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Senator Simmons, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the United States Senate, has an attack of the measles. The Senator has pulled through more situations than an attack of the measles can cause and there is every reason to believe that he will be out with flying colors in the course of a few days.

Says the Wilmington Star: The worst part about the death of General Sickles is that modern journalism made it the occasion of revealing all sad and bad episodes in an eventful life. He was an old man, but the days of his youth were recalled and everything that could be remembered against him was printed as a part of his obituary. In the death of some men there is a story beginning with his earlier days on earth and ending with his last day on earth. One of the worst things for a man to have along about the time he dies is a past that follows him to the grave.

Mr. Voter: The primary is to be held tomorrow and you will have an opportunity of casting a ballot for the man who you desire to represent this district in Congress. Take into consideration the past good work of Hon. Charles R. Thomas, think of the advantage his long affiliation with the Congressional body will give him and send to Washington a man who can and will do the district good.

THEY WON'T TAKE A HALF LOAF

The A. B. C. mediators are said to be considering a proposition for the government of Mexico which contemplates the retirement of Huerta and the placing of the government into the hands of a commission of five men, two by the Constitutionals and a fifth chosen by the mediators.

Among several objections which might be urged against this proposition the most obvious is that it hardly would be accepted by Carranza and Villa. True, they thus would be given a voice in the government equal to that enjoyed by the Federals, assuming that the fifth member of the commission would not lean to either side. But we have no doubt, judging Carranza and Villa by their course during the past month or two, that they will refuse absolutely to accept simply a voice in the government when they are in a fair way to have absolute control of the country, without having to share authority with anybody.

The Constitutionals are pushing ahead towards the capital, and it is a matter of but a short time, unless all signs fail, when Huerta will be a fugitive, a prisoner or a corpse. With Huerta eliminated there would be no opposition to the Constitutionals worthy of the name.

Carranza and Villa are not participating in the negotiations looking to establishment of peace. They declined to send representatives, although it is stated that this invitation still is open. It is doubtful whether it will be accepted. It is entirely natural that Carranza and Villa should decline to enter upon negotiations looking to a half loaf when they are in a position to win the whole loaf, and that in a very short time.

In a card in the Onslow Progress, the Hon. Lige Koonce, erstwhile candidate for Congress, from Onslow, intimates that he is intending to pay his respects to several persons in this district a little later on. The Hon. Lige is a heavyweight of the first water and we would advise those parties of whom he is on the trail, to seek the tall timber at once if not "oncr."

Mr. Voter—Today you will cast your ballot for a man to represent this district in Congress. Think well before taking the final step. Review the past work of the various candidates and vote for the man whom you know can do things. Hon. Charles R. Thomas is such a man. Send him to Congress and this district will be well and faithfully represented.

Tomorrow morning we confidently believe that we will be able to assure the citizens of this district that Hon. Charles R. Thomas, candidate for Congress from this district, will have been nominated. Indications now point that way and if his hundreds of ardent admirers will rally to his support there is not the least doubt but that he will be the fortunate candidate.

CONGRESS AND GOOD ROADS.

Federal legislation comes thick and fast these days, and despite the fact that attention is concentrated on a few important bills, there is a feeling among Congressmen that it takes about so long for a bill to work through, anyway. Introduced by one member of Congress, reintroduced by another in the next

Congress, some bills keep introduced again and again until some day they are passed.

"Good roads" enthusiasts have been deeply interested in a bill recently introduced by Congressman Woodruff, for the construction and maintenance of good roads in the various states and territories. The measure provides for transferring the matter of public roads to the Department of Agriculture and the Bureau of Postal Roads in the Post Office Department. A director would be empowered to appoint assistants in the various states and territories to inspect the roads. In the bill, the roads are classified alphabetically from A to H and one Washington wit insisted that they could get in all the rest of the Alphabet, including X, Y and Z, if the varied conditions of country roads were classified.

The basic purpose of the bill is to have the government provide a proposition of the cost of constructing the roads—the cities and towns must do the rest. Mr. Woodruff has given the matter a great deal of study, and insists that if the government can build railroads in Alaska, it should be able to provide at least passable roads along postal highways in our own country. The subject of "good roads" has now reached a point where, it is felt by many, something besides "talking" should be done.

Says the Statesville Landmark—Men who attain prominence in life are subject to the same ills of the flesh that harass the humblest citizen. Not long ago Senator Simmons had a spell with a bad tooth and had to give up his duties in the Senate for a time on account thereof. Now he is down with a "blomin'" case of measles, a disease statesmen are supposed to have endured in boyhood. In addition to having the measles himself, the Senator has probably spread the disease far and wide, for he was stirring about the Senate while the fever was on him (not knowing what the trouble was) and the Senators and others with whom he came in contact, who have not had measles, will probably have cause to remember him in a couple of weeks or so.

