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### THE DEMOCRATS NOW IN CONTROL

#### The Caucus of Party Decides in Washington Upon Organization

### THE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

#### Marked by Harmony and Smoothness Progress to Cut Down Expense of Democratic Campaign, Changes in the Rules—To Have Economic Government

Washington, April 1.—In a party caucus adjourned for its progress the Democratic members of the new house of representatives today adopted without change the committee assignments, the economy program and the new rules prepared for the coming session by the committee that have been working during the last month.

#### Important changes in procedure and a general reorganization of the democrats today.

The power of naming committees was originally taken from the speaker by the new rules, and lodged in the hands, not only in the first instance, but also in the filling of vacancies.

A saving of \$322,000 in the annual cost of running congress is promised through the cutting out of superfluous employees and in active committees; and untriumphal committees, and through the abolishment of the times honored "extra month's pay."

Appellate places all are put into the hands of one committee, a special body to be known as the committee on organization, and the scramble for Congressional positions will center about its door.

The important changes in the rules under which the new congress will operate are:

The selection of committees by the house. A provision to prevent filibustering under the rule giving authority to discharge committees from considering bills, a provision permitting amendments to appropriation bills whenever those amendments will result in retrenchment of national expenditures. Authority for bills to come up twice for passage under the unanimous consent privilege.

The rule to prevent filibustering on a motion to discharge a committee from custody of a bill is the result of the filibuster conducted in the last session by Representative Mann of Illinois. He had the post-office reorganization bill placed on the calendar under this rule and demanded that it be read completely an operation that consumed several days.

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The new rule provides that a bill shall be read only by its title, and that it shall not be more than 100 words long. It prohibits any member having before the house at any time more than two motions to discharge committees from the calendar of bills. Under this rule the Democrats believe this rule can be made to work as originally intended, to prevent the burying of bills in committees.

The new rule affecting appropriation bills is a renewal of the so-called "Holman rule" first used by the Democrats in 1874. It permits amendments to appropriation bills of wide character, when those amendments will effect a reduction of Federal expenditures.

The Democratic caucus met in the house chamber this morning and its business continued throughout the afternoon and evening. President was Albert R. Burleson of Texas, as chairman, and W. J. Ashbrook as secretary, the names dropped of the rules, the committee assignments and the economy program before 9 o'clock and completed the election of officers of the House tonight.

Following the adoption of the rules, Chairman Henry, of the new Rules Committee, stated that they would be offered to the house Tuesday, immediately after the preliminary organization of the 42nd congress.

In its effort to reduce the house payroll and dispense with extra employees, the democratic caucus authorized sweeping changes: The abolishment of 20 appointive positions; the dropping of six standing committees from the house lists; and the abolishment of the extra pay allowed each session to the employees.

The first of these items is expected to save \$120,000; the second \$12,000 and the withdrawing of the "extra month's pay" will save another \$30,000.

The positions under the house, heretofore apportioned amongst the members generally, are to be given by the democrats only to those members who were not given committee chairmanships.

In its attempt at economy the democratic organization ordered that 22 of the special policemen employed at the capitol could be dispensed with, and that 32 clerkships and minor positions under the clerk of house could be abolished.

One chief bill clerk with four assistants and a stenographer is to take the place of the large number of clerks removed.

Congressman Small is Honored—Our distinguished congressman, Hon. John H. Small, and a popular citizen of this city has been named as a member of the Rivers and Harbors committee in the next congress. This is an honor well bestowed and the many friends of Mr. Small are delighted at his promotion. He will be heard from as a member of this committee. Not only in this district but also throughout the entire state.

### THE FOURTH AND LAST MEETING

#### County Teachers Association Met Here Last Saturday

### PROF. AUSTIN MAKES ADDRESS

#### Fourty-six Teachers Attend the Fourth and Last Session of Beaufort County Teachers' Association for the Year—Much Interest Was Manifested—Enjoyed by All

Forty-six teachers attend the fourth and last session of the Beaufort County Teachers' Association for the year. The meeting was held in the public school auditorium, this city last Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

There were about forty-six teachers out of eighty-five in the county present at the meeting. The reason why the rest were absent was attributed to the fact that a good many of the public schools have closed and too, those teachers residing in other counties have returned to their homes.

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent of Public Schools W. L. Vaughan of this city.

After the organization had been perfected Mr. Vaughan presented to the teachers Professor H. E. Austin, who holds the chair of science in the East Carolina Training School, of Greenville, who addressed the teachers on the topic: "Some problems that the teachers of today must be prepared to solve."

Professor Austin is a thorough class room lecturer and his address took the shape of a well presented lecture. He divided his talk into three divisions. In the first division he spoke to the necessity for thorough preparation in the subject as a whole that the teacher must present. For example that preparation which keeps the teacher just one day ahead of the class.

In the second place he directed his hearers to the methods of preparation, showing how the teacher must know the relative values of facts in the lesson, so as not only to be able to point them out to the child but also to enable the child to recognize the more important parts of each lesson.

In this division Professor Austin showed how teaching became monotonous when teacher fails to show the whole field of instruction merely adding fact upon fact without regard to the relative importance. In the third place the speaker directed the teachers to the necessity of knowing the individual child as well as the children in general.

Finally he explained that he represented the East Carolina Training School at Greenville. Said he believed that they were prepared to fit teachers to meet their various problems.

Showed by taking advantage of the eight weeks summer course the teacher could receive professional training at a cost of not over twenty-five dollars.

The address was listened to with profit by all present.

Superintendent Vaughan after Professor Austin had closed, emphasized the necessity for this profession as training and by means as many of the teachers present as possible attend this summer school.

