

## CURRENCY BILL TO BE PUT FORWARD

### Wilson Now Hopes for Early Action.

### SUBJECT TO FOLLOW TARIFF

### Measure Will Be Put Through Under Party Discipline.

### SPEEDY WORK PROMISED

### Outlook for Quick Settlement of Tariff Gives Indication That Scope of Extra Session Will Be Considered.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Encouraged by the rapid progress already made in the preparation of a tariff revision bill, close friends of President Wilson predicted tonight that currency reform measures would be brought before the extra session of Congress.

The President talked informally with some of his callers about the prospects for currency legislation.

They went away convinced that while the President would devote himself first and foremost to tariff revision, he now hoped that at least a start on monetary reform, if not actual legislation, would be possible in the extra session.

### President's Views Unchanged.

From the first, the President has believed in the necessity for immediate currency reform and though desirous that Congress should focus its attention and that of the Nation on the tariff question, he never has given up the idea of getting a currency measure before the country within a few months.

Some of his friends said today that they were particularly hopeful for currency reform because of the attitude of the Democratic leaders in Congress toward expeditious action on the tariff.

Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, is reported to have said that the tariff could be disposed of within three months. Like the tariff, the currency bill when drawn will be presented as a party measure, carefully worked out by Congressional committees in co-operation with the President.

It will not be made public, it is said, until it has been studied closely by members of the Cabinet, recognized authorities on currency questions, and some of the leading business men of the country in whose judgment the Administration has confidence.

The President intends to stay in Washington throughout the extra session, giving every attention to legislative questions. He has every day declined invitations to make speeches outside of the city.

The Cabinet will meet tomorrow, when the question of recess appointments will be discussed. The resignation today of Huntington Wilson as Assistant Secretary of State leaves the State Department under charge of Alva Adee, second Assistant Secretary of State. It is probable that Adee will be a recess appointment of John Bassett Moore as counselor to the State Department tomorrow so that he can co-operate with Mr. Adee in running the department. The President telegraphed Secretary Bryan that he need not cut short his vacation on account of Huntington Wilson's withdrawal.

### Many Callers at White House.

The President had a long string of callers. He talked over the tariff with Senator Thomas, of Colorado; conversation with S. H. Thompson, president of the Woodrow Wilson Club of Denver, and currency with Professor J. Laurence Laughlin, of the University of Chicago.

Tomorrow the President will discuss with New Jersey Democratic leaders the status of jury reform bill in the Legislature. George F. Lamotte, State Banking and Insurance Commissioner in New Jersey, saw the President for a short time today. He is being mentioned for Controller of the Currency and it is reported that, while the President is desirous of appointing him, he does not want New Jersey to lose his services as yet.

### Suspension of Judgment Asked.

Democratic Leader Underwood asked tonight that the country withhold judgment on the tariff revision bill until it is presented to the House and made public by the authority of its framers. All along he has insisted, as chairman of the ways and means committee, upon absolute secrecy regarding the measure. He said tonight:

"Since the ways and means committee commenced its work of revision of the present tariff laws, I have refrained from giving interviews to the press, but recently I have read in the papers so many misleading statements about the work of the ways and means committee, and so many assertions of fact which are not fact as to what the committee has done concerning the various paragraphs and schedules of the bill, that I feel that it is fair to the public to say that practically every statement that I have read in reference to the rates of duty that would be imposed on the tariff which was included in the proposed new tariff bill is absolutely misleading and most of them entirely wrong. I hope that the country will not prejudice the bill until it is introduced in Congress and authoritatively made public."

### Mr. Underwood was weary when he

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## SPRECKELS LIKELY TO RECLAIM "CALL"

### PLANS FOR 25-STORY BUILDING REVEALS INTENTION.

### Option Now Held by W. W. Chapin, Formerly of Seattle, Expires October 1, When Change Is Due.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—(Special.)—It became known today that the purchaser of the land and three-story building at the southeast corner of Market and Fourth streets, about two weeks ago, is John D. Spreckels.

At the time the announcement was made that a class A office building is to be erected immediately upon the corner, which will rise higher than the present highest building in San Francisco by many stories. The new structure will be 25 stories high and above the 25th story will be a stately cupola of dome-like proportions.

