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## DEMOCRATS RALLY ON CURRENCY BILL

### ANSWER TO ADMINISTRATION FORCES IN HOUSE TO CRITICISM OF FINANCIERS.

### BANKS ENTER A PROTEST

President Wilson Receiving More United Support Than at Any Time Since His Election.

Washington.—The answer of the administration forces in the house to the criticisms of the new currency bill made by the conference of bankers at Chicago will be a tightening up of the bill and a more vigorous endorsement of the bill as it now stands. Informal conferences of the Democratic members of the house currency committee emphasized the fact that the active supporters of the president's currency plan expect to put the measure through the house without substantial change.

The amendments proposed by the bankers, it was pointed out by the house leaders, were all considered in detail when the bill originally was prepared and in the long debate over its provisions in the house committee on banking and currency. The proposal to reduce the quantity of reserves and give currency banks the privilege of keeping part of their reserves in the large cities had many supporters and ultimately may be worked into the bill in the senate, but the change is not expected in the house.

The bankers will have an opportunity to present their views openly to congress after the currency bill gets into the senate. Chairman Owen of the senate currency committee said that while hearings had not yet been arranged, he expected leading representatives of the various "factions" among the bankers of the country would be invited to give their views of the bill to the senate committee. "I see a great deal of merit in the proposal to reduce somewhat the quantity of the reserves," said Senator Owen. "We have not discussed the new legislation sufficiently in committee, however, to know what changes may be made in the bill."

## SULZER IS PLANNING FIGHT

### Governor to Move for Indictment of Legislators Who Impeached Him.

New York.—An effort will be made according to confidants of Governor Sulzer to procure the indictment of several members of the legislature who were most active in the impeachment of the governor, and also of certain men high in Tammany Hall who are not officially connected with the legislature. One of the charges, it is said, will be criminal conspiracy.

This is the last strategic move of the Sulzer "war board," as outlined by Judge Lynn J. Arnold, one of Governor Sulzer's confidants.

During the past few days Governor Sulzer has been gathering evidence touching this alleged conspiracy, and it was announced that they had procured sufficient data to justify them in placing the matter in the hands of District Attorney Whitman of New York with a demand that he lay the evidence at once before a grand jury.

Other lawyers and laymen here who had a hand in the Sulzer proceedings expressed confidence that their contemplated move will block the governor's impeachment trial. They declared that when the evidence they have collected is made public it will cause the court of appeals to refuse to hear the case in a trial, and that the whole matter will fall to the ground, as the senate would have no power under the constitution to proceed alone.

### One Killed and Fourteen Hurt.

Atlanta.—One negro was killed, fourteen passengers were injured, two seriously and several freight and passenger cars were almost totally destroyed when northbound freight train No. 100 was derailed at Decatur.

### World's Congress on School Hygiene.

Atlanta.—The world's congress on school hygiene, which is being held at the Georgia Hotel, will open on Monday. The congress is being held at the Georgia Hotel, which is being held at the Georgia Hotel. The congress is being held at the Georgia Hotel, which is being held at the Georgia Hotel.

## ARTHUR R. RUPLEY



Arthur Ringwalt Rupley, one of the new congressmen at large from Pennsylvania, was nominated by the Republicans, the Washington, the Bull Moose and the Roosevelt Progressive parties. He is a business man, and is forty-five years old.

## OVER 100 PERSONS KILLED

### CAR LOADED WITH DYNAMITE EXPLODES IN THE MEXICAN CAPITAL.

### Thirty Bodies Taken From the Ruins and Many More Bodies Are in Debris.

Mexico City.—An explosion on a gondola loaded with dynamite on the tracks of a street car company in a thickly settled portion of Tacubaya, a suburb of the capital, killed or injured more than one hundred persons, chiefly women and children. Thirty bodies already have been taken from the ruins of the houses. Scores of wounded are lying in the streets.

The disaster was said to have been caused by a collision between a car loaded with radium pipe and a dynamite car. For a radius of 500 feet from the explosion scene not a house was left intact. Most of the dwellings were of adobe construction, and those nearest where the car stood were converted into heaps of clay and dust, under which it is feared scores of victims will be found.

