

cuts on pottery come from New Jersey and Pennsylvania members.

The House Democrats have demonstrated that a good working majority is supporting Charman Underwood and the ways and means committee, and this seems to indicate that the caucus eventually will ratify the

sugar with the provision for its going on the free list in three years.

Theer are assurances, however, that such a result will not be accomplishon raw wool and to eliminate the free sugar provision.

Wool Amendments.

Opponents of free wool are making the arfument that the party went to the people in the last election committed to a duty on raw wool as based on the whool schedule passed in Congress and vetoed by the President. 10 to 12 degrees of albumen. They declare that when the House agreed to a duty of twenty per cent and later accepted 29 per cent in con- hours.

ference, it went on record before the Just before 11 o'clock Cardinal public.

Opponents of the textile schedules ber. The Pope said in reply to the had a test vote in the caucus yesterday Cardinal's inquiry that he felt betwhen they made an effort to put in- ter. He then spoke about the pildigo on the free list. They were de- grims who had come to the Vatican feated by a vote of 112 to 35. Postmaster General Burleson, who that he would be unable to see them. was an early calle rat the White Cardinal Merry del Val informed him House today told the President he that the pilgrims had been separated favored tariff revision by separate into groups and were being escorted about Rome, visiting various churches bills

New Sugar Amendment, -

After a conference with President The Pope rejoiced to see the morn-Wilson today, Representative Hard- ing bring a change in the weather. pocket of a man about 24 years old wick of Georgia declared he would A splendid sun streamed through the who was running down the stairs and submit to the House caucus an amend- ample window of his bedroom. Al- who escaped in a train despite the ment to the tariff bill to put sugar in though this seemed to encourage his young woman's cries. Miss Graft was the free list in March, 1916, instead of spirits, he continued to feel nauseated, helped to a shoe store where she three years from the date of the pass- and averse to taking nourishment not- equipped herself with a pair of highage of the bill now proposed. Mr. withstanding the efforts made by his laced shoes which she declared she Hardwick predicted a fight for free own cook, Stefano Inchiestro, an old would wear until the mysterious slip-

ARE REASSURING WATCHERS

ROME, April 10 .- At noon today schedules presented, including free the condition of the Pope was much raw wool and the 20 per cent cut in better but the weakness of his heart and his intermittent pulse were still lowing men were recommended for causing anxiety. postmaster today: Representative

The doctors permitted him to eat ed without a fight. Opposition forces an egg with broth but the patient was are preparing for a struggle for a duty able to take it only with difficulty. Dr. Andrea Amici declared today that he hoped by next week Pope Pius X would be convalescent.

An entirely contrary opinion, however, is expressed by some of those immediately surrouning the Pope who depict the situation as grave. They assert that an examination made by a specialist showed the presence of from The sisters and niece of the Pope

remained with hi mthis morning three

Merry del Val entered the bedchamfrom Venice and expressed his regret

> and basilicas where they prayed for the Pontiff's recovery.

of the highest efficiency," he said, "we islature are fixed and they will be met are at the same time educating thouat the Southern Railway station tosands of young men to be better citmorrow at 10 by a joint committee izens and to be in a position to help appointed by President Charles C. themselves when they leave the serv-Hook of the Greater Charlotte Club. ice. We want to give them industrial This committee is composed of Mr. education under ideal conditions. Most Hook and Mr. W. C. Wilkinson, Co. of all, we will help create a mercan-A. L. Smith, Mr. E. C. Dwelle, Mr. tile marine owned by us and run by us."

The convention was devoted to discussions today but tomorrow the delegates of which there are several hundred, will be entertained at a special cavalry dill at Fort Meyer. The convention wil lend tomorrow night with a banquet in honor of Secretary Daniels, at which one of the principal guests will be Vice President Marshall.

and Manufacturers' Association.

At 2 o'clock the business meeting

It is probable that this meeting will

at a dinner at the Seiwyn Hotel by a

few representatives of the two organ-

At 8:30 a reception will be held in

the palm room of the Selwyn Hotel

ed to speak on the recent meeting of

the Interstate Commerce Commission

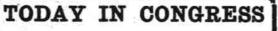
and Commissioners W. B. Council of

Hickory and N. B. Broughton of Ral-

over the city.

and receivers of freight.

izations.



SENATE. Not in session; meets at noon Saturday. committee Democrats Finance considered new tariff bill.

HOUSE. Met at noon.

Representative Stephens (Calif.) introduced bill directing Panama Railroad Company to establish Pacific steamship line in connection with Atlantic line.

