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HALE WARNS THE NATION AGAINST BIG ARMY PLAN

Maine Senator Tells of Dangers of Increased Expenditures in This Direction.

SPEECH PREDICATED ON NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

Story Purporting to Give Views of Secretary Taft and Saying That He Favors Reorganization and Enlargement of the Army Occasion for Oratory.

Washington, April 7.—A warning against increasing expenditures for the military establishment of the United States was sounded in the Senate today by Senator Hale, chairman of the committee on naval affairs, and his alarm was taken up and repeated by other senators.

The discussion was based on a signed article printed in the Washington Post today saying, in effect, that Secretary Taft favored a reorganization and an enlargement of the army that would bring it up to 125,000. The immediate occasion for Senator Hale's speech was the passage yesterday of the army appropriation bill, carrying nearly \$100,000,000, and he used it as showing the tendency of the times.

Moving to reconsider the vote by which the army bill was passed, Mr. Hale said senators did not realize that 70 per cent. of the revenues of the government were today expended for what has been termed the needs of past, present and future wars.

"What is going on," continued Mr. Hale, "without senators or the country being aware of it are the enormous increase in the number of troops and the enormous increase in the cost of maintaining them."

TWIN-CITY OPPOSES CONSOLIDATING THE N. & W. RATE SUITS

Committee Will Appear Before the Interstate Commerce Commission Today.

ACTION BOARD OF TRADE ORGANIZING HORNE CLUBS

Winston-Salem, N. C., April 7.—The Winston-Salem board of trade commends the action of the committee and counsel in the prosecution of the suit against the Norfolk and Western railway for alleged exorbitant freight rates on coal to this city and authorizes them to push the case to a final hearing.

As a result of the action taken by the board of trade, at its regular monthly meeting last night, Clement Manly, counsel for the City of Winston and the board of trade; Hugh G. Chatham, of Elkin; Mayor O. B. Eaton and J. L. Graham, traffic manager for the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, left this morning for Washington, where tomorrow they will appear before the interstate commerce commission in the case of the City of Winston and board of trade against the Norfolk and Western railway, for alleged discriminations in coal rates from the mines of Virginia.

The board of trade last night unanimously adopted the following resolutions: Whereas, It appears to the Winston-Salem board of trade that the interstate commerce commission is petitioned to keep the case separate from the one instituted by the North Carolina corporation commission against the railroads for a readjustment of freight rates generally, in order that there may be no discrimination against North Carolina.

Resolved, That the board of trade do hereby petition the interstate commerce commission to keep the case separate from the one instituted by the North Carolina corporation commission against the railroads for a readjustment of freight rates generally, in order that there may be no discrimination against North Carolina.

HEFLIN'S WHITE VICTIM SAID TO BE DYING

NEW YORK HORSEMAN WILL NOT RECOVER FROM WOUNDS, IT IS SAID.

Washington, D. C., April 7.—Thomas McCreary, the New York horseman, who was accidentally shot by Representative Hefflin, of Alabama, in a street car altercation nearly two weeks ago between Mr. Hefflin and a negro, is likely to die, according to a statement made today.

McCreary's physician admitted that the horseman was in a very serious condition. Mr. Hefflin called at the hospital today to see the man whom he had wounded, but the officials refused to permit the patient to be seen.

SUBMARINE BOAT MAN GOT NAVY'S "SECRET" DATA

He So Testifies in Hearing of Lilley Charges, and Stirs Up the Committee.

DOESN'T KNOW FROM WHOM FACTS CAME

Were Sent to Him While Abroad in Plain Envelopes—He Had Asked His Friends in the Department to Help Him All They Could.

Washington, April 7.—The navy department, and not the Electric Boat Company, was virtually under investigation today by the special House committee inquiring into charges preferred against that company by Representative Lilley.

The question as to whether the company had used illegitimate means to promote legislation in its favor was forgotten in the admissions made by the witness to the effect that he had secured extracts of reports made to the navy department supposed to be confidential.

