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By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Champ Clark, speaker of the house of representatives in a review of the work of the first session of the Sixty-second Congress, declared that the democratic party set a good example for democrats everywhere, and that the party had redeemed every promise it made in the campaign of 1910 when the democrats wrested control of the house from the republicans.

"At this session the democrats have made a record which has surprised our friends and dumbfounded our enemies," said Speaker Clark. "It has put heart and hope into democrats everywhere. The extra session was extraordinary not only in the sense of being a special session called by the president, but also in the amount and quality of the work done in the house by the combined democrats and insurgents, and the combined democrats and republican insurgents in the senate and especially by the unanimity of action developed by the house democrats."

It was predicted freely, enthusiastically, vociferously and confidently, that we would go to pieces. On that account and by reason of that hope they rejoiced that the extra session of congress was called, so that we might go to pieces at the earliest possible date. But we have sorely disappointed all their expectations. They even set the date when we would go to pieces which was the day of the democratic caucus on Jan. 19, but unfortunately for them in that caucus everything was done unanimously. They then said surely we would go to pieces as soon as we reached the tariff question, but again they were doomed to disappointment and we did not go to pieces at all. We are more thorough than the republicans at the end of the session, if possible than at the beginning.

"We have set a good example to democrats everywhere. Sneered at for years as a party of mere negotiation and as being utterly lacking in ability for constructive statesmanship, we passed through the house more constructive legislation and better than has passed through any house in the seventy-length of time, in twenty years. We have set the pace in that regard for future houses."

"We redeemed every promise made in order to carry the elections in 1910. We have reorganized; we passed the reciprocity bill, the wool tariff bill, the free list bill, the cotton bill with the senate amendments, which included the iron and steel schedule and the chemical schedule; we submitted for ratification a constitutional amendment providing for popular election of senators of the United States; we passed a bill for the publication of campaign expenses before the election; we liberalized the rules, making the committees elective by the house; we passed a resolution to admit New Mexico and Arizona, and we passed a large number of other bills of more or less importance. It is a record of which we may well be proud and on which we will sweep the country in 1912."

To show how completely the 'standard' republicans are demoralized, it is only necessary to quote the newspaper statement that there was great rejoicing and congratulation at the White House, because we failed by a scratch to get the two-thirds majority to override the president's veto, although we have only sixty-three unanimity in the house. To this complexity has it come at last, that the president, who rode into power by a huge majority, is glad to escape the humiliation of having his vetoes overridden in a house containing a majority of only 63. Small favors are thankfully received by the administration.

Notwithstanding the fact that four cabinet members were on the floor of the house lobbying in favor of the veto with all their power, allurement and patronage of the administration to deny them influence, twenty-five insurgent republicans had the courage and manhood to override the president's vetoes. What's writ is writ, and whatever the future may have in store, the honor of having perfect unanimity among the democrats and of achieving an extraordinary amount of constructive statesmanship at this extraordinary session cannot be taken away from us. Every democrat in the house and every insurgent republican, who stood to the rank, is entitled to his full share of credit.

"We honestly and persistently endeavored to relieve the people of some of their burden of taxation, but the president would not have it. To use a sporting phrase, he blocked the game. On these issues, we appeal to the country, feeling absolutely certain that as we have stood manfully for the best interests of the people, the people will stand by us."

The speaker referred as having been on the floor of the house when the tariff revision bills were pending in that body were Attorney General Wickersham; Postmaster General Hitchcock; Secretary of War Simson and Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel.

FRNCH PREMIER CALLS IN ABLE COUNSEL.

By Associated Press. Paris, Aug. 22.—Premier Caillaux is taking counsel of the best diplomatic and political wisdom of France during these days of uncertainty in the Moroccan negotiations with Germany.

The French ambassador at Berlin, London and Rome, Jules Cambon, Paul Cambon and Camille Barrere, who had been summoned to Paris, were received by M. Caillaux today. Justin de Selves, the minister of foreign affairs, Jean Krupp, minister of justice and Theophile Delcasse, the minister of marine, also conferred with the premier, who is preparing for a special cabinet meeting to be summoned for the end of the week.