Representative Mann introduced bill for tariff board of five mem-

Representative Hobson introduced resolution for constitutional amendment for direct election of President and single seven-year term; Representative Bartholdt, one to limit presidential tenure to two four-year terms; Representative Neely, one to provide popular election of United States district judges every six years.

Representative Bartholdt introduced resolution for commission to fix boundaries of North and South American Nations.

Representative Clark introduced resolution for special committee to investigate various legislative and executive commissions: Renresentative Austin, one to investirate tobacco pool at Henderson, Ky., and Representative Lobeck,

other legislation were read.

The following officers and members of the board of governors were elected

President, S. W. Cramer, Charlotte, N. C.; vice president, T. I. Hickman, Augusta, Ga.; secretary and treasurer, C. B. Bryant, Charlotte, N. C. Cameron Morrison and Mr. J. V.

The new board members are: G. H. Simms for the club and Mr. McMahon. Mr H. W. Eddy and Mr. W. S. Lanier, Georgia; F. E. Calloway, Geor-Creighton of the Charlotte Shippers gia; J. D. Hammett, South Carolina; A. A. Thompson, North Carolina; The party will be escorted to the Scott Maxwell, Alabama; Arthur R. Selwyn Hotel, where the local members of the Governor's staff will take Sharp, Massachusetts, and C. B. Armthem in charge and entertain them strong, North Carolina. for an hour with an automobile ride

During the discussion of the proposed reduction in cotton tariff rates,

Retiring President Erwin took issue of the day will be held in the banquet with Secretary Redfield, who declared hal, of the Selwyn Hotel. This meetthat if the cotton industry needed proing will be under the direction of the Charlotte Shippers and Manufacturtrial cowards." ers' Association with President Phil Mr. Erwin declared that Secretary L. McMahon in the chair. At this

Redfield knew little or nothing remeeting Traffic Manager W. S. Creighgarding the cotton industry and that hours than at any time since the beton will present the local situation to he would not have made his remark ginning of the present flood, a the Governor and the members of the Commission and will be assisted if he had been familiar with condiby a number of the local shippers tions

"I am satisfied," continued Mr. Erwin, "that President Wilson will incontinue until 5:30 or 6 o'clock and at 6:30 the visitors will be entertained in conformity with party pledges, possibly free wool, free steel and free suthere had been such a party pledge,

on the first floor at which time every the United States today." person in Charlotte will have an op-The report of the committee on tarportunity to meet Governor Craig and iff declared that if the proposed tarthe members of the Commission. Foliff on cotton becomes law, it will "do lowing this reception a number of irreparable injury to the industry bespeeches will be made, among them cause a condition of depression in cotbeing one by Governor Craig. Chairton manufacturing that will be apmarr E. J. Justice of the Freight Rate palling." Commission of Greensboro is expect-

FRENCH BIRTH RATE LOWEST IN HALF CENTURY

PARIS April 10 .- The hirth rate in

A solid train load of seventeen cars f steel sheet piling is enroute from Pittsburg to New Orleans for the United States engineers, to be used in tieing the ends of crevasses. This shipment, containing 518 tons, is being brought here to guard against any emergency in the third federal levee district, from Vicksburg south to the mouth of the Mississippi river.

Captain Sherrill Aids.

Captain C. O. Sherrill, chief of the United States engineers here, has devised a plan for tieing the ends of breaks in the levees which engineers believe feasible and the shipment of steel sheet piling has been purchased by railroads and Louisiana levee boards for the purpose of giving this plan a thorough test.

Captain Sherrill explained that this supply of steel piling was purchased merely to guard against an emergency.

It will be placed on government steamers and barges and distributed points along the river from Natchez south to New Orleans, and at all times a large force of men tection, its members "would be indus- will be kept ready to proceed promptly to any break in the levees. From. Helena, Ark., south to New

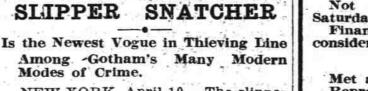
Orleans the Mississippi river rose more rapidly during the past 24

Renewed Hope at Memphis.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 10.-Absence of rain and occasional splashes of sunshine today brought renewed. sist that certain measures be enacted hope to the thousands of workers who spent a night in anxious watching along the levees that are holding the gar. But I have never seen any pledge Mississippi flood from the fields and regarding free or nearly free cotton. If forests of eastern and northeastern Arkansas. These are considered the Mr. Wilson would not be President of most critical along the river at the present time. This morning's re-

ports show that with the exception of the crevasse at Wilson, all the embankments were holding.