The building will be of steel frame and reinforced concrete. The cost is given at \$1,500,000. With the cost of the land added the total investment will be about \$2,000,000.

The building is to be ready for occupancy by June of next year. The new structure will be known as the Call building, as it will be the new home of that paper.

The announcement of the building of this structure for the Call building has caused much discussion here, whether John D. Spreckels will resume the control of the Call next Fall. The option secured by W. W. Chapin, of Seattle, runs out October 1, and it is evident that Spreckels purposes to take over the newspaper.

## OREGON TO BE RETAINED

### Hope of Getting Battleship in Portland Harbor Dispelled.

That the Navy Department has no intention of withdrawing the battleship Oregon from the Pacific reserve fleet at Puget Sound, is the information received by Major Cicero Newell, of 220 Third street, from a letter written to Representative Lafferty by Secretary Daniels, and forwarded here.

Major Newell has interested himself in securing that Oregon as a training ship for the Oregon Naval Militia. He maintains that there would be room on board her for 500 boys.

"A sufficient complement of officers and men cannot be obtained to permit the Oregon to lie off Portland," writes Secretary Daniels, "and it would be contrary to the policy of the department which is to keep vessels, not in active service, concentrated at one place on each coast as a fleet."

## STUDENTS MAY BE BARRED

### Rural Pupils Not Provided for in Portland High Schools.

Because "some one was asleep at the switch," as A. P. Armstrong, County Superintendent of Schools, put it, 200 children from rural districts may have to quit high school courses in Portland, if their parents cannot pay their tuition or unless the board of district No. 1 intercedes, they will have to quit their studies.

This was developed yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the board, when Mr. Armstrong appeared and pleaded with the members to make an order leaving the children in the city high schools until a tax can be levied for the purpose next year. An investigation was ordered. The tax should have been levied by the County School Board.

## PARK PROJECT ANNOUNCED

### Residents of Heights May Acquire Council Crest for City Park.

The possibility of the residents of Portland Heights and Council Crest districts purchasing Council Crest for public park purposes caused A. Duchamp, lessee of the park, to withdraw from the City Council yesterday his application for a permit to conduct a dance hall at the park.

A large delegation of residents of the districts appeared before the license committee and protested against the issuance of the permit, and, through E. L. Thompson, announced that attempt would be made to acquire the park in the name of the city.

## MAXINE DENIES MARRIAGE

### Miss Elliott Says She Is Not Even Engaged to A. F. Wilding.

NEW YORK, March 20.—(Special.)—In a cable dispatch from Cannes today, Miss Maxine Elliott, reported married to A. F. Wilding, ex-tennis champion, denied emphatically that she was engaged to him. The message followed:

"The report that I am engaged to Mr. Wilding is not true. I am not engaged and never intend to be. Maxine Elliott."

The dispatches also quoted Wilding as saying he is to marry Miss Elliott. He apparently thought it a joke.

## WOMEN REGISTER SLOWLY

### Few More Than 10,000 of Fair Sex Have Signified Intentions.

With only 20 days left in which to register, only a few more than 10,000 of 25,000 believed eligible to vote in the city have registered at the Courthouse. It was anticipated that at least 20,000 would register, but if this is to be accomplished they will have to come at the rate of 1000 a day now.

It is feared that at the last there will be a rush so great that many will not be able to register. Yesterday and the day before registration slowed up considerably.

## ADMIRAL'S WIDOW HELD AS POISONER

### Mrs. Eaton Locked in County Jail.

### ARSENIC IS CAUSE OF DEATH

### Woman May Be Examined to Determine Sanity.

### COUPLE'S LIFE TROUBLED

### Admiral Had Met Financial Misfortune, Although Once Rich.

### Wife's First Husband Caller at Home of Eatons.

PLYMOUTH, Mass., March 20.—Mrs. Jennie May Eaton was locked up in the county jail here late this afternoon pending a hearing on charges that she murdered her husband, Rear-Admiral Joseph Giles Eaton, by poisoning him.

She was brought here from Hingham, where she had been arraigned earlier in the day following her arrest.

