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## BANK CASHIER IS ACCUSED OF THEFT

MAYOR BROWN OF GALLATIN, TENN., IS ARRESTED BY U. S. MARSHALL.

### SAID BANK WAS ROBBED

Employee of Tennessee Mining Department Arrested as an Accomplice in Bank Robbery.

Nashville, Tenn.—The arrest of Will B. Brown, mayor of Gallatin, and assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Gallatin, on a charge of embezzlement, and the arrest of Herbert B. Jackson, of Gallatin, an employe of the state mining department, on a charge of conspiracy and aiding and abetting Brown in embezzlement, came as a sensational climax in the reported robbery of the Gallatin financial institution on the morning of Friday, March 20.

The warrant on which the arrests were made was sworn out before United States Commissioner Harry Luck at Nashville by Edward J. Brennan, special agent of the department of justice.

The warrant charges Brown with embezzling more than thirty thousand dollars of the funds of the bank.

An official of the bank stated that the shortage at the institution is estimated at between thirty thousand and sixty thousand dollars.

Jackson was arrested in Nashville by a federal officer. He was taken before United States Commissioner Luck, and his bond was fixed at \$5,000.

Brown was arrested at his residence at Gallatin by United States Marshal Will Jones and Detectives Kiger and Jacobs of Nashville. He was brought to Nashville in his own automobile.

In January he was elected for a second term as mayor of Gallatin. This is said to be the only public office that he has ever held. Brown is married and has two children.

Brown's income, so far as the officers have been able to learn, has been as follows:

As assistant cashier of the bank, \$100 per month.

As mayor of Gallatin, \$80 per year. From insurance business, in which he operated under the firm name of Brown & Spradlin, \$400 or \$500 per year. Mr. Spradlin is individual book-keeper at the bank.

## CRITICIZE DIVORCE LAWS

Chicago Judge Says Juvenile Courts Are Related to Divorce Courts.

Chicago.—No divorce should be granted any person who has a minor child, unless the child shall have been provided for to the satisfaction of the court, is the conclusion of Adolor J. Pettit, chief justice of the circuit court, in an analysis made public of the first annual report of the new municipal bureau of divorce and marriage statistics.

The close relations between divorce courts and the juvenile courts as indicated in the number of petitions for the care of dependent or delinquent children, is the outstanding feature of Judge Pettit's analysis. Juvenile court records since July, 1899, showed 50,358 petitions for the care of children. Of these, the report indicates that approximately 33,750 cases were the direct result of divorces or the neglect of parents through drunkenness or desertion, which would have constituted sufficient grounds for divorce.

"The last school census showed a total of 620,233 children here under 14 years of age. A comparison of the number of children in the city with those which have appeared in the juvenile court in the five years of its existence shows how serious the divorce situation has become."

