practically all of the 67 counties in the state today apparently substantiated early predictions that Oscar W. Underwood had defeated Richmond Pearson Hobson for nomination to the Alabama legislature in the United States senate. Counting of the votes cast at democratic primaries throughout the state yesterday progressed very slowly today, especially in the larger cities.

Only four city precincts had completed the count in Jefferson county at 9:30 today. Thirty-nine out of 52 precincts in the county gave Underwood 2,601 votes and Hobson 1,506.

State returns showed an extremely close race between Ray Ruskon, of Montgomery, and Frank S. White, of Birmingham for the short term nomination to the United States senate which will expire March 3, 1915.

The gubernatorial contest continued to appear one of the most exciting of the year. Governor B. B. Comer maintained a slight plurality throughout the early part of today. R. F. Kolk of Montgomery, and Charles Henderson of Troy, were running a close race for second place. They had been credited with such a large number of votes at 9:30 that there seemed little probability of Comer receiving a majority. If none of the candidates receives a majority, a second primary between the two leading candidates will be held May 11 at which time similar contests between other state officers will be settled and a United States senator for the short term will be formally elected.

Congressional Races.
Returns from the eight congressional contests indicated interesting races in the first, eighth, ninth and sixth districts. To all appearances, Representative G. W. Taylor, of the first district had been defeated for nomination by O. L. Gray, of Chowan county. George Huddleston, of Jefferson county, was leading his three opponents in the fight for the nomination from the ninth district to succeed Representative Underwood. It was generally believed from returns available that William B. Bankhead, son of the United States senator from Alabama, had won the nomination in the sixth district to succeed Representative Hobson.

Judge E. L. Almon of Colbert county seemed assured of the nomination from the eighth district to succeed the late Representative William Richardson. There are three other candidates for this nomination.

Present members of the national house of representatives whose nomination appeared certain were: R. H. Drent of the second district; Henry D. Clayton of the third; Fred L. Blackburn of the fourth; and John L. Burnett of the seventh.

John W. Abernethy from the state at large and J. T. Griffin of the fifth district were unopposed in the race for nomination to congress.

Says He Has Votes.
Washington, April 7.—Oscar W. Underwood's election to the senate from Alabama will not change the democratic house leadership before March 4, 1915. Meanwhile Representative Kitchin, of North Carolina, has secured what he says are more than enough pledges to assure him the democratic leadership in succession to Mr. Underwood and the chairmanship of the ways and means committee, if the democrats retain control of the house of the next congress.

The Alabama election marks the passing of Representative Hobson and the coming of William B. Bankhead in his place. Mr. Bankhead is the son of Senator Bankhead and made the speech that placed Mr. Underwood in nomination for the presidency at the Baltimore convention.

It has been reported at the capitol that if Mr. Hobson were defeated in the present senatorship contest he planned to enter the race for the senatorship against Senator Bankhead, whom term expires in 1915.

Asks from the Underwood election contest chief interest here in the Alabama returns mainly centered in the fight of Representative Henry D. Clayton for re-election from the third district. He had been expecting a close run.

NAVAL DESTROYER IS BADLY DAMAGED

Side Blown Out by Explosion
Which Killed One Mem-
ber of the Crew.

Norfolk, Va., April 7.—With her side blown out and hardly more than five hours longer to remain afloat, the navy torpedo destroyer Aylwin was towed into Norfolk today by her sister ship, the Parker, assisted by the Atlantic battle fleet tug Sonoma. The Aylwin was docked at once and divers sent down to examine her bottom for early report on the full extent of her damages. The forward deck of the vessel was badly rent and torn up and two of her four stacks were badly out of place, one being on an angle of 25 degrees. It is roughly estimated that it will take three months to repair the Aylwin, which can remain in commission during that period.

The accident of the Aylwin, which resulted in the death of one of her crew and serious injuries to two others, is unofficially believed to have been caused by defective metal of the mud drum in No. 1 boiler, forward, which exploded with terrific force.

"We are indeed fortunate to be here," said Lieutenant Commander L. C. Palmer, in telling of the explosion and the circumstances surrounding the same.

The Aylwin's commander said he was without words of sufficient praise for the bravery and valor of the three men, Harmon, Eaton and Glynn, who were in the fire room at the time of the explosion.

"Everybody behaved splendidly," said Commander Palmer, "and I cannot too highly praise the ship's crew under the trying circumstances that followed the accident. Every man did his full duty."

15 DAYS HEARINGS ON REPEAL BILL

The Administration Support-
ers Profess to Be Satisfied
With the Plan.