Through counsel she pleaded not guilty, waived the reading of the complaint and was held without bail for examination March 22.

### Woman's Sanity Doubted.

It has not been determined whether the inquest into the sudden death of the Admiral will be resumed. It was intimated tonight that Mrs. Eaton might not be brought to trial. The possible appointment of a commission to pass on her sanity was suggested. District Attorney Baker had a conference today in Boston with Chief Justice Aiken of the Superior Court. It was thought his errand might be in connection with the convening of a special grand jury to consider the case.

When Mrs. Eaton, who is a stout woman, 45 years old, entered the jail here she was dressed in the black suit she wore at her husband's funeral. A mourning veil partially hid her face. She had been weeping, but generally maintained the composure that has characterized her bearing from the first.

### Admiral's Death Unexpected.

Admiral Eaton died in his bed at the home in Norwell, where he lived with his wife, her mother, Mrs. George Harrison, and his stepdaughter, Dorothy Ainsworth. The death was unexpected and due, the other members of the family said, to an attack of indigestion which followed a too hearty meal of roast pork.

Circumstances led to an investigation, and, according to a statement by District Attorney Barker today, evidence of arsenical poisoning was discovered by Professor William F. Whitney, who analyzed the contents of the

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## AUSTRIA CALLS ON ALLIES TO DESIST

### Fire on Scutari Must Cease, Is Decree.

### WARSHIPS ENFORCE DEMANDS

### Alleged forcible conversion of Catholics Angers.

### CHARGES MET BY DENIAL

### Italy Also Believed Assisting Austria in Policy Toward Montenegro and Servia — Popovitch Makes Statement.

### LONDON, March 20.—Austria, possibly with the assistance of Italy, is contemplating isolated action to stop the bombardment of Scutari, which it is alleged, now is being directed against town instead of fortress, and finally forcing the powers' decision that Albania shall be an autonomous state and that Scutari shall remain part of it.

Montenegro and Servia first will have the option of withdrawing from the task of subduing the town, which, even after its capture, if that occurs, according to the powers, must be given up by the allies.

### Austrian Warships on Way.

Part of the Austrian fleet has already left for the Montenegrin and Albanian coasts and while it is announced officially that the object of the warships is to carry out maneuvers, it is apparent that their presence is designed to impress Montenegro and Servia with the determination of Austria to prevent the further cannonading of the civilian section of Scutari and to obtain satisfaction for the alleged forcible conversion of Catholics and interference with the Austrian steamer Skodra.

The Montenegrin delegate in London, M. Popovitch, speaking for his government, describes as untrue or trivial the incidents for which Austria is demanding satisfaction. But whatever truth or importance they have, the bitterest feeling on the part of Austria has been aroused and the press and public of Austria-Hungary are demanding action.

### Priest Dies for His Faith.

According to dispatches received by the Vienna papers, 400 Albanian Catholics at Djakova, weeping and wailing, were forced to join the orthodox church, the soldiers ordering them to choose between orthodoxy and death. At six other villages the residents similarly were converted.

Various accounts are printed of the death of a Catholic priest named Pagan. (Continued on Page 4.)

## SILK CONSIGNED TO NAVY YARD SEIZED

### TRANSPORT CARRIES BOX OF GOODS TO OFFICERS' WIVES.

### Customs Inspectors Suspect Attempt to Smuggle Oriental Wares in Guise of Medical Supplies.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—(Special.)—Collector of Customs Stratton will endeavor to learn whether Mrs. W. T. McGregor, Mrs. A. Hammar, Mrs. P. D. Norton, Mrs. H. L. Troop and Miss F. M. Brown, members of families of officers at Mare Island, are officers of the United States Navy medical department at Mare Island and whether a box weighing 400 pounds, containing more than \$1000 worth of Chinese silks, notions and embroidered goods, which arrived here on the Army transport Logan last Saturday, and not on the ship's manifest, are not smuggled goods and subject to seizure.

The box was marked for the "Navy Medical Department at Mare Island," and was also marked "From the United States Navy Medical Department at Manila."

Customs Inspector Huffaker this morning discovered that the mysterious box was not noted on the ship's manifest and took it to the Custom-House, where it was opened.