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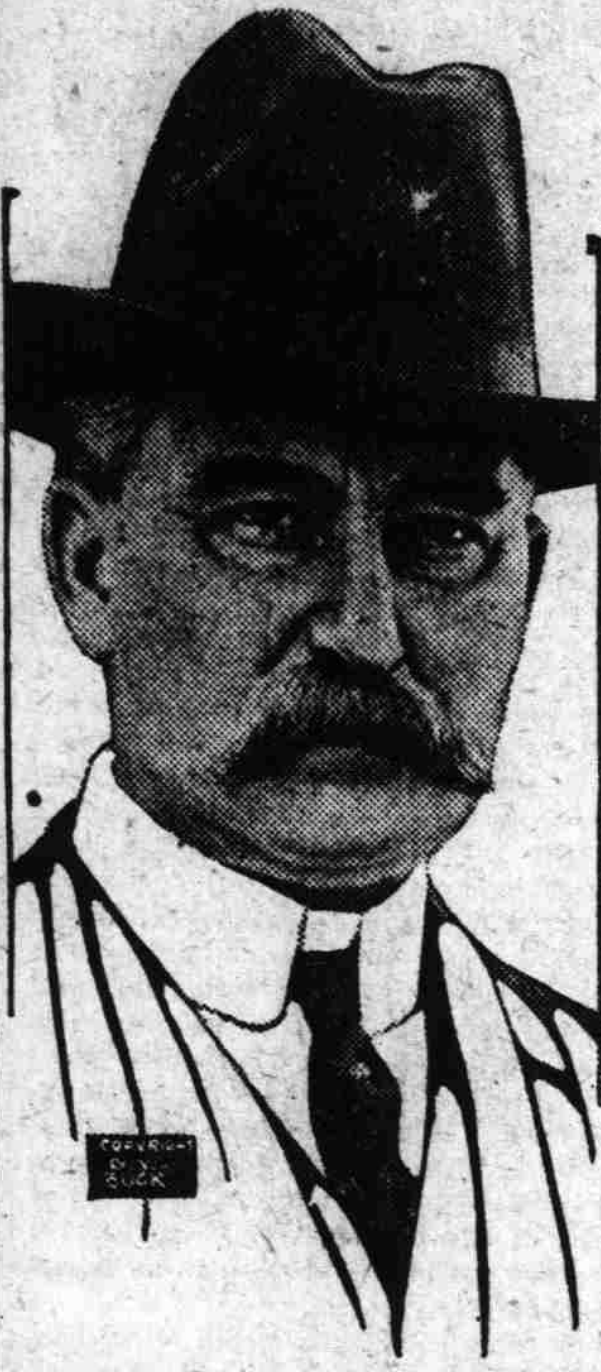
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## SENATOR FALL



Senator Fall, in a speech in the senate, declared openly for intervention in Mexico.

## WILSON SCORES TRIUMPH

CLOTURE RULE ADOPTED IN THE HOUSE BY VOTE OF 200 TO 172.

Crucial Point Passed, Say Administration Leaders, Who Claim Measure Will Have 100 Majority.

Washington.—President Wilson won the opening skirmish of the great legislative battle of his administration when the house, over bitter protests from recognized Democratic leaders and almost solid minority opposition, adopted a special rule for the consideration of the bill repealing the free tolls provision of the Panama canal act. Speaker Clark, Democratic Leader Mann and Progressive Leader Murdock headed those lined up against the administration, but the house responded to the president's personal appeal for prompt consideration of the repeal bill as a means of supporting his administration's foreign policy.

Two votes demonstrated the president's commanding influence with his party in congress. On the first test, a motion to end debate and preclude amendment on the rule carried by a vote of 207 to 176; the rule itself was adopted 200 to 172.

Nothing to compare with the scene had occurred in the house since the famous Cannon rules fight four years ago. In vain Representative Underwood took the floor and urged his colleagues to vote against the rule. The rank and file Democrats, after listening to three hours of passionate argument, swung into the president's column, 199 of them voting to prevent the amendment of the special rule, while but 55 followed the leaders in joining with the minority in opposition.

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## LONE BANDIT ROBS SEABOARD TRAIN

WHITE MAN HOLDS UP EXPRESS MESSENGER AND MAKES ESCAPE.

### PASSENGERS NOT MOLESTED

Florida-Cuba Special of the Seaboard Held Up for the Third Time in Two Years.

Columbia, S. C.—An unknown white man, pistol in hand, entered the express car of the northbound Florida-Cuba Special of the Seaboard Air Line from Tampa to New York, as the train was leaving Columbia, compelled the express messenger to open the safe, and after taking from it a package, said to be of slight value, jumped off as the train slowed up for a crossing in the northern limits of the city.

After the crew had instructed the crossing watchman to communicate with the Columbia police, the train proceeded on its way. Neither passengers nor mail clerks were molested.

Officials of the express company were unable to estimate the value of the packages secured by the robber. They say they are unable to state where the stolen package was put on, and will not know until later how much money it contained.

The robbery is the third of its nature in Columbia within the past two years. In each case the hold-ups have been made by one man. No arrests have been made in the other cases.

## STUDENTS ENGAGE IN RIOT

Newspaper Correspondent Assaulted at Chapel Hill, N. C.