Most of the victims were of the laboring class, and perished in the collapse of the houses.

Many fine residences in Tacubaya were partially wrecked.

## SENATORS PRESSING O'NEAL

### Urged to Call Legislature to Settle the Senatorial Vacable.

Washington.—Senator Bankhead, after conferring with the other members of the senate, has concurred in the demand on the governor of Alabama to call the legislature together and not endanger the tariff bill by the absence of one Alabama senator.

As the Democratic majority in the senate is only one, owing to the defection of the Louisiana senators, and as a senator is very ill and likely not to be present, it seems that the situation imperatively demands some action to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Johnston.

## HUERTA IS NOW FACING A CRISIS

### UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE TO INSIST ON HUERTA'S RESIGNATION.

### DOCUMENT NOT MADE PUBLIC

### President Studying the Mexican Situation—Lind Makes His Report.

Washington.—The Huerta administration in Mexico may reconsider its rejection of the American proposals to restore peace in Mexico and arrange a new basis for negotiation with the United States. Strong intimations to this effect reached official Washington along with the information that the financial condition of the Huerta administration was such that a crisis was imminent.

Should the Huerta government decide to enter into a new basis of discussion, withdrawing its contention as expressed in the Huerta note replying to the proposals communicated by Mr. Lind, President Wilson in all probability will not read his message to both houses of congress, as he intended.

Failure to send any word to the leaders was interpreted in official circles as meaning that the United States had practically given the Huerta government time to make up its mind finally as to what it would do.

It is positively reiterated that the United States will continue to insist upon the resignation of Provisional President Huerta, or an announcement of his intention to do so, as well as his elimination from the presidential race in the subsequent election.

President Wilson spent some time studying the notes exchanged by Mr. Lind and Huerta and preparing his message. White house officials announced that no copies of the document would be distributed in advance to the press, as it has been the custom for years, as it was desirable to keep the document a secret until developments to the last minute. The message may be modified by dispatches received, and there also is the possibility that the president may find it expedient to postpone delivery of the document.

Reports from Mr. Lind declare that his relations with the Huerta officials are more cordial than before and that the Huerta officials manifest a willingness to find some new ground for a settlement.

## TRY TO DYNAMITE GAYNOR

### Enough of Explosive to Wreck New York City Hall Found.

New York.—A deadly charge of dynamite, three whole 10-inch sticks and two halves with a fuse and detonator, was discovered near Mayor Gaynor's office window in the city hall. The bureau of combustibles found that the explosive was 40 per cent dynamite, the regulation blasting proportion, and the amount found would, if exploded, have wrecked the city hall.

The mayor was in his office when the dynamite was discovered by a citizen passing through City Hall park. Mr. Gaynor evinced little interest when told of the explosive's proximity and remained apparently undisturbed at his desk, while police officers hurriedly drew a cordon about the dynamite to keep back an excited crowd.

### Begs for Life; Husband Kills Her.

Tampa, Fla.—While on her knees pleading pitifully for her life, Mrs. Ethel Denison of Key West was shot to death on the street here by her husband, Benny Denison. Two negroes were eye-witnesses to the tragedy, but were afraid to interfere. Denison, who followed his wife from Key West here several weeks ago, discovered her working in a restaurant.

### Speer Preparing to Fight Charges.

Washington.—Federal Judge Emory Speer of Georgia, charged with official misconduct in papers filed with the house committee on judiciary, will attend any hearings that the committee may have to take evidence in the case. He telegraphed to Representative Hughes of Georgia, asking that he arrange for his appearance at the proper time. Mr. Hughes immediately conferred with Chairman Clayton of the committee, and later notified Judge Speer that he would be permitted to be present with counsel.

## MRS. JAMES HAMILTON LEWIS



Mrs. Lewis, wife of Senator Lewis of Illinois, is considered one of the most charming women in official society circles in Washington.

