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BILL STILL TO  
THE FRONTMany Members Wish to Speak  
and Debate May Run  
Through Tomorrow

## THE SUGAR INQUIRY

Many Democrats Want Caucus to Select the Members Who Are to Investigate the Sugar Trust—No Attempt to Limit Debate on the Statehood Bill and It is Taking More Time Than at First Thought. Ways and Means Committee Deliberating on the Wool Schedule.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, May 17.—The debate in the house on the joint statehood resolution to admit Arizona and New Mexico continued today with the prospect that the discussion probably would not be terminated before tomorrow night. There was much informal discussion before the debate began, by democrats, over the rules committee's action, moving the adoption of the sugar trust resolution of inquiry and nominating a special committee. The house adjourned yesterday while the democrats were fighting on this question, many demanding a caucus to select this committee.

The democratic leaders who hoped to dispose of the statehood bill in two days were surprised to learn today that many on both sides wished to speak. No attempt has been made to limit the debate.

The democratic members of the ways and means committee resumed consideration of the wool schedule of the tariff bill. The committee members were given long lists of figures bearing on importations and revenues derived from wool.

An investigation by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor into "combination of cotton speculators in the United States organized to control prices," with a view to criminal prosecution, was urged in a resolution introduced in the house today by Representative Edwards, of Georgia. Edwards also introduced a resolution urging morning sessions in both of the branches of congress in an effort to hasten the end of the special session.

Prolonged cheers and applause followed a statement in the House by Republican leader Mann, that speaker Clark was being considered by the democratic party for the presidency in 1912. A demonstration started on the floor. The galleries soon joined in. The speaker's face turned red from embarrassment, pounded vigorously with his gavel two minutes before commanding a semblance order.

PEACE IN MEXICO  
SEEMS ASSURED

(By Associated Press.)

Juarez, Mexico, May 17.—Provisional President Francisco Madero, Jr., and Dr. Vazquez, his chief peace commissioner, were in conference this morning concerning the signing of the peace agreement. Judge Carbajal it was expected, would transmit the formal acceptance by the Mexican government of the peace conditions, which means the beginning of an era of tranquility in Mexico.

## WAKE FOREST COMMENCEMENT.

Exercises Begin Tonight With Baccalaureate Sermon—Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, Preacher—Other Exercises Tomorrow.

(Special to The Times)

Wake Forest, May 17.—The commencement exercises of Wake Forest College will begin tonight with the baccalaureate sermon to be delivered by Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick, D.D., of Montclair, N. J.

Tomorrow afternoon the class day exercises, always one of the most enjoyable events of commencement,

will be held. The class orator is Jack Ellis, of Lee county.

The magnificent drinking fountain, the gift of the senior class to the college, will be presented to the college by President Asa P. Gray and will be accepted on behalf of the college by President Potat.

On Friday morning at 11 o'clock the class orations will be delivered, after which the diplomas will be presented and the baccalaureate address of President Potat. At night there will be a reception in the society halls.

One of the most attractive features of the commencement will be the presentation of the portrait of Rev. Samuel T. Waitt, the founder and first president of Wake Forest College. The portrait, which is presented by his relatives, will occupy a prominent place in Wingate Memorial Hall. It is to be presented Thursday morning.

## POTASH DISPUTE SETTLED.

Conference Reaches Full Agreement—Text Being Drafted.

(By Associated Press.)  
Hamburg, Ger., May 17.—American Potash Conference reached a full agreement regarding the prices of potash and for the adjustment of supply and demand. The text of the agreement is now being drafted. New contracts will be arranged immediately. The conference was attended by Peter B. Bradley, William Bradley, James L. Gifford and other representatives of the American Potash interests and the German Potash syndicate. Details of the agreement are not made known. Preliminary German inspired statements intimate some increase in the American price involved. The most difficult problem in the potash negotiations was furnished by exacting contracts with German independent companies by which the Americans are bound for a long time. The adjustment of these contracts is left to Americans.

## TRIAL OF MAYOR CUTCHIN.

Sensational Trial in Roanoke—Mayor Accused.