Washington, April 7.—Fifteen days of public hearings beginning on April 9 on the Sims bill to repeal the Panama tolls exemption was decided upon today by the senate committee. Administration supporters pressing for a minimum of delay in getting the Sims bill out of the committee—where the deliberations were public—expressed to be satisfied with the plan for 15 days of hearings provided added time was not reserved for consideration of the bill after hearings are over. The hearings will give opportunity for threshing out various amendments, principal among them to reaffirm the sovereignty of the United States over the canal zone and its right under the treaty to grant an exemption to coastwise ships if it desired to do so.

CY. WARMAN, AUTHOR OF "SWEET MARIE," DEAD

Chicago, April 7.—Cy Warman, poet and short story writer, died today after a long illness.

Warman was stricken with paralysis last winter. The outlook was unfavorable from the first. He was removed to a hospital a few weeks ago where he continued to sink until the end today.

Cy Warman was known as the "Poet of the Rockies," and was a pioneer in the school of railroad literature. His stories about railroad men were based on personal experiences at Salida, Col., where in the early eighties he worked as a wiper, a fireman and a locomotive engineer.

Warman was born in 1855 near Greenup, Ill., on a homestead presented to his father by the government for gallant service in the Mexican war.

The poet was married to Miss Marie Myrtle Jones, who inspired the lines for the song "Sweet Marie."

CARRIED TO MORGUE BUT WALKS AWAY

Hartford, Conn., April 7.—Half an hour after his companions had carried him to a morgue as dead from the shock of touching a wire carrying 2,500 volts, Carl Lundell suddenly set up, rubbed his eyes, then hurried down from the slab and out of the place.

Lundell had been stunned only and he bore the marks of his experience except a burn on one hand.

STOCK SELLERS ARE SENTENCED

Seven Former Officers and
Agents of Sterling Deben-
ture Company Are Sent
To Prison.

TERMS RANGE FROM
THREE TO SIX YEARS

Convicted of Using the Mails
To Defraud Investors in
Various Enterprises
They Promoted.

New York, April 7.—Seven former officers and agents of the Sterling Deben-
ture company today received prison sentences of from three to six years for using the mails to defraud investors in the stock of enterprises promoted by their corporation. In sending them to the federal penitentiary at Atlanta Federal Judge Anderson declared that although the defendants maintained that they were penniless they had in fact made millions at the expense of thousands of victims throughout the country.

The heaviest sentences, six years, were imposed upon George H. Middlebrook of Chicago, first vice president of the Sterling Deben-
ture company; Frank Shumaker, a former president; and Henry H. Platt, a minor officer.

Benjamin C. Mudge, president of the Oxford Linen mills of North Brooklyn, Mass., received a four-year term. He was a chemist and inventor whose alleged discovery of a process to make flax yarn from flax straw at an enormous saving was widely advertised by the Sterling company in its campaign for the sale of the Oxford Linen mills stock.

Three-year sentences were imposed upon Wilbur M. Stone, a patent expert; Elwyn A. Barron, a prospectus writer, and W. S. Edwards.

The seven defendants were found guilty after a long trial at which they tried to prove that Mudge's process was all they had claimed for it and that they were engaged in a bona fide stock selling campaign.

JAPANESE EMPIRE IN POLITICAL CONFUSION

Kiyoura Unable to Form Cab-
inet—All Political Groups
On Virtual Strike.

Tokio, April 7.—The Japanese empire has been thrown into a condition of utter political confusion by the inability of Viscount Keigo Kiyoura to form a new cabinet. The viscount today informed the emperor that he had been compelled to give up the task.

All the political groups as well as the navy have virtually gone on strike. Progressive factions declare the constitution is not being properly observed, while the navy demands immediate advances of money for warship construction and the appointment of a sailor as minister of marine.

DECISION IN KILLER CASE IS POSTPONED

Grand Rapids, Mich., April 7.—Decision in the suit brought by the Chicago Federal league club to enjoin Catcher Killifer from playing with the Philadelphia Nationals or any club except the Chicago Federals will not be returned for several days, according to an announcement made by Federal Judge Sessions today.

Judge Sessions explained he had his opinion ready to file today, but held it back at the telegraphic request of counsel for both the Chicago Federals and the Philadelphia Nationals, who claimed they had more authorities to cite. That will be done by mail.

UNUSUAL HEIGHT CAUSED FREEDOM

Chicago, April 7.—His unusual height saved Long Tom, a negro, from being sentenced to a term in the house of correction on a minor charge. A tape measure proved Tom was 7 feet 11 inches tall.

"No, judge," said Long Tom when he was arraigned yesterday. "I didn't do anything wrong. I have led an honest life because if I did anything wrong I couldn't escape. If I went to the end of the world I couldn't disguise myself." Long Tom was released.

AS TO SELECTION OF RESERVE BOARD

Many Names Before President
Who May Choose With-
in a Month.