The gauge at Memphis showed a full of one-tenth at 10 o'clock from the 7 o'clock reading of 46.5. At Wyanoke, just below Memphis, a sixinch fall was reported, while at Mound City, just above this city, a fall of two and one-half inches was indicated. According to the forecaster the river will be about stationary.



NEW YORK, April 10 .- The slipper snatcher who stole a pump from the foot of a Bronx girl while she was ascending the stairs of a subway station on Monday has either set out to make a colection of low shoes or else set an example which others are following. A second theft of the kind occurred last night when Selma Graft, a 15year-old high school student, was tripped up by a tug on her shoe on the subway stairs. She turned around just in time to catch a fleeting glimpse of

POSTOFFICES NAMED

BY CONGRESSMAN

(By Parker R. Anderson.)

Stedman, fifth district, Joseph H. Car-

ter, Mount Airy; E. H. Avont, East

Durham; Robert S. McRae, Chapel

Hill; W. T. Chambersc, Madison; Jo-

seph E. Lane, Leaksville and L. M.

Representative Page, seventh dis-

trict, J. Gordon Hackett, North

Wilkesboro, and H. H. Hunt, Mocks-

Sheffield, Spray.

ville.

WASHINGTON, April 10 .- The fol-

her slipper disappearing into the

Tailloads representatives in conter reports that the persistent reports that and a set	time to adjust themselves while other products were immediately to become free. Democratic members of the finance committee held another meeting today to further consider their program. The wish of President Wilson for early action on the Underwood bill and few changes in its rates were discussed. WASHINGTON, April 10.—Civic cleanliness is to be taught in the pub- lic schools of the Capital, as a result of the activities of a "clean city" com- mittee of prominent citizens. Each day when the schools open, a brief ad- dress will be made, eithor by the teachers or by members of the com-	eiterated that the whole trouble is a elapse from his recent attack of in- luenza. Professor Marchiafava this after- noon gave confirmation of the contin- uance of the improvement of the Pope's condition. He said that his his only fear was that complications might arise, more especially through ack of nourishment owing to the ab- sence of appesite. Efforts will be made to administer artificial nourishment. Eight hundred oPlish pilgrims ar- rived today and went to the Vatican. As they were not alolwed to see the Pope, they marched around the pi- aza in procession, chanting prayers and singing hymns. Many of them were peasants, wearing their national	Government for elevators. President would be authorized to invite foreign Nations to par- ticipate in naval parade at open- ing of Panama Canal by resolution introduced by Representative Cop- ley. Representative Floyd introduced resolution for Government bureau of tobacco industry. A Lincoln memorial highway, Boston to San Francisco, proposed in bill of Representative Taylor, Colorado. Representative Murdock intro- duced bill for labelling of clothing and textiles and making misbrand- ing a misdemeanor. Representative Palmer intro- duced bill to permit National banks to lend money on real es- tate to 50 per cent of combined capital and surplus. Progressives selected Represen- tative Kelly (Pa.) for rules com- mittee in place of Representative Chandler, who declined to serve.	Ryan of the Southern Furniture Man- ufacturers' Association of High Point and Traffic Manager J. L. Graham of Winston-Salem and Mayor Thomas L. Craig of Gastonia. This conference here tomorrow is to allow the business interests of Char- lotte and Charlotte territory to lay be- fore the Governor and the Commis- sion the freight situation as applies locally to the end that the Commis- sion will be in possession of all the facts in the case when they meet the	There was only one birth for every thirty families. The infantile death rate was 143 per thousand. Prohibitive rentals are said to have been the chief cause for the decrease in the number of births. which time an effort will be made to secure an adjustment of the freight rate situation in North Carolina on a basis of equality with the rates now enjoyed by Virginia cities. The Governor and the Commission was invited to Charlotte by the Great- er Charlotte Club and the Charlotte Shippers' Association when they were entertained at Greensboro recently and the conference for tomorrow and	ritory for the next 24 hours. River, experts, however, state that the break at Wilson will relieve the situation considerably and should show a drop, in the river at Memphis of four to six inches. Reports from Oseeoia, where the situation was critical last night, today were that the additional labor had been secured and the banks were holding. The same information was received from Luxora, about three miles farther north on the same stretch of levee. Widening Crevasse at Wilson. At Wilson the break was reported widening slowly. The water from this
municipal sanitation. Pope is suffering from nephritis and bers of the old oPlish nobility. (Continued on Page 7.),	teachers or by members of the com- mttee, emphasizing the importance of ically the persistent reports that the	costume, but many others were mem-		facts in the case when they meet the railroads' representatives in confer-	and the conference for tomorrow and tomorrow night have been arranged	cover about 40 per cent of the St. (Continued on Page 7.)