ANOTHER VICTORY FOR THE JOURNAL.

For the past five months the Journal has predicted that Hon. Charles R. Thomas would be nominated for Congress from this district. Time and again he has exploited the ability of Mr. Thomas, told of his real worth as a statesman and urged the voters to cast their ballots for him. Yesterday the primary was held in the Third District and from reports received here last night there is no doubt but that Mr. Thomas has won. The other candidates put up a hard fight and it will be some satisfaction to them in their defeat to know that they and their friends did their best and put forth every effort to gain the desired end.

In some sections of the district Mr. Thomas' first choice vote was not so large while in others it was all that could be desired and such as to assure him the nomination unless careful calculation has gone wrong. George E. Hood of Wayne county is a close second to Mr. Thomas and has polled many first and second choice votes all over the district and this shows conclusively that he had many friends in all parts of the district. However, there is every reason to believe that Mr. Thomas' first choice votes are much more numerous than five of the other candidates.

FIVE THOUSAND BAIL FOR ALLEGED SLAYER.

(Special to the Journal)
 LOUISA, VA., May 16.—Finally charged with the murder of her husband, Mrs. Victor Hall was arraigned in the Circuit Court today. She was admitted to bail in the sum of \$5,000, with the understanding that she leave the country immediately. She will probably remain in Richmond until the case is called for trial.

MRS. VICTOR HALL TOLD TO LEAVE LOUISA COUNTY.

Judge Shackelford said, in releasing Mrs. Hall: "I understand you have relatives in the city of Richmond. It would probably be more comfortable for you there than anywhere else."

Relatives of Mrs. Hall reside in Buckingham and Cumberland counties. It is believed, however, that she will make a temporary home with her relatives in Richmond. It is stipulated that Mrs. Hall may come to Louisa to consult with her attorney, R. Lindsay Gordon. She will not be allowed to visit her friends, nor to remain other than for business with her counsel.

Judge Shackelford set the second day of July term as the date upon which the trial will begin. Mrs. Hall took the decision of the judge with coolness. She had just reached the courthouse from the Louisa Hotel, where she spent the night. Late yesterday afternoon Mrs. Hall was arrested at Green Spring. She spent much of the day yesterday moving her personal effects from the store to the home of her father-in-law, Nicholas W. Hall.

Mrs. Hall finally left the store with Mrs. Nicholas Hall, Misses Essie and Mamie Dunkum, her daughters, and a negro girl. The store was securely barred and locked. Within less than an hour the store was discovered to be on fire. The fire was in the par-

try, precisely where the other fire was started night before last.

As soon as the news of the second attempt to burn the store reached Louisa a bench warrant was issued by the judge. The sheriff and a number of others hurried to Green Spring, placed Mrs. Hall under arrest and brought her back to the courthouse.

BODY OF BISHOP LYMAN TO REST IN A VAULT.

(Special to the Journal)
 RALEIGH, N. C., May 16.—Workmen are busy with the installation of a vault in the new Church of the Good Shepherd, designated as the cathedral for the diocese of North Carolina, in which the body of Bishop T. B. Lyman will be deposited. It is directly under the chancel. Bishop Lyman, one of the earlier Bishops of the diocese, was consecrated about the time the Good Shepherd parish was established forty years ago and was always especially devoted to the welfare of the parish, leaving a substantial bequest to the congregation. In addition to the vault for the remains of the Bishop, one of the several massive marble pillars is set aside for him as a memorial.

One of the special features of the consecration of the diocese of North Carolina in the Church of the Good Shepherd next week will be that for the removal of the remains of the beloved Bishop from the grave in Oakwood cemetery and depositing it in the vault in the church.

HARRY WHEELER CANNOT SERVE ON THE BOARD.

(Special to the Journal)
 WASHINGTON, May 16.—Harry A. Wheeler, of Chicago, vice-president of the Continental Trust Company, has declined a membership upon the Federal Reserve Board. President Wilson has received a letter from Mr. Wheeler expressing his regret that he is unable to accept the appointment recently offered him because of business connections which he cannot sever.

The president now has two places to fill on the board, Richard Olney of Boston having declined appointment to membership last week. Dr. Adolph C. Miller of San Francisco, Paul M. Warburg of New York City, and W. P. G. Harding of Birmingham, Ala., have all accepted.

Selection of some one from the Middle West, either Chicago or St. Louis, and some one from New England to preserve a geographical balance on the board is expected. One of the two to be selected will be a republican. The president is approaching the task slowly and is not expected to decide finally for another week on the other two. It is unlikely that the first three names will be sent to the senate until the list is completed.