Several Thousand Men Dropped

By Associated Press. New York, Aug. 22.—Officials of the Union and Southern Pacific railroads declined today to talk of the dropping of several thousand men from the payroll of the railroads.

Officials of the Rock Island, Northern Pacific and Atchison railroads indicate they will not adopt similar methods of retrenchment. An officer of the Rock Island said his company was not laying off men and he saw no immediate cause why it should do so.

It is generally believed here the retrenchment policy will be extended to all lines of the Harriman system.

UNCONFIRM NOMINATION OF JNO. BIDDLE

By Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 22.—Committee dignity asserted itself in the senate today so positively that an executive session was held to "unconfirm" the nomination of John Biddle, of North Carolina, as collector of customs for the Pamlico district.

Senator Nelson, of Minnesota, informed the senate today that yesterday it had confirmed Biddle's nomination without report from either himself or acting chairman of the commerce committee, to which the nomination had been referred, or from Senator Burton, member of that committee who had the matter in charge.

"I move an executive session to correct that error," said Senator Nelson and the senate accepted its reprimand humbly and without dissent.

Biddle's confirmation at the executive session was set aside and final action is postponed until next session.

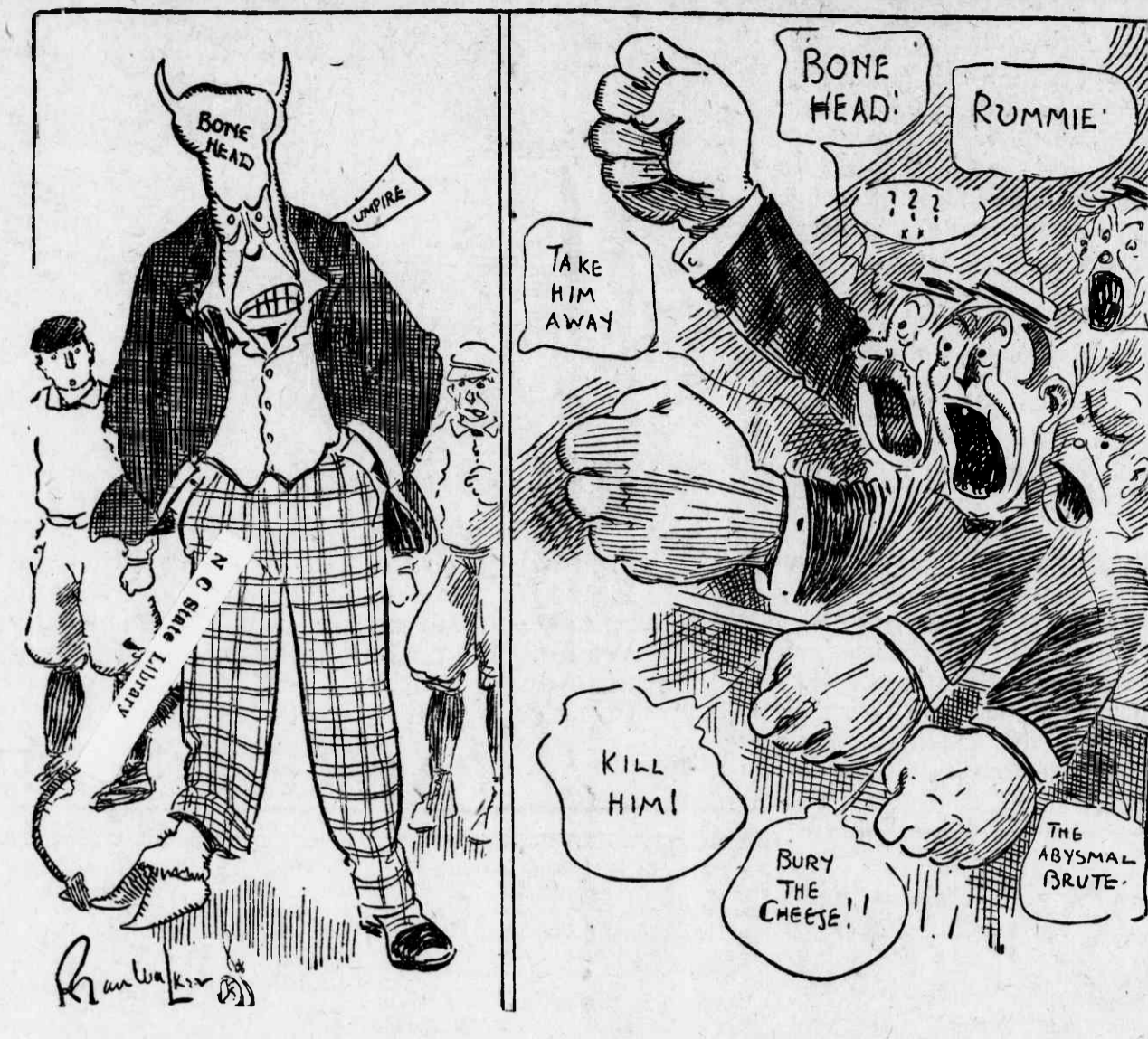
John Biddle Nominated. Washington, Aug. 22.—The nomination of John Biddle, of North Carolina, to be collector of customs for the district of Pamlico, N. C., was confirmed by the senate.