Raleigh, N. C.—Threatened by a crowd of students of the University of North Carolina, in the lobby of the postoffice at Chapel Hill, S. R. Winters, correspondent of the News and Observer, at that place, was struck by one of them because of the publication of an account of gambling by students at the state university in a morning newspaper.

A party of eleven, including students and citizens of Chapel Hill, were bound over to the court on the charge of playing "craps," and the report gave their names. This caused the attack on him, the evidence being that only the intervention of students and a hurried call for the police kept the crowd from beating up Winters.

The faculty of the university and the authorities of Chapel Hill are on a campaign to break up gambling at the university and in the town. The chief of police of Chapel Hill, in a statement, says that with what evidence is in hand he will be able to round up the ring leaders in gambling in the university.

## Champion Father of German.

Berlin.—Ferdinand Egilnski, aged 53, a tailor of Ahlbeck, is Germany's champion father. The Tageblatt, which publishes his story, says that of his successive marriages with two sisters thirty-five children were born, 26 of whom are living—19 boys and 7 girls. The tailor married at the age of 20. His first wife, who died in 1907, bore him twenty-four children. In 1908 he married his deceased wife's sister, who has born him eleven children in the last six years. Triplets came on one occasion and twins were born twice. When his sixth son entered the army in 1913 Egilnski received a private audience with the kaiser, who ordered him entertained in Berlin at his majesty's expense for a week. Egilnski has become a celebrity and adds to his income as a tailor by post cards of himself.

## Proposed Marriage From Tree Top.

Savannah, Ga.—Before a sympathetic audience of several hundred people, Frank M. Register of 2425 Barnard street, climbed a tree in Colonial park, back of the jail, proposed to Miss Zeta Metlock, who is being detained by the police, was accepted and the two fixed the date for the wedding. Miss Metlock is being held at the police station under no charges, but in order that she may be taken care of until she can be restored to her parents.

## Railroad Men Threaten Strike.

Rome, Italy.—Italy faces another general strike. Eighty thousand railway employes are claiming for an amelioration of their conditions of employment, which would represent an increase of \$10,000,000 in the state budget. The employes held several meetings. The most important one was at Ancona, a great railway center, where it was decided that if the government refused to give a satisfactory answer to the demands of the men a general railway strike would be proclaimed April 15.

## HERMAN A. METZ



Mr. Metz represents the Tenth New York district in congress. His home is in Brooklyn. Mr. Metz is a Democrat and was born in New York.

## INSURGENTS MAKE ATTACK

FEDERALS DRIVEN BACK WHEN MAKING ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE FROM CITY.

Huerta Troops Concentrated in Western Part of Torreon to Resist Combined Attack.

Juarez, Mexico.—A message from General Villa, signed by General Villa, said that he had concentrated his forces to force his way into Torreon, there to join General Herrera and to take supreme command. Officials here declared that the federals already had tried to escape from the city, but were driven back and were in no condition to withstand such an attack as that of which Villa gave notice in this telegram.

A telegram received from General Villa says that practically all of Torreon, including the entire business section, is in the hands of the rebels. General Herrera, at the head of 4,000 men, is said to have entered the city from the east instead of the north, as at first reported, and is said to have fought his way through the streets to the bull-ring on the northern edge of the city.

A second telegram from Villa amended the first to show that the federals were concentrated in their last defenses in the western portion of the city. Rebel officials here say that if the federals do not hold their position there, they inevitably must be captured.

The same telegram says that federal Generals Pens, Reyes and Anaya have been killed and General Ocaranza seriously wounded.

## BANK HOLDUP IN ATLANTA

Bandit Steals Buggy and Eludes Big Mob After Wild Chase.

Atlanta.—Folled in a wild attempt to loot the safety vaults of the Atlanta State Savings Bank, a negro institution, in Auburn avenue, which contained upwards of \$2,500 in gold and silver, a white would-be bandit budged a negro clerk, fled into Houston street, seized a horse and buggy, raced through the downtown streets, pursued by police officers and a howling mob, fired some five shots at his pursuers and finally eluded searchers in the block bounded by Harris and Cain streets.