Washington, April 7.—By the time final steps toward organization of the 13 federal reserve banks have been taken—probably within another month—President Wilson will send to the senate the names of five men, who with the secretary of the treasury and the comptroller of currency will compose the federal reserve board and put into operation the nation's new currency system.

The president, to date, has not determined on a single name. He has before him data concerning many men who have been recommended as worthy of places on the board. Information about their qualifications and personalities has been carefully prepared for the president so that he can begin the sifting process practically without need of further inquiry.

Few people know just what names are before the president but it is understood that names of some of the biggest men in the country are on the list. One of the reasons for extreme secrecy is the uncertainty whether those who will be eventually offered places on the board will accept. Some of the men being considered receive salaries of \$25,000 and \$30,000 a year in their present positions and would have to make sacrifices to take the board salary of \$12,000.

The president has not made up his mind definitely on the character of the personnel of the board, but there is reason to believe that two men of banking experience, two business men with a knowledge of finance and an economist of recognized ability will be named.

It is said the men on the president's eligible list are not prominent in politics. Mr. Wilson has determined that political considerations shall not weigh in his selections.

The president realizes the difficulty of his task and his friends are impressing upon him the necessity for making the first federal reserve board a standard for the future of the country's financial system.

WINTER WHEAT 95.6 PER CENT NORMAL

Compared With 91.6 For Last
Year and 85.7 For 10-
Year Average.

Washington, April 7.—The average condition of winter wheat on April 1 was 95.6 per cent of a normal, compared with 91.6 last year, 8.5 in 1912 and 85.7 the 10 year average, the department of agriculture reported today. There was a decline in condition from December 1, 1913 to April 1, of 1.6 points, as compared with an average decline in the past 10 years of 3.5 points between these dates.

The average condition of rye on April 1 was 91.3 per cent of a normal against 89.3 last year, 87.9 in 1912 and 89.2 the average condition for the past 10 years.

VIRGINIA MOUNTAIN LEAGUE QUALIFIES

Auburn, N. Y., April 7.—The Virginia Mountain league embracing the territory of Charlottesville, Clifton Forge, Covington and Staunton, Va., has qualified for membership in class D baseball leagues, according to decisions given out today by Chairman Farrell of the National Board of Arbitration. The franchise and players of the Selma club of the Cotton States league have been transferred to the Georgia-Alabama league.

Service awarded: Harris to Selma; Pace to Marion.

Claims disallowed: Tydemans against Valdosta, Ga.

PASSOVER AND GOOD FRIDAY SAME DAY

Pittsburgh, Pa., April 7.—Local members of the International Bible Students' association discovered today that this year the Christian Good Friday and the Hebrew Feast of the Passover come on the same day. Because the Christian church accepted the calendar of Pope Gregory in place of the lunar calendar of the Hebrews the holidays are sometimes a month apart but this year Good Friday comes exactly as it did at the time of the Crucifixion.

Target Adrift.

Washington, April 7.—A man-of-war's target is adrift in the Gulf of Mexico near the Florida west coast and the revenue cutter Yamacraw today was ordered from Savannah to-day search for it. Navy department officials said recovery of the target would mean a saving of \$25,000.

REBELS TO USE THE GUILLOTINE

Medieval Instrument of Execu-
tion Erected at Conception
del Oro For Enemies of
Constitutionalists.

DESIRE FOR REVENGE
RESPONSIBLE FOR IT

Rebel General Says He Will
Employ Terrible Instru-
ment to Repay Cruelties
Of Federals.

Juarez, Mex., April 7.—The guillotine has made its appearance in Mexico, and a new form of execution confronts enemies of the constitutionalists in San Luis Potosi. It was learned today. At Conception del Oro a guillotine has been erected by rebel mechanics in the corps commanded by General Eulalio Gutierrez, who is now here conferring with Carranza.

Already the new instrument has been tested and the general says "it works splendidly." The test was made with a lamb as the victim.

Desire for revenge is responsible for the appearance of the guillotine in Mexico. General Gutierrez's brother in law, Jose Morales, was killed some time ago in a battle against the federals near Saltillo. The family of Morales, including an infant daughter and Gutierrez's sister, were living in Saltillo. The federal commander arrested the relatives of Gutierrez, placed them aboard a troop train and sent them to San Potosi. The baby died of exposure on the way and nothing is known of the fate of other members of the family.

From stories told by rebels this is only one of the many cases where the women and children of rebel officers have been taken from Saltillo by the federals and sent to other cities and to supposedly horrible fates. It is said that in some cases the women have been given to the federal soldiers.

General Gutierrez says he will leave Juarez in two or three days to resume his campaign against San Luis Potosi. "My outposts are within eight kilometers of the capital of that state and I expect to capture the place this time. Fourteen thousand men are under arms in the state and I can send them all against the city. And when I have taken it I hope to find my sister and her family. If they have been mistreated the guillotine is ready for action."

