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ANTI-ALIEN LAND BILL AMENDED

SECRETARY BRYAN GETS
SLIGHT CHANGES IN THE
ORIGINAL DOCUMENT.

HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY FELT

Although Solons Maintain They Have
Not Changed Their Attitude They
Agree to Slight Change in the Bill
Which Has Caused so Much Attention
Throughout the Nation.

Sacramento, May 2.—The mission
of Secretary Bryan to California to
mitigate the rigor of the expected
anti-alien land legislation, was partially
successful here today when by
a vote of 25 to 13 the California senate
adopted an amendment to the
Webb-Birdsell anti-alien land bill
providing that aliens not eligible to
citizenship can lease lands in the state
for a period of three years.

The amendment was adopted after
a debate lasting about an hour.

Following adoption of the amend-
ment consideration of the Birdsell
bill and the Webb amendment contin-
ued until 1:40 this afternoon and the
senate adjourned.

Further amendments will be intro-
duced by Senators Caminetti, Camp-
bell and Wright as soon as the bill gets
back on the floor.

A long executive conference be-
tween Secretary Bryan, Governor
Johnson, Attorney General Webb,
Senator Boynton, and administration
leaders about which great secrecy was
maintained, preceded the action
above stated.

Japs Give Warning.

Tokio, May 2.—Flat warning to
California that war may follow the
passage of any land law discriminating
against Japanese was sounded to-
day at a mass meeting of thousands
of young men.

Bitter denunciation of the Webb bill
was voiced at the close of the meet-
ing. The young men served notice
that unless California modifies her
attitude toward Japanese the grow-
ing irritation of Nipponese may get
beyond restraint.

SPANKED THE PROFESSOR

DOLLAR AND NECTIE AROUSE
WRATH OF STUDENTS

"Grounds Day" Was to be Observed
by all Clad in Working Garb.

Seattle, May 2.—S. Herbert Ander-
son, professor of physics at the Uni-
versity of Washington, was publicly
spanked today by several hundred un-
dergraduates when he arrived on the
ampus wearing a collar and neck-
tie. Today is what is known as "Uni-
versity Grounds Day" and the edict
had been issued by both faculty and
students that all should appear garbed
in hard labor with pick, shovel and
without white collars or ties.

Professor Anderson ignored the
rule and the students inflicted the
malty they thought would serve to
humiliate the professor most.
Governor Lister took part in the
"Grounds Day" exercises.

BOSS RULE IS OVER DECLARES PRES. WILSON

FIGHT WITH MACHINE BOSSES
IN NEW JERSEY BRINGS
OUT CRITICISM.

SUPPORTERS PRAISE CHIEF

Tussle With Smith Faction in New
Jersey Continues—In Speeches
Last Night Wilson Sounds Death
Knell of Bossism in America, Say-
ing it is Ended Now—Reform Bill
Lives.

Jersey City, May 2.—"Boss rule in
America has ended." This is the
declaration coming direct from Presi-
dent Wilson and voiced as a warn-
ing to machine leaders in this state
who are fighting his plans for jury
reform, has struck a responsive
chord throughout the state.

Scores of telegrams of congratu-
lations on the tone of his speeches in
Newark and Elizabeth City are re-
ceived by the president. The presi-
dent expects to speak here tonight.

During conferences with the Demo-
cratic state leaders Wilson was as-
sured by Governor Fielder and lieutenants there is a chance the legisla-
ture will enact the bill in its original
form. The plans for jury reform
were formulated by Wilson while
governor, and his mission here is to
lock horns with former Senator
Smith and other machine leaders who
say they will control the special ses-
sion of the legislature next week, and
intend to submit a reform bill to re-
ferendum vote.

Planter Drowned in South.

Natchez, Miss., May 2.—Patrick
Gorham, a planter, and W. L. Crime,
his clerk, along with twenty-three
deck hands, were drowned today when
the river steamer, Concordia, smashed
into a bridge pier and sank while at-
tempting to turn into the swollen
Mississippi from the Tennessee river.
The boat sank eight minutes after the
struck the pier.

Recognized the New Republic.

Washington, May 2.—Recognition
of the Chinese republic was made to-
day, according to cable advices re-
ceived by Acting Secretary of State
Moore from American Charge d' Affairs
Williams at Peking. Notification
from President Yuan that a mes-
sage of recognition had been read
to the assembly which convened to-
day was received by the state de-
partment.

LONDON POLICE ARREST MAN AS PARTICIPANT IN ARSON

London, May 2.—Scotland Yard
arrested Edward Clayton on a charge
of conspiracy in connection with the
alleged suffragette plot to burn the
lumber yards at London. The arrest
is based on letters written to Clayton
by Annie Kenney, a militant, listing
the lumber yards and describing the
most effective method of setting fire
to them with chemicals.