Seal Herd Investigation. By Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 22.—The house committee on expenditures in the department of commerce and labor, which has been inquiring into charges made by Representative Townsend, of New Jersey, that the once great seal herd of the Pribiloff islands is being destroyed through ignorance or connivance of government agents, adjourned today to resume its investigation in December.

A MURDERER ALMOST BEAT DEATH CHAIR

By Associated Press. Eddyville, Ky., Aug. 22.—When Oliver Locke, a negro wife murderer, was paying the penalty for his crime at the penitentiary here today, the condemned man, through whose body 2,000 volts of electricity were believed to be coursing, struggled for twenty-eight minutes with superhuman strength and finally broke the leather straps that bound his arms and legs to the death chair.

After breaking the straps the negro toppled to the floor and apparently succumbed but an examination by the prison physician revealed the fact that he was slowly reviving. His body was again strapped to the chair and 2,500 volts of electricity turned on. Several minutes elapsed before life was extinct.



The umpire as he looks to the fans, and the fans as they look to the umpire.

Most Strenuous Session Of National Legislature Now Political History

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Aug. 22.—What is described as the most strenuous session of a national legislative body that has been held in many years will go into political history at 3 o'clock this afternoon, officially known as the final day of the extra session of the 62nd congress.

All that remained for the closing hours was the receipt of the president's veto of the cotton tariff revision bill, the final attempt of the democrats for adjustment of the tariff, without waiting for the report and recommendations of the president's tariff board. The house already had selected a committee to notify the president that congress was ready to adjourn and the senate did likewise.

Both houses convened at noon today with all plans perfected for adjournment. The following senators and representatives constituted the committee appointed by the two houses to wait upon the president and notify him that congress had completed its business and was ready to quit: Senator Cullom, of Illinois, republican; and Martin, of Virginia, democrat; Representatives Underwood, of Alabama; Dixon, of Indiana, democrat, and Mann, of Illinois, republican. The committee paid its formal call at the white house soon after the session began.

The senators and representatives left in town a wide gap in their ranks. Having been in their ranks the more impatient ones, were slow in arriving at the capital. Some of them came with their grips and satchels prepared to make a quick getaway.

Members of both houses were happy over the close of the session. To-night a corporal's guard of representatives of either house will be difficult to round up.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Republican Leader Mann, N. Y., Aug. 22.—On the ninth day of his aeroplane flight from St. Louis to New York, Harry N. Atwood, the aviator, today planned to fly along the 153 mile stretch from Belle Isle, five miles west of here, to Albany. Whether he would be able to make Albany by night, Atwood said was uncertain but that city would be his proposed destination for the day.

He expected to fly over Syracuse, Utica, Amsterdam, Schenectady and the intermediate towns, following directly over the New York Central railroad tracks. He would be compelled to make one stop for gasoline, but he would do so at some unscheduled point and wherever his gasoline happened to give out, which would be after 100 miles sailing. At Belle Isle, where he was forced to land because of darkness, after losing his way while flying between Lyons, N. Y., and Auburn, the aviator was out early putting his biplane in readiness. He found a strong wind blowing, which would delay a start for several hours.