A short time later a man claiming to be an actor, and giving his name as Edward Rhyndata of Denver, Colo., was arrested by Call Officer James Palmer in a room at Cain and Williams streets. The suspect was taken to the banking rooms. He was identified by six negroes as the man seen earlier in the day at the Odd Fellows' building, in which the bank is located.

## Knell Sounded for Convict Goods.

Washington.—After a vigorous partisan contest, the house passed a bill to bar foreign convict-made or pauper-made goods from competition with the products of American free labor. The measure, which now goes to the senate, follows a bill recently passed by the house forbidding the shipment of convict-made goods in interstate commerce into states which prohibit the sale of such products in the open market. The importation of foreign convict-made goods has been prohibited under the tariff laws since 1890.

## TOLLS EXEMPTION REPEAL IS PASSED

WILSON WINS IN UNRIVALED SCENE WITH A VOTE OF 248 TO 162.

### SPEAKER CLARK ELOQUENT

Makes Dramatic Speech Breathing Friendliness for the President—Scene Without Equal in History of American Legislation.

Washington.—The Sims bill to repeal the tolls exemption clause of the Panama Canal act was passed by the House 248 to 162.

The vote in the House on the passage of the Sims bill to repeal the toll exemption provision of the Panama Canal act was 247 "ayes" to 161 "nays" and 1 "present."

The scene in the house chamber when Speaker Clark yielded the gavel to Representative Underwood, the majority leader, to defend his course in the great controversy, probably was unrivaled in the history of American legislation. Never before, within the recollection of the oldest member, had the galleries been so packed, with interested spectators. Outside the galleries the corridors were jammed with disappointed hundreds. On the floor nearly every member was in his seat. Even the senate had adjourned and scores of others occupied seats on the floor.

On the final vote 200 Democrats in the house stood by the President giving him in "ungrudging measure" what he had asked "for the honor of the Nation" in its foreign relations. Twenty-five Republicans and two Progressives also voted to sustain the President. Fifty-two Democrats followed Speaker Clark and leader Underwood to defeat.

Nothing, it seemed, could stem the tide of administration success. Speaker Clark, for nearly 22 years a member of the house made the speech of his life to forestall what he termed "unquestionable degradation" of the nation. In this he failed, but he did smooth over the party breach with kindly words for his adversaries, praise for President Wilson and an unqualified denial of any vaulting ambition on his own behalf.

President Wilson was at dinner when the result of the vote was announced. He was gratified, but made no comment.

In the senate the bill will be referred to the committee on inter-oceanic canals, of which Senator O'Gorman of New York, a vigorous opponent of the measure is chairman. Senator O'Gorman has said he would call a meeting to consider the bill. That there will be a fight in the committee is certain.

## N. & W. SUSPENDS 8,000 MEN

Road Officials Say Earnings of Company Have Decreased \$1,211,000.

Roanoke, Va.—A statement was given out by President Johnson of the Norfolk & Western Railroad concerning the reduction of forces on that road.

President Johnson says the policy of his company is at all times to hold his expense to meet business conditions and there has been constant and continuous retrenchments since July 1, 1913. All work possible has been retarded and a considerable amount of additions and betterment work has been suspended and will be held in suspense until business conditions are very decidedly improved.

The statement says net earnings of the road from July 1, 1913 to March 1, 1914, have decreased \$1,211,000.

There have been suspended and relieved from service a total of 8,000 men in round houses and still further reductions will be necessary unless business revives.

## Congressman Richardson Dead.

Birmingham, Ala.—Judge William Richardson, who had represented the Eighth Alabama district in congress since his election to fill an unexpired term in the fifty-sixth session, died at Atlantic City, N. J., after being in poor health several years.

## Rate Revision for South Carolina.

Columbia, S. C.—Revision of freight rates as affects shippers of South Carolina is expected by trunk lines operating in this state, according to returns of railroad officials to the railroad commission in reference to charges of discrimination in favor of North Carolina and Georgia points. The proposed adjustment will include revision by the interstate commerce commission of rates from the east to southern points and a revision by the South Carolina destinations.

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