(By Associated Press.)  
Roanoke, Va., May 17.—The trial of Mayor Cutchin, charged with malfeasance in office, was marked by the sensational testimony of Maggie Ferguson, a negro, recently convicted and sentenced to eight years for harboring a white girl under 17 years of age for immoral purposes. The woman testified about various visits to Cutchin's office, and what it is alleged transpired there.

The negro testified she opened a disorderly house, with white girls as inmates, with the mayor's permission.

## Reciprocity in Senate.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, May 17.—Senator Stone, of Missouri, announced in the senate finance committee at the hearing on the reciprocity and free list bills that he would soon press for a vote on reciprocity.

An unsuccessful attempt was made by the committee to fix the time to close the dual hearings.

## Southern Baptist Convention.

(By Associated Press.)  
Jacksonville, Fla., May 17.—Thousands of delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention arrived this morning, augmenting the hundreds here earlier. The meeting was opened this afternoon by President Joshua Levering, of Baltimore. The Southern Baptist Educational Conference convened this morning to discuss Baptist educational matters with special reference to the establishment of a Baptist school here.

## Fire Endangered Milliners.

(By Associated Press.)  
New York, May 17.—One hundred milliners in an East Side factory poured out by fire-escapes and down flights of burning stairs when fire broke out below them on the first floor. Several fainting. An unknown man braved flames and carried 14 women from the building.

## Mrs. Runcie Dead.

(By Associated Press.)  
St. Joseph, Mo., May 17.—Mrs. Constance Fauntleroy Runcie, author, musical composer, and organizer of the first woman's club in America, died today at Winnetka, Ill., sanitarium, aged 75. She organized a woman's club at New Harmony, Ind., in 1859.

## Forty Thousand People Burned Out.

(By Associated Press.)  
Harbin, Manchuria, May 17.—Forty thousand persons homeless at Kirin, as the result of a recent conflagration. The money loss is twenty million dollars. Four thousand shops, fifteen banks and about a thousand other buildings were destroyed.

## Meeting of Negro Democrats.

Indianapolis, May 17.—Negro National Democratic Convention opened for three days' session today. Over two hundred delegates are attending. H. S. Greene of Georgia, is chairman; W. H. Grant, former auditor in the treasury department, secretary. The convention will outline the party's policy in the next campaign.



Mrs. William B. Leeds, widow of the American multi-millionaire, who, in a speech before a coterie of wealthy Americans now temporarily residing in Paris, declared that she had discovered a plot on the part of French detective agencies to furnish fortune-hunting noblemen with information regarding eligible American women of prominence in the financial world. Mrs. Leeds declares that she, herself, has been placed on the market by these would-be marriage brokers. The matter has been brought to the attention of the authorities and it is expected that a thorough investigation with many arrests will follow.

## BONDS FOR EVERYBODY

## Government Asking For General Subscription

Seventy-seven Mail Bags Filled With Invitations to the Public to Bid For These Bonds—Effort to Make New Loan Popular.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, May 17.—Seventy-seven mail bags filled with invitations to the public to bid for Uncle Sam's new bonds left here this morning. Every one of twenty-three thousand National bank, state banks, trust companies, or which the treasury has record, will receive one of the official circulars and bidding slips. The man who wants to lend one hundred, five hundred or a thousand dollars to the government at three per cent interest can learn all about the particulars by seeing his banker. To make the new fifty million dollar loan announced last night as popular as possible the treasury will accept the ordinary check, payable through clearing house checks, and postal orders in payment. Small bidders will receive first attention which will make it possible for the individual investor to deal directly with the government instead of the bond dealer. Six weeks will probably elapse before the successful bidders are announced. The prices they will pay for the securities is conjecture, but estimates put in somewhere between par and 100. By this issue of fifty millions, Uncle Sam will owe his people about \$25,000,000, upon which various rates of interest are paid. Money from the new issue will be used to partially reimburse the treasury for money advanced to Panama Canal.

SENSATIONAL BIDS  
FOR SPOT COTTON

New Orleans, May 17.—Sensational bids at the market price for a hundred thousand bales each of May and June cotton and an offer of one-eighth over exchange quotations for any or all spot cotton in New Orleans startled the cotton market today.