The witness was Robert G. Skerrett, of New York, formerly employed in the navy department and at one time the European representative of the Lake Torpedo Boat Company. He stated frankly that while in the employ of the Lake company he received anonymous extracts from reports made to the navy department, and that he used these extracts in technical articles prepared for publication in magazines. Questioned as to the source, he replied that he did not know from whom they came, and

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HOLT WAGES FIGHT AGAINST BROOKS IN DURHAM NEWSPAPER

Gubernatorial Question An Interesting One Among the Democrats of Durham.

ORGANIZING HORNE CLUBS

Durham, N. C., April 7.—While the congressional fight in this district has been the all-absorbing political gossip in this city and county for some time, the gubernatorial question is now an interesting one in Durham. The friends of the various candidates are hard at work, and big claims are being made on all sides. As the primary is not so far off—this will be on May 2—the fight from this time to that day will be interesting to look upon.

The friends of Mr. Horne, under the leadership of Gen. Julian S. Carr, in this county, are not leaving any stones unturned. Some days ago a "Horne Club" was organized in this city. There is now being organized in Edgemont, in the lower edge of the city, another "Horne Club." General Carr was enthusiastic this morning. He was all smiles and felt good over the outlook for his man.

While there are no "Kitchen clubs" or "Craig clubs" as yet, still those who are looking after their interests in this county are hard at work. The approaching primary, when the strength of each candidate will be polled and delegates elected to the county convention, when state, congressional and judicial delegates will be elected, promises to be of as much interest as the usual election fight, and of more interest than the ordinary primary.

But, while the gubernatorial fight is interesting to look upon,

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ABRUZZI ENGAGEMENT REPORTED CONFIRMED

Duke Shortly Will Return to the United States—Vatican Has Been Told of Standing of Elkins Family.

Rome, April 7.—The Duke of Aosta arrived here today and had breakfast with King Victor Emmanuel, the Duke of the Abruzzi and the Count of Turin, after which a family conference was held relative to arranging a marriage engagement between the Duke of the Abruzzi and Miss Katherine Elkins, daughter of Senator Elkins, of West Virginia.

Although nothing official is known, it is reported that the engagement has been confirmed, and that it is the intention of the Duke of Abruzzi to return to the United States shortly. The duke left tonight for Spezia to resume command of the battleship Regina Elena. At the conclusion of the conference,

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOLWORKERS AT BURLINGTON

Opening Session of the Annual Convention Held Last Night.

ATTENDANCE ALREADY BREAKS ALL RECORDS

Five Hundred People Assigned to Homes and More Coming—Crowd Necessitated Two Meetings Last Night—Prominent Visitors Present—Address of Welcome.

Burlington, N. C., April 7.—North Carolina's greatest Sunday-school convention was opened tonight in two places at once because the church in which it was intended to be held could not accommodate the crowd.

The attendance already has broken every record for a Sunday-school convention. Over 500 people were assigned to homes this afternoon, and a flood of delegates poured in tonight.

At 7:30 o'clock this evening the Christian church was packed to the limit, and hundreds of people were standing on the sidewalks. It was then decided to hold an overflow meeting in the Presbyterian church, where the exercises were duplicated.

Among the prominent visitors present are W. C. Pearce, of Chicago, and Mrs. J. W. Barnes, of New Jersey.

Tonight Mr. Pearce spoke on "America in Sunday-School Work." He will be heard several times during the convention. Mrs. Barnes is the leading specialist on elementary work. She will conduct a conference, and will address the convention. G. C. Tullar and J. H. Meredith, of New York, are conducting the singing.

Tonight Mayor W. H. Carroll delivered an address of welcome, to which an appropriate response was made.

The convention will continue through Wednesday and Thursday, with sessions morning and afternoon and evening. It is planned to hold sessions after this evening in a tobacco warehouse.

DELEGATES FROM GUILFORD AT SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION

The North Carolina Sunday-school convention met in annual session in Burlington yesterday. Among the attending delegates from Guilford county are J. G. Frazier, Mrs. Margaret L. Cotten, Miss Christine Frazier, Jesse Smidley, Howard Cotten, Alpha White and W. S. Nicholson, of the New Garden Sunday-school; Miss Miendenhall, Alva Lindley and George Bradshaw, of Guilford College, and Lee Smith, of Muir's Chapel.