The various articles mentioned were consigned to the women in small packages.

### Officers of the transport Logan disclaimed any knowledge of the consignments, which appears to be anything but medical supplies.

Collector Stratton this afternoon ordered an investigation and has sent an inspector to Mare Island for that purpose.

## FARNUM TO QUIT STAGE

### Actor Says He Will Seek to Succeed in Great Business World.

RICHMOND, Va., March 20.—(Special.)—"I am weary of the actor's life," said Edwin Farnum, who opened an engagement of four performances of the "Littlet Rebel" at the Academy of Music here tonight. "I believe I can succeed in the great business world. I have in contemplation the launching of a great motion-picture film manufacturing business. I have a large country place and other lands near San Diego, and I shall go there, establish my manufacturing plant, my studios, my art fresco theater for presenting the acting companies before the camera, my business offices and my home."

Asked if he had given A. H. Woods, under whose supervision he is touring this season, notice, Mr. Farnum said: "My contract with Mr. Woods expires Saturday night. The tour closes here. I will be bound by no more contracts. My last performance on any stage will be here Saturday night."

### Victims Willing to Help.

Mr. Wagner made public tonight several letters received from women of the underworld, who insist that they can assist the city if permitted to co-operate in their own way toward eradicating and segregating the social evil. They say this phase of the situation in New York City is the source of all graft. They support the plan of the citizens' committee to the legislators, proposing a social welfare commission, and pledge themselves to be of greater value to such a committee than all of the social and civic bodies in New York.

These women also declare that the time had come when New York should at least handle the subject practically and sensibly, and "not make any attempt to drive unfortunate women from homes that give annoyance to no one, to the streets and to the gutters, and to help swell the army of street walkers, who have no regard for their own physical condition, nor the health of the people in whose midst they circulate."

### Woman Pleads for Own Sex.

One woman wrote: "I am representing thousands of thousands of unfortunate girls that are without homes. Some are working for starvation wages. Some are selling their souls to keep off starvation and cold. These women are much like other women. All grades are to be found in their ranks—some good, some bad and others very bad. My experience is that the outcast women of society have a code of morals and are honest in the majority. The better half would be surprised to know of the self-sacrifices that many of these women make for those that are dependent upon them for sustenance, and almost every girl has one or more dependent upon her for support.

### One woman wrote:

"I have had girls in my house who had royal blood in their veins. Many of them were the descendants of the best families in Europe and America; some were the daughters of well-known clergymen of Chicago, Philadelphia, New York and Boston. The army of the 'fallen' is recruited from all ranks of society, including the daughters of the elect."

### Co-operation Is Promised.

"If you wish to get rid of graft in the police department for all time to come," wrote another woman, "remove the police department from all temptations. Take the social evil out of the police department entirely.

"If we were protected by the city, instead of persecuted and oppressed and driven and hunted from pillar to post, we would be of great help to the city by protecting the young women from the procurer and convicting every one of them by a simple process of informing this social welfare committee. Should a cadet bring a girl to our homes, we would pledge ourselves to help prosecute and convict any white slaver that comes before us. It is only through us and in co-operation with us that you will accomplish this.

"Should a young girl come to us with the intention of leading that life we could again communicate with this committee and thus save her from going further by taking care of her and persuading her and giving her a little purse, which we have done so many times, and send her home to her parents without publicity and before it is too late."

### Society Women to Appear.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Leading society women have been invited to appear before the Illinois vice commission here tomorrow to urge President Wilson to take some steps toward bettering the conditions of working women. The society leaders will be asked their opinion of the causes that lead working girls astray. Mrs. Nicholas Longworth may appear.

## WAR ON AUTOS DECLARED

### Chicago Mayor to Try to Force Slow-er Driving Through Streets.

CHICAGO, March 20.—Mayor Harrison declared war against automobiles here today, asserting that 95 per cent of drivers were lawless. The Mayor said the boulevard in front of his house was a race course for law-defying chauffeurs. The first gun he will fire will be an ordinance forbidding chauffeurs to sound any warning signal in the busy part of the city.

## HE'S NOT DEAD YET.



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