His route for today is Syracuse, five miles, Utica, 38 miles, Schenectady, 136 miles and Albany, 153 miles. If he reaches Albany tonight, Atwood will have flown 1,123 miles from St. Louis. Besides breaking all cross-country flights in America, this will be a near approach to the world's record of 1,164 miles, now held in Europe.

Atwood will have surpassed the world's record when he flies along the Hudson river over Rhine Cliff, when he will have 1,177 miles to his credit. At Albany Atwood will provide his biplane with pontoons for use in case he has to land in the Hudson river or in the ocean after passing over New York.

The exact time of the aviator's appearance over New York city, will depend upon his progress today. From Albany he believes he will make the 142 miles down the Hudson in one day with one intermediate stop. He hopes to sail over New York in mid afternoon so that he may be plainly visible.

Up to 1 o'clock Atwood was still unable to ascend because of high wind. He thought the conditions were improving and said by 3 o'clock he probably would start.

"I expect to fly eastward until darkness overtakes me," said Atwood.

POPE IMPROVES. Rome, Aug. 22.—The condition of the pope continues satisfactory. This morning he walked in the Vatican gardens without special fatigue.

SUMMON MORE JURYMEN IN BEATTIE CASE

By Associated Press. Chesterfield, Va., Aug. 22.—Sheriff Gill was busy today summoning an additional venire of thirty residents of the county for possible jury duty in the Beattie case. There was no session of the court today and Henry C. Beattie, Jr. remained in the Henrico county jail at Richmond.

When court adjourned last night until Wednesday at noon the jury box was filled but four of the 12 jurymen were subject to preemptory challenge by the defense and it was said that all of these challenges would be exercised. This will require the selection of four trial jurors from the panel of thirty to report tomorrow.

For the first time since his arrest more than a month ago on a charge of wife murder, there was made public today the list of witnesses who will be called in the defense of Beattie, who pleaded not guilty when arraigned yesterday. It had been long known that the prosecution had summoned more than sixty witnesses, but not until today was there given any inkling of the defense plans.

The list shows that Beattie's lawyers have summoned 29 witnesses, five of them women. A majority of those summoned are former associates of former fellow employees of Paul Beattie, held as a material witness in the case. Through these the defense will try to break down the cousin Paul's story of having purchased the single-barrel shotgun for Henry three days before the murder.

Several persons who live near the scene of the crime will be called to testify of hearing calls of help and the sounding of an auto horn. The story of the prisoner is that his wife was shot at his side by a mysterious bearded man in the road and that he (Henry) called for aid.

Others to be called in the defendant's behalf are young women who lived near Beattie and his wife during their short married life. They will be asked to support Henry's statements that their home life was all that it should be and that quarrels between them were unknown.

Beattie slept well last night and began the day in the Richmond jail by reading newspapers. In a cell not far away, Beulah Binford, the pretty "girl in the case" retains her serenity.

The entire session tomorrow will be given over to a jury selection and all witnesses have been excused until Thursday.

THE INSURGENT EAGLES FIGHT ANY CHANGES

By Associated Press. San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 22.—Insurgent members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, in attendance on the Grand Aerie in session here, are discussing the advisability of "swapping horses in mid-stream" and naming William J. Brennan, of Pittsburg, as the candidate against Frank E. Hering, of South Bend, Ind., for grand president.

The insurgents, it is said, realize that J. J. Cassack of this city, first named as their candidate for president, has not sufficiently wide acquaintance to make him as strong a candidate as is desired.

The Grand Aerie was organized today with J. S. Parry, of San Francisco, acting as grand president.

Number of Insurance Companies Get Very Severe Criticism

Church to Exploit Boxing Bout

By Associated Press. Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 22.—"To show the general public which does not take advantage of other opportunities just like a boxing bout is staged and how the blows are struck," is the purpose of the members of Unity Methodist church, as expressed in a petition today to the superintendent of police for permission to give two contests by professional pugilists next Thursday night.