TWO PHONE LINEMEN KILLED BY CURRENT

ONE ELECTROCUTED, THE OTHER HURLED TO DEATH BY SHOCK. CROWD SEES ACCIDENT.

Pittsburg, April 7.—Two linemen employed by the Pittsburg and Allegheny Telephone Company were killed at McKees Rocks, a suburb, today, one being electrocuted and the other sustaining a fracture of the skull, when he was knocked from the top of a pole.

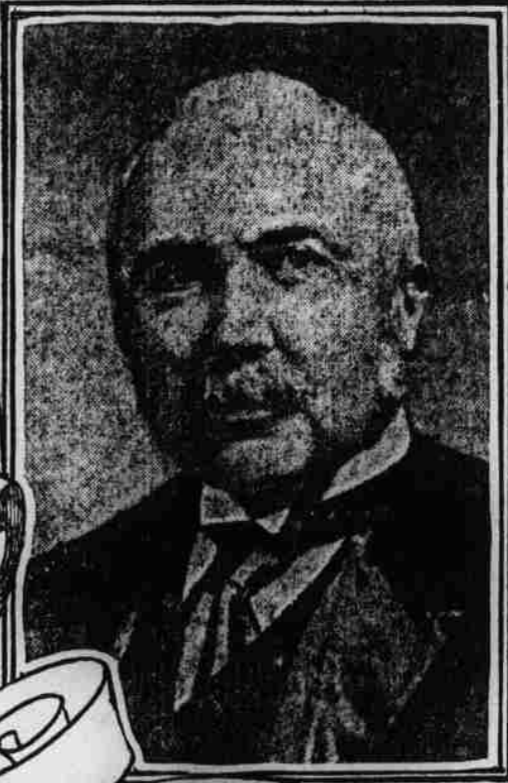
A crowd of excited people stood helpless in the street around the bottom of the pole, while Nevins' body, clinging to the heavily charged wire, smoked and burned for fifteen minutes before it could be loosed with ropes. Lehan was torn from his foothold at the top of the pole by the first shock and fell to the ground, sustaining a fractured skull. He was taken to a hospital, where he died three hours later.

The current was turned on the wire for a daily test, according to custom, but the linemen were not aware of this custom.

Old and New British Premier and Rising Politician

HERBERT HENRY ASQUITH.

SIR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN.



LOCAL OPTION PEOPLE MAKE GAINS IN THE ELECTIONS IN ILLINOIS

Twenty Counties Become Absolutely "Dry"—Big Towns Vote "Wet."

LIQUOR GAINS ELSEWHERE

Chicago, April 7.—In the local option election held by 1200 townships in eighty-four counties of Illinois outside of the City of Chicago today, twenty counties became absolutely anti-saloon territories, and approximately 1,500, or about one-half of the total number of saloons in that territory, were voted out of business. Most of the larger cities in the state, however, voted in favor of licensing saloons.

The larger cities voting in favor of the saloons are: Springfield, Freeport, Aurora, Elgin, Sterling, Kankakee, Lincoln, Monmouth, Bloomington, Danville, Joliet, Murphysboro and Rock Island. Those voting to abolish the saloons were: Rockford, Decatur, Dixon, Hoopstown, Georgetown, Pontiac, Shelbyville, Carbondale and Champagne.

The following counties are now absolutely anti-saloon territory, so created by the voters today, and are in addition to the six which voted last November to abolish the dramshops: Boone, Moultrie, Fayette, Hamilton, Edgar, Clark, Brown, Saline, Gallatin, Douglas, Macon, Cumberland, Platt, Shelby, Coles, White, Wayne and Richland. The Independence League made a strong fight in several of the wards and polled a vote of good proportions for some of its nominees, but the total vote of the party was less than that of the Socialists.

The prohibitionists devoted most of their energy to the election in the Twenty-seventh ward. The result gave them more than twice the Democratic vote, but less than half that of the Republicans. The Socialist vote was also strongest in that ward, exceeding the Democratic vote by more than 600.

Liquor Wins in Kansas City.

