

DEMOCRATS FORCE ISSUE OF SUFFRAGE

Action of Party Caucus in Congress Makes Reprisals by Women Certain.

WILSON NOT IN SYMPATHY

President Explains Encouragement Given Sex at Seagirt Was Only as Individual—Party Sentiment Clearly Shown.

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OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 10.—The action of the Democratic party in Congress of Representatives in voting overwhelmingly against the creation of a special committee on woman suffrage has played into the hands of those advocates of equal suffrage who have been disposed to argue that the suffrage question has become a party issue. While there is division of opinion among the women themselves, particularly those operating at Washington headquarters, it is evident that in many states the women intend to join in the campaign to defeat many Democratic members who are known to be hostile to the movement.

For some time one element of the suffragists at Washington has contended that the Democratic party as a party was hostile to the suffrage cause and at first their attacks were aimed at President Wilson. Now, however, the more militant ones among the women workers are directing their attacks against the Democratic members of the House who are opposed to their contention, and they find that they have few Democratic friends in the lower house except in those states where women already have the right to vote.

President Not Forgotten.
Suffragists who are aroused over the action of the House caucus have concluded there is little to be gained by assailing the President, but they are carefully scanning the list of Democratic members who are opposed to them, sitting out those who were elected by narrow majorities, with a view to opposing them next Fall. It so happens that a great many Democrats who are in Congress for the first time represent districts that are normally Republican, or that are usually close, and these are the members who will feel the full wrath of the suffragists.

By transferring their criticism from the President to the members of the House, the suffragists have not forgiven Mr. Wilson, nor have they experienced any change of sentiment toward him. They were five months ago that the President was not in sympathy with them, but additional assurance was given them of the President's feelings when, at the recent conference, he told the suffrage leaders that he could take no stand on the question because it was not dealt with in the Baltimore platform.

A significant incident occurred at the White House when the suffragists last called on the President, who explained that he could not suggest policies to his party, but must himself be guided by the policies laid down by the party convention.

"Individual" Then Speaking.
"But, Mr. President," insisted Mrs. Glendower Evans, of Boston, one of the leaders, "when we called on you in 1912 at Seagirt, you encouraged us to believe that if you became President you would urge the enfranchisement of women."

"I was speaking then as an individual," responded the President, "and now I am speaking as a representative of the party to which I am pledged."

"Of course," said Mrs. Evans, "you were speaking for votes then."

This response stunned the President for a moment, but he smiled and passed by the incident as if it had been of no consequence.

Where the House Democrats blundered, according to their Republican brethren, was in taking this question into caucus. It would have been far better for the party in power if the House leaders had carried out their original intention and appointed a committee on woman suffrage, which could then, as they planned, have packed the committee so that it would report no legislation to the House and the same end would have been accomplished. There was so much pressure from Democrats from the equal suffrage states that a caucus was decided on and it was that caucus which gave the suffragists the argument they wanted to justify them in going into the congressional campaign next Fall.

The House caucus voiced the sentiments of the party in power, and no one questions that the vote of the caucus nearly represented the true sentiments of the Democratic majority.

COMPANY'S BOOKS SEIZED

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to a window through which he could see what was going on within.

He asserted last night that Mr. Birrel was calling off entries from the books, which Mr. Hunt was writing on paper. After watching them for about 15 minutes, he went to a telephone to communicate with Judge Gatens, but was unable to get him.

Shortly before 10 o'clock the lights at the plant went out. This left the office where Mr. Hunt and Mr. Birrel were going over the books in darkness. They borrowed the watchman's lantern and it was then that they took the books with them in the automobile and left the plant with them.

Hunt for Books Futile.

Mr. Baker immediately hurried down town, bringing H. D. Hoffmann, a stockholder and inspector at the plant, with him. They went to the office of Robert J. Upton, one of the visitors for the company, in the Fenton building, where further efforts were made to get Judge Gatens. They were not successful.

In the meantime Wirt Minor and W. M. Calk, also attorneys for the company, had also been notified and were directing efforts to find where the books had been taken.

At midnight Mr. Upton learned that two men answering the description of Mr. Hunt and Mr. Birrel had come to the office in the Yoon building of A. E. Clark, attorney for Mr. Birrel in his action against the company, shortly before 11 o'clock, but had left soon after. Another effort was made to get Judge Gatens, this time being successful.

Receiver's Removal Wanted.

Mr. Upton charged that Mr. Hunt, as receiver, had no right to permit Mr. Birrel, as a party to the suit against the company, to go through the books and make notes from them. He told Judge Gatens, who was in bed

when aroused by the telephone call, that he would ask the court this morning to remove Mr. Hunt as receiver at once and to issue an order for the arrest of Mr. Birrel. He asked also that as soon as the books could be located the judge should notify Mr. Hunt that any notes taken should be destroyed.

Judge Gatens said that he would instruct the receiver that he was entitled to possession of the books, but intimated that he was not within his rights in taking them out of the plant, that he had no authority to let any person take notes from them and that he would instruct the receiver that no copies should be made or taken away of data copied from the books.

He said further that he had previously advised Mr. Hunt that as temporary receiver he was entitled to hold the property of the company as custodian, but inasmuch as he was only temporary receiver, and the result of a further hearing might be to appoint the case was not one calling for appointment of a receiver, it was not necessary for him to go to heavy expense in employing counsel.

Biased Sympathies Charged.