Permission was granted. Fighters have been engaged for the bouts, which will be features of a carnival for the benefit of the church's funds.

New Mexico is in Grateful Mood

By Associated Press. Santa Fe, N. M., Aug. 22.—A great mass meeting held here in celebration of New Mexico's admission to the union unanimously adopted a resolution to send a message of gratitude to President Taft.

The severing of the supreme court, Governor Mills and four former governors and many notable visitors made addresses.

The end of the fifty year struggle for admission to the union finds the politicians of both great parties in New Mexico generally prepared to enter the campaign for control of state government, which opens at once.

The republicans base their hopes on the uniform state of the party for the last twelve years. The democrats rely on the vast influx of new persons who have settled the eastern portion of the territory in the last few years. A majority of the new settlers come from Oklahoma, Texas and the other democratic states of the south.

Mrs. Noel Charged With Abduction

By Associated Press. Sparta, N. C., Aug. 22.—Wanted on a charge of abduction in Lexington, N. C., where her husband was sentenced on Saturday to serve fifteen years upon conviction of the same crime, Mrs. Charles Noel, of about 26 years, was arrested here last night, charged with having enticed Clara Bell Gibbs and Verta Kindley, aged 13 and 14 respectively, from their homes at Lexington.

When arrested she was packing her belongings preparatory to leaving the city. She at first denied that she was Mrs. Noel, but upon being confronted by certain letters admitted her identity.

FOR SECOND TIME IN HISTORY GOV. IS SERVED WITH SUBPOENA. By Associated Press. St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 22.—Governor Eberhart, of Minnesota, was subpoenaed to appear before the state board of control today to testify in the hearing of the charges of cruelty preferred against Superintendent Whitties, of the Red Wing Training School. This is the second time in the history of Minnesota that a governor has been served with a subpoena.

Celebrate New Government. By Associated Press. Fort au Prince, Aug. 22.—The American scout cruisers Salem and Chester fired a national salute today in honor of the new government of Cincinatus Lecote which was recognized by the United States last Friday. The possibility of any further trouble here in the near future appears remote.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY JUBILEE DATES. By Associated Press. Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 22.—The Southern extension committee, charged with supervising a series of inter-denominational women's missionary jubilees has given out the following jubilee dates for the South from headquarters here: Norfolk, Oct. 11-12; Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 13-14; Charleston, S. C., Oct. 17-18; Jacksonville, Oct. 20-21; Atlanta, Oct. 24-25; Birmingham, Oct. 27-28; Mobile, Oct. 31-Nov. 1; New Orleans, Nov. 3-4; Memphis Nov. 7-8; Little Rock, Nov. 10-11; Oklahoma City, Nov. 13-14; Houston, Nov. 16-17; San Antonio, Nov. 20-21; Dallas, Nov. 23-24.

The proposed jubilees are the outgrowth of the semi-centennial celebration of woman's missionary board work. It is expected that \$75,000 will be raised by the Southern Jubilees for Missions.

Foresters in Session. By Associated Press. Detroit, Mich., Aug. 22.—Several hundred delegates are in Detroit to attend the national convention of the National Foresters of America, which convenes today and continues until Friday night.

Booker Washington to Speak. By Associated Press. Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 22.—Thousands of members of the Negro Knights of Pythias, attending the session of the supreme lodge and the encampment of the uniform rank at the state fair grounds will be addressed by Booker T. Washington, president of Tuskegee Institute, at the Coliseum tonight.

Big Land Opening. Cass Lake, Minn., Aug. 22.—One hundred and ten men and women are in line waiting for the land opening here today. The area to be opened will make about five hundred 160 acre tracts.

DIEGLE TO MAKE A CONFESSION ABOUT BRIBERY. By Associated Press. Columbus, O., Aug. 22.—At the conclusion of a conference this morning, participated in by Attorney General Hogan, other state officers and Rodney J. Diegle, former sergeant-at-arms of the senate, who was convicted of aiding and abetting bribery in the Ohio legislature, it was announced that Diegle would make a full confession of what he knows of alleged corruptive practices in the last assembly.