Clayton refused to comment on the
charges. Clayton, Miss Kenney and
others were arrested in a raid and
arraigned in Bow street court. Ap-
plications for separate trials were de-
nied.

JOSEPH E. RANDELL.
United States Senator From
Louisiana Opposed to Free Sugar.



Negro Must Hang.

Moundsville, W. Va., May 2.—John
Medley, a negro, who has fought his
case from the circuit court to the
United States supreme court during
the five years since he was first sen-
tenced to death, will be hanged this
afternoon for the murder of Nellie
Shannon, a white man, on July 4,
1908. Medley was baptised in his cell
immediately after the United States
supreme court affirmed the decisions
of the circuit court. John Hix, a
white man, who killed Mrs. Mollie
Thompson, a widow, when she re-
fused to marry him, also will be exe-
cuted today.

Blowed Open Safe.

Eugene, May 2.—The safe of the
Springfield Wine company, of Spring-
field, Ore., was dynamited early this
morning and \$200 in cash taken there-
from. The robbers carried the safe
into the alley behind the store before
using the explosives. One of the rob-
bers was apparently injured as signs
of blood were to be seen near by.

Cookladies Make Demands.

Chicago, May 2.—Today was the
eventful day set by the cookladies to
formally present their demands for
two afternoons off a week and the
right to entertain company in the
parlor without interference from the
family. All other domestics are
standing firmly back of the cookladies
in the latter's demands.

Bryce at Berkeley.

Berkeley, May 2.—James Bryce,
former British ambassador was enter-
tained here today with a review of the
University cadets in his honor. He
sails soon for the Orient.

And "It's" a Boy.

Born this afternoon to Mrs. A. W.
Nelson a fine baby boy. Happy is
the smile that "Daddy" Nelson wears
this evening.

LONE BANDIT ROBS TRAIN OF CASH, JEWELS

DUEL FOUGHT WITH ONE OF
ROBBED PASSENGERS
SPILLING BLOOD.

IS WOUNDED BUT ESCAPES

Passenger Train Near Joplin Held up
and Robbed by Lone Bandit Who is
Fired at by Passenger Who First
Turns Over Valuables—In Duel
Passenger is Probably Fatally Hurt

Kansas City, May 2.—Boarding a
Kansas City Southern passenger train
early today, a lone bandit robbed the
passengers of \$1500 cash and jewelry
and probably fatally wounded Jesse
Short, a mine owner in a revolver
duel. The bandit, who was injured,
escaped, and was not apprehended to-
day. The robbery occurred near
Joplin.

The robber entered a chair car and
ordered the passengers to throw up
their hands. The command was
obeyed.

After robbing the chair car pas-
sengers the bandit entered the Pull-
mans. Coming to a berth occupied
by Short, he ordered him to give up
his valuables. Short dropped a thou-
sand in money, a gold watch and two
diamonds into the robber's hands and
then reached for an automatic and as
the bandit turned he fired. The rob-
ber emptied a revolver at Short's
berth, one bullet penetrating Short's
head and another struck his shoulder.
A third lodged in his knee. The rob-
ber left the train. A pool of blood
was found on the platform.

TWO TEAMS ON JOURNEY

ORATORICAL CONTEST AT PEN-
DLETON TONIGHT.

Eastern Oregon Meet Tomorrow—
Team Leaves This Evening.

One oratorical contest entry left
this morning and the La Grande team
leaves this evening, for Pendleton
where they will participate in respec-
tive events tonight and tomorrow.
Milton Stoddard carrying the La
Grande colors, enters the Eastern
Oregon oratorical contest this even-
ing and tomorrow the interscholastic
track meet will be held. Strong
teams from seven or eight Eastern
Oregon counties will participate and
the team that brings home the bacon
will not have to win over 25 points it
is generally believed.

Coach Olson will put his team
aboard the sleeper at 9:30 this even-
ing and reach Pendleton early tomor-
row morning in order to not break
up their night's sleep any more than
necessary.

The entries for the meet for La

Received by Emperor.

Tokio, May 2.—George W. Wickers-
ham, former attorney general, and
Mrs. Wickersham received an audi-
ence with the Emperor of Japan this
evening. The Wickersham party is
touring the world.

College Fire Creates Loss

UNINSURED PROPERTY DAM-
AGED HEAVILY.

Chemicals Seem Slow

La Grande Business College Fire
Conquered Early Today.

Damage to the extent of about
\$700 was done to the La Grande
Business college on the second floor
in the Sommer building, corner Depot
and Adams between 6 and 7 o'clock
this morning when a fire presumably
originating from a coal stove in the
main college room ignited wall paper.
Slight delay in application of chemi-
cals after the fire department arrived
on the scene with its usual dispatch,
necessitated the application of water
to fight down the flames rapidly lick-
ing up the walls, and while no dam-
age was done to stock in either the
L. J. French shoe store or the Ash
Bros. clothing store, immediately un-
der the scene of the fire, the water
soaked the ceiling and will necessitate
slight repairs especially in the shoe
store.