Kansas City, Mo., April 7.—The entire Democratic ticket, headed by Thomas T. Crittenden, Jr., for mayor, was successful in today's election by a majority of probably 500 over the Republican ticket, headed by Mayor Henry M. Beardsley. This is a change of 2,100 votes since the election of 1906. The Democrats will control both houses of the new council. Mayor-Elect Crittenden is pledged to enforce the saloon laws, but during the campaign he had the support of the liquor interest, and Mayor Beardsley was endorsed by the ministerial alliance.

Milwaukee Votes for "Personal Liberty."

Milwaukee, Wis., April 7.—David S. Rose, Democrat, was elected mayor of Milwaukee today by a plurality of about 3,000 votes over Emil Siedel, Social Democrat. Thomas J. Pringle, the Republican candidate, ran over 1,000 behind Siedel. Rose's election makes him mayor of Milwaukee for the fifth time. He was defeated two years ago by Mayor Becker, after being victorious four times in succession. Rose's slogan was "personal liberty." Vincenz Schoenecker, for treasurer, and August M. Gawin, for comptroller, are elected on the Rose ticket.

License Wins in Wisconsin.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 7.—Returns received tonight show that license won over no license in a majority of towns in Wisconsin in the election today, where the issues were put to a vote of the people. At Madison, Mayor J. C. Schubert, Democratic candidate, won out over W. J. McKay, who favored Sunday closing. Schubert's majority was 1,205 votes.

Prohibition Gains in Nebraska.

Omaha, Neb., April 7.—Meager returns indicate that the prohibition element has made decided gains in Nebraska. Only

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WINSTON L. S. CHURCHILL, Who Will Probably Be Given a Place in the New British Cabinet.

MORE THAN SCORE HURT WHEN CHICAGO ELEVATED TRAIN FALLS TO GROUND

Eight of the Victims Are Seriously Hurt and One May Die.

MANY ARE INJURED IN PANIC

Chicago, April 7.—Eight persons were seriously injured, one probably fatally, and nearly a score of others were hurt today when the motor car of a south-bound train on the South Side Elevated railroad jumped the track a few hundred feet north of the Indiana avenue station and crashed to the ground. The front of the car fell into the rear yard of a residence at 4235 Prairie avenue, but the rear end remained propped against the structure. The car was used as a smoker.

The motorman of the car, George Stang, was cut and bruised about the head and body and his skull was fractured. He was also internally injured. Stang was taken to the Wesley hospital, where it was said he might die.

About fifty persons were in the front car when the accident happened, and many of them were more or less injured. The train was moving rapidly when the front trucks of the motor car jumped the track. The car bumped along the rails for a short distance and then plunged off the elevated structure, landing in the rear yard of Mrs. A. T. Hayden, at 4235 Prairie avenue. The second car crashed into the rear of the motor car and carried it along the tracks for several feet. The trucks of the second car also left the track. The passengers of the front car were thrown in a heap to the floor, and some of them were dashed against the windows, cutting themselves badly. A panic followed in the four rear cars and a number of men raised window and leaped out upon the elevated structure, where they were in imminent danger from the third rail.

The attendants of the rear cars, however, managed to get them back into the train before anybody was injured. Ambulances and patrol wagons were hurried to the scene from nearly all the police stations on the south side of the city. The police found the passengers of the motor car penned in and struggling to make their escape. When additional help arrived the imprisoned passengers were dragged through the shattered windows to safety.

FORTIFICATION BILL AS PASSED BY THE SENATE CARRIES \$12,116,187

Upper House Adds \$3,905,576 to the Figures Adopted by the House of Representatives

TELLER OPPOSES INCREASES

Washington, April 7.—The fortifications appropriation bill was passed by the Senate with appropriations of \$12,116,187. As passed by the House, the bill carried an aggregate of \$8,210,611, the Senate adding \$3,905,576.

Amendments to the bill were made in the Senate appropriating \$500,000 on motion of Senator Flint, of California, for land and fortifications at Point Firms, Los Angeles, Cal., and \$100,000 additional, on motion of Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, for the repair of fortifications at Fort Macon, of his state.