## FIRST DEPOSITS COME SOUTH

### ALL THE DEPOSITS IN ALL THE STATES WILL BE MADE IN TWO INSTALLMENTS.

### Federal Cash to Move South to Be Given Banks in August and September.

Washington.—First deposits of the government's \$3,000,000 fund to aid crop movements will be made in the Southern states in August and September. All deposits in all states will be made in two equal allotments. In a statement, Secretary McAdoo has outlined the treasury department's requirements for security.

## SAYS WILSON LACKS SUPPORT

### Some Tact, Intimations by the Mexican General in His Reply.

Washington.—Intimations are contained in provisional President Huerta's reply to the American note presented by John Lind that President Wilson is not backed up by congress or the American people in his stand against recognition of the Huerta government.

### Hotel Destroyed by Flames.

Union City, Ga.—The twenty-five guests of the Reid hotel at this place narrowly escaped from death when fire was discovered in the building. Within a few minutes after the fire call was sounded the hotel was a mass of flames, and nothing but a few personal effects were saved. Valuable work of the part of the volunteer fire department saved the office building of the Farmers' Union, a two-story \$10,000 brick structure, next to the hotel. The Reid hotel was a frame structure, valued at \$4,500.

## FRANK IS GUILTY VERDICT OF JURY

### ATLANTA FACTORY SUPERINTENDENT TO PAY THE PENALTY FOR CRIME

### HAS NOT BEEN SENTENCED

### The Killing of Mary Phagan, Wife of Avenged by the Law—The Wife of the Prisoner Collapses When Verdict is Read.

Atlanta, Ga.—The jury in the case of Leo M. Frank, on trial for the murder of Mary Phagan, found the defendant guilty. No recommendations were made by the jury.

Judge Roan's charge to the jury, delivered immediately after he had over-ruled a motion of the defense for a mistrial, was terse and direct. With reference to "reasonable doubt" he said:

"You are not compelled to find from the evidence his guilt beyond any doubt, but beyond a reasonable doubt, such a doubt as grows out of the evidence, or for the want of evidence, such a doubt as a reasonable and impartial man would entertain about matters of the kind before you. This does not mean a doubtful doubt, one that you are not sure of, but a doubt that is based on the evidence."

During the trial much stress was placed by both sides on the question of Frank's character. Judge Roan charged the jury that while evidence of the defendant's good reputation appears to the death of Mary Phagan was to be considered as creating a doubt of his guilt, the evidence would not suffice to clear him if, in the opinion of the jury, other evidence was sufficient to show that he had committed the crime charged against him.

The reading of the charge required about 20 minutes. Frank showed no visible signs of emotion when he was informed that he had been found guilty. The factory superintendent's wife was with the prisoner, when the message was delivered, and she collapsed.

More than an hour before Frank was notified the jury's verdict of murder "in the first degree" was received with a noisy demonstration by the crowd, estimated at more than 2,000 persons which had assembled outside the court house. All spectators were excluded from the courtroom before the verdict was announced. By agreement of counsel the prisoner was permitted to remain in his cell at the county jail. Only lawyers, court officials and newspaper men heard the verdict.

## To Use the State Militia

Washington.—More liberal interpretation of the constitutional provision which in the past has been accepted as prohibiting the dispatch of militia to foreign soil, will be sought in the coming conference between the chief officers of the War Department and the Secretary of the Navy, it is reported.

## Thaw Insists on Making Statement

Sherbrooke, Que.—The arrival of William Jerome, Harry Kendall Thaw's old prosecutor and the assumption by ex-Governor Stone of Pennsylvania as spokesman here for the Thaw family were the chief developments of the day in the Thaw case. If Thaw was terrorized by Jerome's coming, he succeeded in concealing his fears. He spoke of Jerome sneeringly, speaking of him as "J. Williams". Of the lighter incidents of a day of excitement—exciting principally because of what might happen—was Thaw's show of temper over the fact that his breakfast was 10 minutes late.