Prof. Taylor threw a handful of
coal into the little stove in his suite
of rooms before going to breakfast
and on his return found the room
choked with smoke.

Just why the chemical apparatus
failed to do its duty is not clear.
Some who were present claim the
valve on the chemical was turned
to the right when it should have been
turned to the left, thus shutting off
the chemical from the fire instead
of turning on the stream. As the
apparatus is new and kept constantly
watched there is considerable com-
plaint today because of the action of
the machine at this morning's fire.

The location of the fire was such
as to threaten the very heart of the
business district had it gotten beyond
control in the kindling-like furnish-
ings of the office room floor.

"I had just completed plans to ex-
tend the capacity of the school con-
siderably, and on adding \$1500 or
\$2000 in the equipment and making
of the institution what La Grande de-
serves in that line," said Professor
Taylor, the sole proprietor of the in-
stitution this morning. "I carried no
insurance and never dreamed of such
a thing happening there. When I
had my new equipment purchased and
installed I contemplated covering it
with proper insurance. My loss is
somewhere about \$700."

Grande are:

50 yds—Conkey, Huff, Carpy.
100 yds—Conkey, Huff, Carpy.
220 yds—Conkey, Huff, Carpy.
440 yds—Huff, Jacobson, Leffel.
880—Leffel, Carrol.
220 yd. Low Hurdles—Carpy.
120 yd. High Hurdles—Winters.
Pole vault—Conkey.
Broad Jump—Carpy, Conkey, Le-
ffel.
High jump—Ralston, Conkey.
Shot put—Ralston, Conkey.
Discus—Ralston, Winters.
Hammer—Ralston, Winters.
Relay—Conkey, Carpy, Leffel, and
Huff.

WARFARE IS DECLARED TO BE IMMORAL

PROFESSOR WILLIAM HULL
GOES ON RECORD AT AMERI-
CAN PEACE CONGRESS.

A WORLD SUPREME COURT

Everything to Be Settled by Adjudi-
cation is the Idea That Seemed to
Be Popular at the St. Louis Con-
ference—"Parity of Reasoning" is
the Professor's Slogan.

St. Louis, May 2.—Warfare be-
tween nations is immoral. This was
the declaration today of Professor
William L. Hull, of Swarthmore Col-
lege, before the second day's session
of the Fourth American Peace con-
gress at the Odeon. Practically all
the representatives of the United
States and nineteen Central and
South American countries attended
this morning's session.

"By a parity of reasoning," de-
clared Professor Hull, "it may be
justly contended that nations have no
more right to commit the immorality
of waging war than kings possess the
divine right or ruling wrong; and that
jurisdiction to prevent immorality of
warfare may be vested in a court ex-
terior to the several nations." Prof.
Hull went on to point out that the
United States supreme court has re-
cently decided, in prohibiting white
slave trade between states that "a
right exercised in morality cannot be
urged to sustain a right exercised in
immorality." Arguing for the im-
mediate establishment of a "World's su-
preme court," the speaker quoted
Wilson's inaugural in which the presi-
dent said: "The firm basis of gov-
ernment is justice," as basis for his
argument that "it is as logical for the
supreme court of the 48 states of the
Union to adjudicate the laws of the
United States as it would be for the
supreme court of the 48 states in the
family of nations to adjudicate the
conventions agreed upon by that
family at The Hague." As an ex-
ample of the substitution of trial by
laws instead of by battle, the speaker
referred to "England's inspiring ex-
ample in substituting law and courts
for war within her own borders."

Another speaker who received a
great ovation was President Charles
F. Thwing of Western Reserve Uni-
versity, and president of the Intercol-
legiate Peace association. Declaring
college men as a whole are intensely
patriotic, President Thwing said,
"But what is needed today is not less
of national patriotism, but more of
international patriotism." Commerce,
finance, communication by letter,
telegraph, cable and telephone; the
Concordia movement; the Corda
Fraternitas movement, and the migration

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CALIFORNIA LEADS IN SUICIDES

Washington, May 2.—California in
general and San Francisco in particu-
lar, gets the unenviable distinction
of leading the whole country in the
number of suicides during the year.
Memphis, Tennessee, leads in the
number of murders, according to cen-
sus statistics of twenty off states
published today.

The census shows that tuberculosis
is the principal instrument of the
grim reaper of death and Denver

leads all cities in the number of
deaths from that disease. Out of
every thousand people in Denver 292
have died from some form of con-
sumption.

In the United States 94,205 deaths
from tuberculosis were reported.
This makes a percentage of 158.9 per
one thousand. In organic diseases
the heart leads with 140.9.

The state of Montana leads in acci-
dent and murder records.