The new bids were offered by Frank B. Hayne, the bull leader. He added to the challenge by declaring the bid for spots over the market price were open all day and covered anything from low ordinary grade to fair. Bear leaders scrambled into the ring but they looked gingerly before leaping into the fray offered by the bull chief. One house gave him 900 bales of May on his bid for a hundred thousand bales. Hayne yelled for more.

On this transaction Hayne paid \$1.10 per bale more than the cotton exchange quotations said spot was worth. The eight hundred bales of May handed him by the bears was apparently all the ammunition the short side had for it was all the cotton that went in Hayne's direction. A bid of an eighth over the quotations for all spots in the city was one of the most remarkable offers ever made in this market. The health of W. P. Brown, who always until a few months ago has been in the lead on the bull side, continues bad. Hayne is virtually carrying on the bull campaign single handed.

## WOULD CHANGE NAME

Greater Raleigh Club Proposed  
By Committee

Would Change Name—Recommended That Chamber of Commerce be Merged into Greater Organization—Mass-meeting to Determine Matter.

A proposition to merge the chamber of commerce into the Greater Raleigh Club was made and discussed at the monthly meeting of the chamber last night, and a mass-meeting will be held later to decide on the matter. In its report to the chamber the committee on reorganization recommended the merger, together with a campaign for more members, an extension of the usefulness of the organization, and fuller publicity of the work of the club. Col. Fred A. Olds made a report of the work he had done as secretary during the past month.

The committee is composed of the following: Messrs. Clarence H. Poe, R. F. Montague, Joseph E. Pogue, W. H. Williamson, Chas. E. Johnson, George W. Lay and Fred A. Olds. The recommendations are as follows:

## Report of Re-organization.

At the meeting of your committee on membership, it was decided:

1. To recommend that the chamber of commerce be merged into "The Greater Raleigh Club."

2. It was further decided to recommend to the chamber of commerce that at the monthly meeting, on May 16th, arrangements be made for a general mass-meeting to be held as early as practicable under the auspices of the chamber of commerce, the Merchants' Association and the captains of the companies of the Young Men's Christian Association, the object being the formation of the "Greater Raleigh Club" in this way, and that the new organization assume all the duties, responsibilities and liabilities of the chamber of commerce.

3. This "Greater Raleigh Club" shall be expected to forward every movement looking to Raleigh's growth and development, and the increased fees and increased membership should provide a fund sufficient to give proper financial support to numerous plans for which private subscriptions must now be taken, especially the duties of hospitality for all organizations meeting here or corporations and individuals likely to locate here.

4. That the annual dues be \$10, provided that persons under thirty-five years old may be received upon payment of \$5 a year, and persons under twenty-five, \$3 a year, provided that ladies may be admitted to membership in the "Greater Raleigh Club," the prescribed dues being \$3.

5. Provided that citizens of Raleigh be urged to contribute to the "Greater Raleigh Club" sums anywhere from \$5 to \$100 annually in addition to their required annual dues, and that such members shall be known as contributing members and listed as such in the membership rolls of the club. The amount so contributed by each member shall also be published in the annual reports.

6. It shall still further recommend that a committee be named at the organization meeting to solicit additional membership in the "Greater Raleigh Club," and that a circular letter be sent to all prospective members accompanied by a post card to be signed with a pledge to attend a meeting to form the said club; that by solicitation personally and by correspondence promises be secured to attend this meeting.

7. The membership committees recommends that at the meetings of the new organization speeches by members be limited to five minutes; no one person to make more than two speeches at one session, except by unanimous consent.

8. We recommend that all receipts and disbursements be published September 1st, and March 1st, each year, and that a copy of this report be sent to each member.

## Morse and Walsh Cases.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, May 17.—President Taft will probably announce the disposition of the pardon cases of Charles W. Morse, of New York, and John R. Walsh, of Chicago, convicted bankers, this week. The president has read the voluminous reports in both cases and considered carefully the arguments presented by counsel.