During the progress of the bill, com-

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ROBBERY OF A STORE IN GRANVILLE COUNTY

THIEF GOT ALL THE CASH LEFT IN DRAWER AND ALSO SOME GOODS.

Durham, N. C., April 7.—News has reached here from Lyons, Granville county, on the Oxford and Clarksville road, of the robbery of the store of H. G. Coleman, also used as an office for the railroad and express companies. This was on Saturday night, but little was said of it with the hope that the robber or robbers could be captured.

Mr. Coleman says that the robber, who entered through a window by removing two panes of glass, got all the cash left in the drawer, and in addition carried away some of the goods, but he does not know how much of his wares were taken. No arrest has been made.

PUBLICITY BILL ON CAMPAIGN GIFTS STIRS MINORITY

Following Failure to Force Action on Measure, Meeting Breaks Up in a Scrap.

ACCUSE REPUBLICAN MEMBERS OF COWARDICE

Declare That They Have Systematically and Persistently Refused to Go on Record as Either Favoring or Opposing Campaign Publicity Bill.

Washington, April 7.—Following the failure today of the Democratic members of the President, Vice-President and representatives in Congress, to force action by that committee on the bill introduced by Mr. McCall, of Massachusetts (Republican), to compel the publication of campaign contributions, high words were passed, the committee meeting broke up and an organized movement is now on foot on the Democratic side of the House to openly charge the Republicans with "cowardice in systematically and persistently failing and refusing to go on record as either favoring or opposing the campaign publicity bill."

The five Democratic members of the committee, Messrs. Rucker, of Missouri; Gillespie, of Texas; Lassiter, of Virginia; Hardwick, of Georgia, and Hackett, of North Carolina, after the meeting made public a signed statement with the approval of the minority leader, Mr. Williams, in substance as follows:

"That the meeting of the committee was convened at the call of the chairman, Mr. Gaines, of West Virginia; that there were present also Mr. Burke, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Dickenson, of Michigan (Republicans), and the five Democratic members, these eight constituting a quorum; that the minority members insisted upon taking up the McCall bill and acting upon it; that Chairman Gaines thereupon whispered to Mr. Burke and Mr. Dickenson, his Republican colleagues, and they at once left the room; that the chairman then declared no quorum and adjourned the meeting.

One of the Democratic members protested against this action as "indecent." The Democratic members at once got together, drafted a statement of the meeting, submitted it to Mr. Williams, and, with his approval, made it public.

Chairman Gaines, of the majority, issued the following statement in reply: "The truth is that substantially the McCall bill was before the committee during the last Congress, and was the subject of a great number of hearings and of thorough consideration. Messrs. Rucker, Hardwick and Gillespie were members of the committee at that time. The defects of the present McCall bill were sufficient at that time to induce them to condemn a similar bill.

"The McCall bill is in reality the Perry Belmont bill. This bill undertakes to compel publicity of campaign contributions made to a political committee which shall in two or more states influence the result or attempt to influence the result of an election at which representatives in Congress are to be elected. The slightest possible consideration will show that the result of this will be not to prevent and not to make public any campaign contributions, but simply to divert such contributions from national committees to smaller committees—from those having the greatest publicity to those having the least publicity. It would make no contributions except as some rich man might contribute to one party or the other for the purpose of giving himself standing in the party.

"There are several members of Congress who wish to be heard on the subject of publicity in election expenses, and I have endeavored to secure for them that courtesy. There is to be a meeting of and a hearing before the committee the day after tomorrow."

SECRETARY STRAUS GUEST AT HIS FORMER HOME

COLUMBUS, GA., HONORS HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR.

Columbus, Ga., April 7.—Oscar S. Straus, secretary of commerce and labor, spent another busy day in Columbus, his old home, visiting numerous manufacturing industries, the public schools and the largest Young Men's Christian Association building for negroes in the world. He was the guest of honor at the secondary industrial school, a novel institution, where boys and girls are taught the actual vocations of life.

Several addresses were made on this occasion, the most notable being that by Secretary Straus on "Industrial Education." An elaborate dinner was served, prepared by the pupils of the school.