The White House was silent today as to men who are uppermost in the president's mind. It was stated he had made no definite decisions.

FUNERAL DIRECTORS GO TO HENDERSON NEXT.

(Special to the Journal)
 WINSTON-SALEM, May 16.—The annual election of officers of the State Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association yesterday resulted as follows: President, L. F. Zeigler, Edenton; first vice-president, W. L. Bell, Concord; second vice-president, Frank Volger, Winston-Salem; third vice-president, J. L. Stephens, Lumberton; secretary-treasurer, J. Robert Wood, Oxford.

The Traveling Salesmen Auxiliary elected officers at the same time as follows: President, J. W. Shuff; vice president, E. A. Carlisle; secretary-treasurer, M. H. Hayes. Representative to the National Funeral Directors Convention are E. Poole of Greensboro, T. W. Summersett of Salisbury, and J. F. Crouse of Winston-Salem. Burlington, Greensboro and Henderson applied for permission to entertain the 1915 convention, Henderson being chosen by ballot, largely through the influence of D. W. Hardee from that town.

The meeting this morning was favored with a splendid address by Dr. T. E. Anderson of the State Board of Health and another by Doctor Bahnsen of this city. Reports of committees were read and adopted and the remainder of the day was given over to social functions, including an elaborate barbecue served at one of the city parks.

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The Mediators Will Not Get Together Until Wednesday

Huerta's Representatives Have Been Delayed--Zapata Reported To Be Advancing On Mexico City. Huerta's Life In Danger

QUIET AT TAMPICO

(Special to the Journal)
 WASHINGTON, May 15.—A dispatch received tonight from Admiral Mayo who is at Tampico, says that conditions there have quieted down today and that the Constitutionals are restoring things to their natural condition and have promised the protection of oil interests there.

The administration refuses to discuss the question of permitting the Constitutionals to import arms into Tampico. If this is done it is feared that complications might follow. Federal gunboats located at Tampico today departed for Puerto, Mexico but it is believed that they will return and blockade the city.

MEDIATION WILL BE SUCCESSFUL

(Special to the Journal)
 WASHINGTON, May 15.—Confidence that the mediation ultimately would be successful, despite the temporary delay, was expressed by cabinet officers after today's cabinet meeting. One member said confidence in mediation was growing strong each day and that the possibility of war rapidly was diminishing.

The shipment of arms into Tampico from countries other than the United States was not discussed at the cabinet meeting but one of the cabinet officers in close touch with Mexican affairs said he did not believe the American government would attempt to interfere with foreign shipments in any way. The cabinet meeting brought out no vital developments, the discussion about policy being brief and general. Speaking of the postponement of the mediation conference, Secretary Bryan said he thought the Huerta delegates wanted the extra two days because their journey was long and connections were close. He said he knew no definite reason for the postponement other than the personal gates.

Held For Ransom.
 (Special to the Journal)
 WASHINGTON, May 15.—The Italian assassin here today made representations to the state department in behalf of F. E. Teza, an Italian representative of the Eagle Oil Company, at Monterey, Mexico, reported held for 10,000 pesos ransom by the Constitutionals.

The department assured the ambassador that every effort would be made to secure information and to obtain the release of Teza if he was held.

HUERTA'S DOWNFALL

(Special to the Journal)
 WASHINGTON, May 15.—The mediation conference which was to have been held on Monday at Niagara Falls will not be held on that day. A message received today from Huerta's representatives stated that they had been delayed and would not be able to reach Niagara Falls until Tuesday night and the conference has been postponed until Wednesday.

Huerta has informed the mediators that it is entirely satisfactory with him that the United States has occupied Lobos Island.

EL PASO, TEX., MAY 15.—

The Constitutional forces claim that the capture of Tampico assures the downfall of Provisional President Huerta as it will augment Villa's forces to a hundred thousand for a campaign against Mexico City. It is reported that Huerta's forces are diminishing rapidly.

A message from Mexico City says that Zapata is reported to be at Topilejo, ten miles South of the city, with five thousand followers who are pillaging the country. Reinforcements have been sent out to check his advance. Refugees report that army officers are openly talking of assassinating Huerta. The mutinous spirit is spreading and desertions are increasing rapidly.

THE FEDERAL LEAGUE MAY BE RULING POWER

(By Frank G. Menke.)
 NEWYORK, May 6.—It wouldn't be surprising if the Federal League became the ruling power in baseball before another year rolls around. The minor leagues just now are threatening to break loose from the American and National Leagues and form an alliance with the Federals. If they do it means the taking away from those 1799 major league organizations the

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