Queen Mary of England, whose arbitrary rule in the world of English fashion has eliminated from the British court the hobble skirt, large hats and the pyramids of false hair so much in vogue in Europe. Queen Mary, since ascending the British throne has shown a determination to supervise the toilets of the ladies of the court that has amounted to a passion and has created a great deal of discussion among those who hold to their personal liberty as a constitutional asset.

## SERVED WITHOUT PAY

## Members of Monetary Commission Get No Pay

Facts Which Will Be Disclosed by Treasury Reply to House Resolution of Inquiry—Chairman Also Paid His Own Traveling Expenses, Status of Present Members.

Washington, May 17.—The reply which the treasury department will make to the house resolution, inquiring how much money has been expended by the national monetary commission and for what purpose, will disclose that ex-Senator Aldrich, the chairman of the commission, has never received any salary as a member of the commission, and has not drawn any money for traveling expenses since the commission made its trip to Europe.

When, at the close of the last congress, the vacancies on the commission were filled with "lame ducks," that is, members of the house and senate who had failed of re-election, there followed, naturally, just and severe criticism both in congress and out of it. It may be said that the members of the commission who are interested in the work they are doing, and concerned to get a fair and unprejudiced hearing for the report that will be submitted to congress next December, resented the appointment of the "lame ducks" as much as anybody else. They felt:

MR. F. A. THOMPSON  
VISITOR IN RALEIGH

Mr. F. A. Thompson, field secretary of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, is in the city, stopping at the Raleigh, having arrived from Beaufort, where he inspected the inland waterway, which he finds is being used a great deal. This is Mr. Thompson's first visit to Raleigh and he was given a pep at the city and at the museum. It is possible that he may make a talk while here.

## Aviator Killed.

(By Associated Press)

Los Angeles, Cal., May 17.—A. W. Hardlee, an amateur aviator, was killed at Dominguez field, trying out an aeroplane. Hardlee came here recently from Ohio, and made several successful flights.

## Bomb Explosion Startles Sleepers.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, May 17.—Hotel district had a severe shock this morning from a bomb explosion near West Forty-fourth street and Broadway. The explosion caused consternation among the sleepers in the big hotels. The police were called to quiet the excitement.

However, that they were in no position to make open complaint because of their previous relations as members of congress with the newly appointed members of the commission. Senator Aldrich is not the only member of the commission who has declined to accept salary for his services since leaving congress. Secretary Knox, who was named to the commission while serving as senator from Pennsylvania, has never accepted any pay. Ex-Senator Hale, who retired on March 4 last from congress, has taken one month's salary since that time, but has told his associates that the money was accepted for inadvertently, in a way of speaking, and that he would decline further salary as a member of the commission.

Ex-Senator Flint of California, ex-Senator Talferro of Florida, and ex-Representative McLachlan of California, who were named members of the commission shortly before their terms in congress expired last March, have not declared their intention about accepting pay for their services on the commission. It is the hope and assumption of their associates that they will follow the example of Mr. Aldrich, Mr. Knox, and Mr. Hale. The common understanding here is that none of them is in actual need of the salary, as a necessary contribution to his means of livelihood.

The present members of the commission who were in congress at the time of their original appointment, but who have since been retired, are: Ex-Senators Burrows of Michigan, Money of Mississippi, and Teller of Colorado, and ex-Representative Bonny of California. Their status as recipients of salary is different from the newly appointed members. As members of the commission while serving in congress, they received a salary of \$7,500 a year as members of the house and senate, and continued to be paid at the same rate, but as members of the commission, after their retirement from congress. Whether they will now follow Senator Aldrich's example remains to be seen. They have not ample reason to decline to receive any payment for their work as members of the monetary commission as have the newly appointed members.

The members of the monetary commission who have done the most work and given the most thought to the report to be submitted to congress are exceedingly interested that it shall have a fair and unprejudiced consideration not only in congress, but before the country. That is why they were restless under the appointments made by Vice-president Sherman and Speaker Cannon at the close of the last congress. They recognized that if the commission came to be thought of simply as a repository for "lame ducks," its prestige and value would be considerably impaired.