OFFICER KILLS FRIEND WHO RUINED HIS HOME

Inspector Delacroix Shoots In-
spector Dupin For At-
tention to Wife.

Paris, April 7.—Maurice Delacroix and Inspector of police, shot and killed his intimate friend, Inspector Raymond Dupin, at police headquarters here today.

Delacroix obtained evidence last night that Dupin was alienating the affections of Mme. Delacroix. The two officers met at headquarters this morning and after reporting to the chief inspector they left together. Then Delacroix without warning shot Dupin five times, killing him instantly. Delacroix surrendered.

M. CAILLAUX MAY BE CHARGED AS ACCESSORY

Paris, April 7.—The question whether Joseph Caillaux, former minister of finance, may be charged as an accessory of Gaston Calmette, editor of the Figaro, in the subject of general discussions in newspapers today. The publication of the testimony of President Poincare indicating that M. Caillaux had at least influenced his wife's action has given rise to the suggestion that he may be brought into the investigation as an accomplice.

NEW COUNTERFEIT BANK NOTE FOUND

Washington, April 7.—Discovery of a new \$10 counterfeit national bank note on the Crocker National bank of San Francisco was announced by the secret service today. The counterfeit is of the series of 1902-1904, printed from photo-stitched plates and the back of the note is very blotchy. It should not deceive experienced handlers of money, the secret service states.

ANTIS DEPEND ON WOMAN VOTE

BURNS POSTPONES FINDINGS REPORT

Wants to Be Sure of Convinc-
ing Those Concerned in
Leo Frank Case.

Atlanta, Ga., April 7.—William J. Burns said today that results of his investigation into the murder of Mary Phagan probably would not be reported until late this week. He previously had indicated that his report might be laid before counsel for Leo. M. Frank, under death sentence for the murder, today or tomorrow.

The detective who has been at work on the case for nearly a month at the instance of friends of Frank, said only a few minor points remained to be cleared up.

"I want to be absolutely sure," he added, "that my report will convince all concerned that I have, beyond the shadow of a doubt, found the murderer of Mary Phagan."

Mr. Burns would not indicate whether or not his findings would show Frank to be innocent. That this would be the case was confidently predicted by the condemned man's counsel, though they professed ignorance of the detective's discoveries.

Frank's execution, set for April 17, will be automatically stayed by the presentation on April 16 of an extraordinary motion for a new trial.

TEMPORARY BUILDINGS AT WELLESLEY COLLEGE

Wellesley, Mass., April 7.—A temporary wooden building for the college offices and class rooms was ready for use when the students of Wellesley college returned today to resume their studies, interrupted by the fire which destroyed College hall on March 17. The trustees estimate that \$1,500,000 will be needed for construction and equipment of a building to replace College hall.

Recommendations

Washington, April 7.—Attorney General McReynolds has recommended to President Wilson the appointment of Richard H. Mann of Petersburg for federal district attorney for eastern Virginia.

Fire in Charleston, W. Va.

Charleston, W. Va., April 7.—Firemen early today extinguished flames that had raged throughout the night in a block near the state capitol and caused damage estimated at \$275,000.

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Fate of 3000 Saloons in Illinois
Hangs on Ballots of Suffra-
gettes—217,500 Have
Registered.

PRESIDENTS' POLICIES ISSUE IN NEW JERSEY

Socialism Also an Issue in a
Special Election to Choose
Successor to Late
Robt. Bremner.

Chicago, April 7.—Upon the votes today of women depended the fate of more than 3000 saloons in Illinois outside of Chicago.

F. Scott McBride, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league of Illinois, claimed the voting women would sweep saloons from 33 counties, increasing the total of "dry" counties in the state to 63. Liquor interests denied women are overwhelmingly against saloons.

Fifty thousand down-state women were eligible to vote. Rain and cold were general in southern Illinois but thousands of women accompanied their husbands who stopped at the polls before going to work.

Every available policeman and extra deputy sheriff were on guard at the polls at Springfield to prevent threatened trouble. Auto-saloon workers asserted the 200 saloons in the capital would be voted out of existence before nightfall and feeling was running high.

For the first time in Chicago women went to the polls and enjoyed equal rights with the men in an aldermanic election. More than 217,500 women had registered and election officials estimated that more than 80 per cent of them would vote. The number of men registered totalled 455,283, and it was estimated about 75 per cent of them would vote.

For fear that many of the women might spoil their ballots in casting their first vote nearly a half million extra ballots were distributed at the polls.

Extra heavy police details were on duty in several of the wards where there are close contests.

Most of the interest in today's election was in the success of the eight women candidates for council.

The most effort was made in the first ward, where Miss Marion Drake, a court stenographer, opposed Alderman John (Rothhouse) Coughlin for re-election.

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