The fact that so many teachers were present when schools have already closed shows the interest manifest and taken in the work.

The following teachers were present from different sections of the county:

E. Allen, B. L. Sparrow, Elmo R. Harris, Alex. V. Harris, Alice C. Hight, Esther Trigg, Lucy Winstead, J. W. Fain, Jess Daniels, Minnie Bonifant, Nancy Coward, Ruby Stillwell, Miriam Stancil, Beattie Warren, Frances Tolan, Bertha Whitley, Annie L. Tyler, Lottie Latham, Laura M. Harris, Mrs. C. C. Spruill, Alice Bradley, Minnie Brown, Susan A. Hester, Corde Willard, Edith Hodgson, Ora Jordan, Mrs. Bonner Waters, Josephina Allgood, Beattie Ormond, M. D. Morgan, Mattie P. Woolard, Susan C. Williams, Ada M. Little, H. N. Roper, Georgia Cayton, L. D. Bennett, Mattie May Allgood, Mable Harrison, J. E. Paul, Connie L. Hodges, H. H. Oden, T. J. Topping and W. S. Harsh.

#### THIS EVENING TELLS THE TALE

Do you believe in the future welfare of Washington? Have you the prosperity of the city at heart? If you have then you will be present the evening at 8:30 o'clock to discuss the question whether or not the Mattamuskeet railroad to Washington. This is the most important and vital question Washington has had to confront in many years. Can we afford as a community to allow this chance to slip us without at least taking some action. If we do not do something tonight then this much needed road will be lost to us forever. The time is now. Tonight meet at 8:30 o'clock and if the citizens of Washington desire the construction of this road to Washington they must be present this evening and show their acts by their works. Tomorrow will be too late. Tonight is the time to decide. The Daily News calls upon all citizens to be present tonight at the courthouse and discuss this important matter.

#### AN ACCIDENT

Mr. J. H. Kessinger's Son Accidentally Shoots Himself.  
On Thursday last, Master Arthur Kessinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kessinger, aged about 12-years, while fooling with a pistol near his home was accidentally shot in the hand.  
In attempting to snap the weapon, he not knowing it was loaded, the revolver fired and the result was the ball entered his hand. Dr. J. C. Blount rendered medical aid. While the wound is painful it is not thought to be serious.

We are not picking any fun at New York for we may have a senatorial deadlock in North Carolina next time.

### PRESIDENT DIAZ IS WEAKENING

#### Aged Ruler Commits Himself in Advocacy of Many Reforms

### NO RE-ELECTION PRINCIPLE

#### The Public Hears With Interest Words That May End All Internal Strife—Would Allow President to Serve but one Term—Following to Demands of the Hebrals.

Mexico City, Mex., April 1.—Committing himself to the advocacy of many of the reforms demanded by the revolutionists, although professing to bow to the influence of public opinion, General Diaz answered his critics through his semi-annual message at the opening today of the national congress.

The principle of no re-election of the chief executive and incumbents of other elective offices and the reform of the electoral laws so that the privilege of the ballot may be enjoyed by those citizens "who are considered capable of voting" were advocated.

The message refers specifically to the application of the no re-election principle, to the naming of governors of the chief contentions of the discontented element, through the republic, the president stating that if a bill providing for the "periodical renovation" of the officials in question should come before congress it would have his earnest support.

Abuse of power by Jefe's Polit'cos, another of the evils complained of by residents in the rural districts, is to be abated, according to the plan outlined by the president.

The president proposes to improve the efficiency of the judiciary through a more careful selection of its personnel and lengthening the tenure of office.

Emotions punishment of judicial functionaries for malfeasance is to be brought through the enactment of more stringent measures.

On the subject of the division of the great private estates, first broached by Minister Limantour in his Paris interview, the executive declared his determination to find sufficient means for bringing about the innovation.

In no previous message of the president has there been anything in the nature of a recommendation. Until today his messages have been resumed of things accomplished.

The public, knowing that the president would in this message to the Twenty-fifth congress depart from the ordinary course and suggest special legislation, has shown most intense interest.

This feeling of expectancy found expression in the members of congress and from the minute the chief executive entered the chamber of deputies until the last work of the message, every man on the floor as well

as those present in the galleries, listened intently. Every available seat in the galleries was occupied, either by diplomats, public officials or by those fortunate enough to have obtained cards of admission.

President Diaz appeared no more aged tonight than he did when he read his message in September, and in spite of the fact that the reading today required more than an hour, his voice was as strong at the conclusion as at the beginning.

#### THE WEATHER

Wet tonight and Tuesday. Moderate east winds.

#### COTTON MARKET

Limitation, \$11.00  
Cotton seed, per ton, \$23.00.

#### AURORA LEADS

Gave the Largest Amount of Any Town to the Oxford Orphans.  
The class of orphans from the Oxford Orphan Asylum gave an entertainment at Aurora last Friday evening. The house was packed and over one hundred and twenty dollars was the receipts of the evening. This is the largest amount the class have received since they have been on their eastern tour of the state and speaks well for Aurora. This town always does the right thing at the right time. They are to be congratulated.

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10c pkg Oatmeal 8c	
Karo Syrups, per can, 8c	
2lb Can Armours	
Roast Beef 25c	
45c Can Lobsters 35c	
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THE LUCKY CHARM—Fairy Tale.  
THE MEXICAN TUMBLERS—Drama.

## Washington Will Build the Railroad to Belhaven. Be at the Court House To-Night at 8:30 and Hear How it will be done. Coordinated action always wins.