## To Investigate Conduct of Speer.

Washington.—Thorough investigation of the official conduct of United States District Judge Emory Speer of the Southern District of Georgia to determine whether he has been guilty of any impeachable misbehavior, was agreed upon unanimously by the House Judiciary Committee. Chairman Clayton will introduce a resolution asking the House to empower the committee to investigate the charges and compel the attendance of witnesses. The committee will report to the House its conclusions.

## FROM THE TAR HEEL STATE

### Short Paragraphs of State News That Has Been Condensed For Busy People of State.

### Raleigh.

Judge Oliver H. Allen will hold a special term of Sampson county court beginning September 15. The term is to be a week and for the trial of civil actions entirely.

### Charlotte.

A general meeting of the churches in the Goldenburg-Cabarrus Baptist Association will be held within a few days at Arlington church. A Sunday school mass meeting will probably be held also.

### Wilson.

"Buster," the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lamm, at Statesville, who was so horribly mangled in the explosion of a dynamite cap, died after a long suffering. At the same time of the explosion, Mr. Carl Ellis was badly wounded.

### Deerfield.

Barth Harris of this place, while on his way home from a place of employment, was shot by a shotgun, and the bullet passing through the head, Harris has been a sufferer with pellagra for some time and general opinion is that the disease had affected his mind.

### Fayetteville.

L. K. Taylor of Mount Croghan, S. C., who was killed when his motor car was struck by a train near Newton, was at the time of his death coming from Blowing Rock to Fayetteville to visit his sister, Mrs. W. J. Wickley of this city.

### Greensboro.

Judgment was given in the Superior Court here against the City of Greensboro in a suit brought by G. L. G. Turner was payable by \$2,500 damages to his property because of the pollution of Buffalo Creek. The award made was \$1,000.

### Asheville.

In the Superior Court, Edward King, a 14-year-old boy, through his next best friend, Columbus King, has filed a complaint in which he asks damages in the sum of \$50,000 from the Gloucester Lumber Company for alleged personal injuries received while in the employment of the company.

### Asheville.

Rather than pay a fine of \$100 and the costs for an alleged violation of the law which prohibits the growing of weeds on any city lot higher than 10 inches, J. J. Swink, a business man of Asheville, has appealed from the city police court and will make contest case of the legality of the law, it is understood.

### Raleigh.

Collector of Internal Revenue W. B. Bailey has appointed B. F. Dixon, special deputy collector to serve for 30 days as successor to W. G. Staples, who was dismissed by Collector Wheeler, March just before Collector Bailey came in office. Mr. Dixon has charge of the records of the South Carolina Division until this is transferred to D. C. Hayward, the newly appointed Collector of South Carolina.

### Raleigh.

To secure an effective enforcement of a compulsory school law, the Board of Education of Wake county has appointed a wide-awake and efficient traffic officer in each township, and as soon as the board has received the notice that these appointments have been accepted, the full number will be announced. It is the intention of the board to see that the law is obeyed, and no pains will be spared to enforce it.

### Wadesboro.

Platt W. Covington, younger son of Dr. J. M. Covington of this place has been elected to and has accepted the position of chief of the Bureau of County Health, with headquarters at Raleigh. His duties will consist of establishing whole-time health officers in every county of the state. Doctor Covington has been with the Rockefeller Hookworm Commission for several years and has made commendable progress in his profession.

### Durham.

A big bond issue for the purpose of purchasing the waterworks and also for street improvement is being talked in Durham, but no steps have been taken towards calling an election. Some of the leading citizens of the city are in favor of a bond issue that will give the city enough money to purchase the waterworks and do a good deal of permanent street work. Others think that such a large issue, something like \$1,000,000, would not pass.

### Fayetteville.

M. A. Behno, of this city, has received by parcel post a found weighing 25 ounces. It came from Jeff D. Sessom's, who raised it at Stedman, in this county. Eleven cents postage was required to take the tomato on its journey of a dozen miles.

### Goldsboro.

While driving through the southern part of the city on a wagon, Silas Cogdell was struck in the head by a stray bullet and almost instantly killed. He was a worthy colored man of this city. No blame yet is attached to any one for the killing.