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TELEGRAPH SERVICE

## Senate Eliminates Future Filibuster

By Vote of 76 To 3 Colotures Two Thirds back from the border, has scoured the Rule To Limit Debate

#### LA FOLLETE--GORMAN-SHERMAN ON NEGATIVE SIDE

State Library

The new rule provides that on petition of sixteen senators to close debate on a pending measure the Senate by a two-thirds vote on the following day but one, may limit debate thereafter to one hour to each senator. It includes provisions to prevent dilatory tactics and providing for the jobless warriors. the introduction after cloture is ordered of amendments not germane to the pending bill.

Senators LaFollette and Gronna, two of those who opposed the armed neutrality bill, and Senator Sherman, who favored it, cast the negative votes. Senators Cummins, Kenyon, Kirby, Lane Norris, Stone and Vardaman, who were against the armed neutrality bill, voted for the amendment. Colleagues of most of the senators absent announced that if they had been present they would have supported

The exact use of the rule will not become apparent until it is enforced but it probably cannot be successfully used to prevent the spectacular one-man filibusters by which senators have talked bills pending in the closing hours of a session to a legislative grave. Such filibusters probably cannot be prevented unless forseen, but an organized affair which must be planned two days or more ahead before a session's end can be disposed of easily.

## Germany's Plot Being Uncovered

NEW YORK, March 8 .- That Dr. Chandre Chakraberty, Hindu physician, and Ernest Sekunna, a German chemist, received more than \$60,000 from Wolf von Igel, a member of the staff of Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador in the United States, upon the order of Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, German foreign minister, with which to foment a rebellion in India, was reported tonight to have been presented to a special Federal grand jury here.

The information was contained in papers conficcated in the govern ment's raid on von Igel's offices in Wall Street while seeking evidence in the plot against the Welland Canal. The papers were officially used by the government for the first time today, it was stated, their utilization having heretofore been prevented by the vigorous protests of Count von Bernstorff.

Although Dr. Chakraberty and Sekunna spent some of the money which they obtained from von Igel in \$3,000 and \$4,000 pay ments, the authorities are making an investigation into a large sum said to have been invested in Dr. Chakraberty's name. He has \$15, 000 in savings banks, \$15,000 invested in negotiable securities and title to two houses in New York City, the government claims.

Both suspects were taken to the Tombs to spend the night when their bail bonds of \$25,000 each were suddenly cancelled today by their bonding company. An official of the company declared i had acted through patriotic motives.

## Ambassador to Japan Dies At Tokio 8th

WASHINGTON, March 8.—George W. Guthrie, American ambassador to Japan since 1913, died suddenly of apoplexly today at Tokio.

The affairs of the embassy have been taken over by Post Wheeler, the first secretary, who will act as charge until a new am- Mr. W. F. Pate, one of the instructions much water, or much acidity bassador is named.

Mr. Guthrie, a Pittsburgh lawyer, prominent in National De mocratic circles for many years, was among the first diplomatic representatives appointed by President Wilson. He sailed for Japan in July, 1913, and has been at his post constantly since that time except for a short visit to the United States in 1915. He has acted for his government in several important diplomatic exchanges with Japan, including the California anti-alien controversy.

#### Marines Santago

SANTIAGO, March 9.—The four hundred United States marines of the cruiser Olympia, the gunboats Petrel and Machias, and the mine layer, San Francisco, are still in charge of Santiago, and under. that quiet is being restored.

Further fighting is however reported in surrounding villages between the insurrectionists and government troops, but no serious results have been reported.

Uncle Sam Finding Jobs

WASHINGTON, March 9.-Uncle Sam's nation-wide Employment Service ever since the troops began to filter land, job hunting for the miliatiamen Congress would be called not later than who quit their places to go south.

Militia organizations and their friends have assisted, the press has done its bit, and the response from the employing public, employment officials declare has been unprecedented.

Employment offices at Denver, Helena X ity, Minneapolis, Boston, New Orleans and Chicago, reported success notified, and the jobs listed with the in the job-hunting campaign. Large commanding officers. employers of labor as well as the prisiastically co-operating in the work of campaign.

ganizations in the various districts are in charge of the work stated today.

Extra Session Of Congress

WASHINGTON, March 7-When Representative Kitchin, the Democratic leader of the House, left for home today his parting information to his colleagues was that an extra session of the middle of May. Mr. Kitchin made this prediction after a conference with President Wilson, although a Cabinet member was authority for the statement yesterday that an extra session is unlikely before "the first of June or the last of May."

Even the women section of the Emvate businessman, are reported enthu- ployment Service is lending aid in the

"There will be more jobs than there As fast as the positions come into are men to fill them," Commissioner the employment offices, the militia or- Caminetti of the Immigration Bureau,

## News From The State Capitol

RALEIGH, N. C., March 8.—The last of the legislators have gone to their respective homes, excepting a few who linger for one reason and another personal to themselves.

The Senate and House did not complete their work till Wed nesday afternoon, formal adjournment sine die being taken at 2 o'clock.

#### Auditing Bill Yields Up Its Ninth Life

One of the last bills to be ratified was the one which always causes a wrangle—the fisheries bill.

The last measure to be rejected anew for the "steenth" time was the publishers bill to regulate the rate for printing legal advertisements in newspapers-one and the only one in which the country weekly newspapers of the State were financially interested. Again for the forty-'leventh time it was of the verge of enactment and ran against a fatal snag. This time it was Ray of Macon (who lives in a section of county where a silver dollar looks as big as a cart wheel base to the country newspaper of Macon county at Franklin) who fought it and killed it by a threat to raise the point of "no quorum" if its passage was insisted upon. So the "office cat" is dead again. The figures in the bill in its last attempt to get through were 5 and 3 cents per insertion, per line. Every country newspaper in the State ought to refuse to print an ad for any lawyer for less than that sum They can compel the rate if they couldn't get it enacted into law. majority of both houses really did not object, but a score or so re peatedly defeated it by "parliamentary tactics," so called.