The total expenditures of the monetary commission since it was created have been \$267,130.48. A summary of this total may be subdivided under six heads distributed as follows:

Monographs	\$ 86,861.92
Library	8,795.70
Salaries, clerical	29,791.82
Traveling expenses	35,412.34
Miscellaneous	2,518.70
Salaries, commission	43,750.00

Total \$267,130.48

The treasury department will send to the house next week a detailed report of the expenditures of the commission under the various items as set forth above. It has been commonly believed that the expenses of the commission had been much larger than the report of the treasury department will show.

## NOT TO ACT ON INCOME TAX.

## Resolution in Pennsylvania Senate May Go Over Two Years.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 17.—The joint resolution ratifying the income tax amendment to the Federal Constitution was referred today to the Senate Committee on Finance. The resolution has passed the House, but it is not expected to get through the Senate. It is said that the resolution will probably be referred to the committee which is inquiring into and advising the revenue laws of the State. This commission will not make a report until the next legislative session two years hence.

## SALUTE OLD SLOOP.

## Battleship Fires Salute Over Resting Place of Old War Sloop.

(By Associated Press)

Angola, La., May 17.—While the ship's band played and her blue jackets stood at "Present," the big battleship Idaho's guns woke the echoes in a salute over the resting place of the old wooden war sloop Mississippi of Admiral Farragut's fleet. The Mississippi was sunk by the Confederate batteries at Port Hudson on the Mississippi River during the Civil war. The Idaho is cruising up the river far as Vicksburg.

SELECT SITE  
FOR BUILDING  
NEXT WEEK

General Committee of Y. M. C. A. Has Been Actively At Work

## MR. DUNCAN DECLINES

Baltimore Man, Called as General Secretary, Unable to Accept—Will Get Somebody Else—First Payment on Subscriptions Are Due June 1—Several Options Secured on Suitable Sites for Handsome Structure.

When the general committee of the Raleigh Young Men's Christian Association meets the first of next week—on Monday or Tuesday—the announcement will most likely be made of the securing of a site for the building. The committee has been working quietly but effectively the past few weeks and as a result it has options on several sites, one of which will undoubtedly be selected.

The first payments on the subscriptions are not to be made until June 1 and by that time the executive and general committees will have completed their preliminary work and the public will have had full knowledge of the plans. Mr. Cary J. Hunter is chairman of both committees and Col. Fred A. Olds is secretary.

Until the committee meets the site cannot be given for publication, but the committee believes that the public generally will be pleased.

## Mr. Duncan Declines.

Chairman Hunter last night received a letter from Mr. W. L. Duncan, of the Baltimore association, announcing that he could not accept the call to become general secretary of the Raleigh association. The committee will take the matter up with other Y. M. C. A. executives, and in a short time another secretary will be called.

## Bogart Pleads Guilty.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, May 17.—Samuel S. Bogart, also president of the United Wireless Company, one of the officers indicted for financing the mail, pleaded guilty. Sentence is not to be imposed until other defendants are tried. They include Col. C. C. Wilson, president, charged with sending out literature representing the corporation as making money when it is alleged it was losing.

## President to Speak.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, May 17.—President Taft formally accepted an invitation to attend a banquet of the National Association of Cotton Seed Crushers at New York, June 8th. The same afternoon the President reviews a parade of Brooklyn Sunday School children.

CROWD OF VETERANS  
AT THE REUNION

(By Associated Press)

Little Rock, May 17.—The selection of next year's meeting place is the principal task confronting the visiting soldiers to the twenty-first reunion of the United Confederate Veterans. Tomorrow the annual parade occurs.

More veterans are here for the reunion than at any previous Confederate gathering. There will not be the same number of marching southern soldiers at the parade tomorrow as at other reunions. The weight of years will deter hundreds of veterans from attempting to march in the broiling temperature. Two veterans are already stricken. One died of heart disease.

A monument to the Capital City guards of Arkansas was unveiled in the presence of a large crowd today.

## Hollins McKim Dead.

(By Associated Press)

Baltimore, May 17.—Hollins McKim, a prominent banker, died today of the infirmities of age. He was 79 years old.