#### Not More Than An Average Body

Toward the close of the session this legislature redeemed itsel in large for effectiveness. The first month it occomplished but little. But during the last two or three weeks it has made a reputation for progressiveness and more brain-power than was exhibited at firstthat was sadly lacking in evidence, it may be added early in the ses-

These were few really big men and there were more than the average "little fellows." But this unbalanced situation was relieved largely by the presence of a full quota of legislators of "good horse sense," although they were green, raw and cursed until lacked ef fectiveness. Therefore a few "leaders" used the halter as industri ously as they saw fit and not only led the mediocre "talent" to the horse trough but compelled them to drink, as usual.

For this little bit of advertising, the whole bunch gets it free although it is well worth the legal rate asked for by the newspaper publishers and the N. C. Press Association.

## Address By W. F. Tate

OF LIME

lime as fertilization.

His discussion took the form of personal questions, which he answered, at any time. In the winter usually, such as, way lime, what's in the soil but the best time is when the soil i to make it alive?

bacteria (which takes the place of the works down and not upward. blood in the human body) the soil is

What form and in what quantity stone.

ADDRESS BY W. F. PATE ON USE should this lime be used? That depends upon the soil? On lands where tors of the N. C. State A. & E. college burned lime is best as it contains more formerly known as the A. & M. of Ral- heat, but in sandy soils pulverized eigh, was the speaker at The New limestone, or marl of good quality, is Theatre, Scotland Neck last night best. The quantity also depends upon when he addressed a large number of conditions, and the speaker suggested farmers on the question and benefit of trying one ton to the acre and increasing the quantity when necessary.

Time to apply? Lime can be applied being broken, and then only to th The answer is bacteria, for without depth of the top of the soil as lime

How to apply? Some use the limedead, and the use of lime is the same stone spreader, others scatter it with as medicine in the human system, for a shovel, and many use as much as it reduces the acidity, and neutrali- 100 pounds to every thirty or forty izes the green matter that is turned feet, though in this section this would hardly be necessary. Analysis of lime Soil like the human body becomes should be obtained before buying, run down and must be sweetened and which should be above 60 per cent of the best and most economical thing is Calcium Carbonate, as this ingredient is the valuable product in the lime-

## Nelson to be Tried At Special Term

Whedbee Congratulates On Edgecombe For Good Conduct

TRIAL

Judge H. W. Whedbee announced that W. C. Nelson, who Saturday killed two policemen of Tarboro and seriously wounded Mayor Keech when the three were searching his house for liquor will be tried at a special term to convene April 16. Nelson had already been arraigned and had entered plea of not guilty to two charges of murder.

"I want to thank you people of Edgecombe county for the seberness with which you have looked at this thing," declared Judge Whedbee, "this case is one that ought to be tried and tried speedily. But there are a great many very good reasons why this case should not come to trial at this term of court."

Judge Whedbee explained the congested condition of the doeket and continued: "Then, the killing, only occured Saturday and to try this defendant this week might appear as if we were railroading him to trial. Then, it is very necessary to have the testimony of one of the party assaulted, who is the only one who can tell what went on in that room. He is now not able to appear in court.

"There have been murmerings of victories since this crime was committed," Judge Whedbee added, "and I congratulate the good people of Edgecombe that they have frowned upon those who have been responsible.

'I want to make it very plain that those who engage in, assist or abet in any way violence of this kind are murderers in the first degree themselves before the law of man.

"However, I do not anticipate any trouble. The safe thing for all of us to do is to have the defendant tried by law, and I promise you he will be tried according to law and tried speedily."

## Leppelin Inventor Dies In Germany

LONDON, March 8 .- Count Zeppelin is dead, according to a dispatch from Berlin received by Renter's Telegram Company. According to a Berlin telegram transmitted by Reuter's Amsterdam conrespondent Count Zeppelin died this foren on at Charlottenburg near Berlin, from inflamation of the lungs.

## Smoke Screens Used As Effective Defence

NEW YORK, March 8.—Equipped with elaborate apparatus for creating a smoke screen, and armed with one of the new British naval six-inch guns, the Cunard liner Carmania reached port last night from Liverpool with sixty passengers and mails.

She is the first merchant vessel to reach this port with the smoke screen apparatus. To it she owes her escape from U-Boat attack. Since her return to merchant service, after serving as an auxiliary cruiser, U-boat commanders have sought her time and again The fact she had been using smoke as a protection was not learned until her arrival yesterday.

Mounted on either side of the after bridge are two huge ventilators. Except that they are larger, they are no different in shape and coloring than the other ventilators.

In an emergency, when the periscope of a U-boat is sighted or when warning of the proximity of a U-beat, the bridge officer, by means of an electrical contrivance, turns the ventilator openings toward the point from which attack is expected, and in less than 15 seconds huge clouds of dense black smoke rells astern of the vessel, effectually screening her from the enemy's gunners.

#### Raider in Atlantic German

NEW YORK, March 9 .- It is reported that a new German Raider is in the Atlantic Ocean contiguous to the American coast.

Non-official information states that the costal fleet have receive ed code instructions.

PARIS, March 9 .- Official information is issued today that the French army has pushed back the Germans in the Champaigne district upwards of a mile in depth and several miles in width.

ROTTERDAM, Holland, March9 .- The American consul has cabled that the men taken from the Yarrowdale, who have been held in Germany for weeks, have started home.