Mr. Baker, Attorney Upton and F. H. Glyd, secretary of the United States Cashier Company, openly asserted last night that they believed Mr. Hunt was not a fair man as receiver, and that his sympathies were with the side of the plaintiff in the case against the company. Mr. Baker said he had been keeping watch of the plant at Kenton ever since the receiver's appointment, fearing some such attempt as that of last night.

One of the books taken away, he asserted, was a personal cash book in which he had entered expenditures incurred for the International Money Machine Company, which has taken over the United States Cashier Company since February 1. He charged that he had been refused possession of this book by the receiver, while Mr. Hunt aided Mr. Birrel in taking notes from the books.

Accounting Is Delayed.

Judge Gatens, at a hearing yesterday morning, did not give a decision on the motion to release the property of the company from the hands of the receiver, and nothing will be done toward an accounting for the assets of the company, as asked by Mr. Birrel, until he makes his ruling.

The motion probably will be argued Friday morning by Attorney Sam White, representing the International Money Machine Company, of Indianapolis, which asserts that it has bought the property.

Some of the missing books of the company, which its officers had declined to locate when he took possession last Saturday, were located yesterday by Mr. Hunt in a safe which was opened by an expert employed by him. He declared that all the missing documents were not there, however.

SENATOR URGES DELAY

O'GORMAN SAYS IMMIGRATION BILL CAN WELL WAIT.

Delicate State of Foreign Relations Suggested as Reason—Many Amendments Are Suggested.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Sentiment is beginning to develop in the Senate against any immigration legislation at this session of Congress. Hearings are being planned by the immigration committee of the Senate on the Burnett bill, with its literacy test as it passed the House, but it was apparent today that a strong effort would be made to prevent the upper branch from passing this or any other immigration measure at present.

"I cannot say what others are thinking," Senator O'Gorman said, "but my own opinion is that no legislation along immigration lines ought to be attempted at this time, when there is so much that is delicate in our relations with foreign countries. There is no great hurry for immigration legislation, and the subject might as well go over until a more propitious time."

Senator O'Gorman, who also is a member of the foreign relations committee, said his views were shared by others on that committee. Senator Smith, of South Carolina, chairman of the immigration committee, is expected to tell his fellow members tomorrow of his recent conference with President Wilson in regard to the literacy test feature of the Burnett bill, which the President is known to disapprove.

Many amendments to the Burnett bill have been suggested to members of the committee. Several will propose exceptions to the literacy test. In this connection it has been suggested that Southern planters be permitted to import Mexican laborers in the cotton-picking season. If they are sent back at the close of the season, and if farmers in the Northwest be allowed to bring in Japanese laborers from Canada for their busy harvest season.

SCREENINGS SOLD IN COAL

Fuel Company Weigher Explains "Overages" on Books.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.—The Western Fuel Company it was testified here today, used to dump screenings in with the lump coal in the barges for loading into American vessels, and kept the practice as secret as possible. "We didn't care about having the wide world know about it, and we didn't let the customs officers know, because they would peddle the coal around the waterfront," said E. H. Mayer, chief weigher for the company, testifying in the United States District Court. Mayer, who is one of four men on trial for alleged conspiracy to defraud the Federal Government, told of the practice of dumping screenings in with the first-class coal to explain the overages shown on the books, which were one of the reasons for the indictments brought.

ARMY SEEKS TO SETTLE

Alsations, However, Insist on Taking Damage Suits to Court.

STRASSBURG, Germany, Feb. 10.—Several officers of high rank in the German army visited the town of Zäbern and endeavored to compromise a score of damage suits for illegal imprisonment in connection with the violent accidents between the military and civilians there in November, according to the local newspapers.

In several cases the victims of the outrages, received offers of \$1250 and costs to withdraw their suits, but most of them insisted on going to court.

FIRE ROUTS OUT PATIENTS

Tuberculosis Sanitarium Conducted by Milwaukee Destroyed.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 10.—Forty-five patients at the Blue Mound Sanitarium for tuberculosis patients were driven out of their beds here today by a fire which swept over the institution and destroyed it, the loss being \$50,000. The sanitarium was a city institution at Wauwatosa, a suburb. The buildings were only recently completed.

Wednesday Is the Day of Our February Sale of LINENS and DOMESTICS--Affording You an Extraordinary Opportunity to Buy Best Linens at Decisive Reductions



DAMASK TABLE CLOTHS—SPECIAL \$1.69 EACH

—Every thread in these damask cloths is pure Irish linen in medium weight. Measures 68x68 inches. In a variety of neat patterns with border on four sides to match.

LINEN DINNER NAPKINS—SPECIAL \$2.75 DOZEN

—This is a special size dinner napkin—23x23 inches—of pure Irish linen in neat patterns with border on four sides.

SAMOSETE SHEETING—SPECIAL 21c YARD

—Two yards wide. This is an unbleached sheeting of excellent quality, unusually free of starchy substance.

"ROYAL" SHEETS—SPECIAL 63c EACH

—Made of fine quality of bleached cotton—no seams or rough places. Size 81x90—has three-inch head hem and one-inch foot hem.

"ROYAL" PILLOW CASES—SPECIAL 12½c EACH

—Made of same quality of cotton as sheets. Size 45x36 inches.

\$1.25 CROCHET BEDSPREADS—SPECIAL 98c EACH

—Hemmed ends, size for ordinary double bed—in prominent scroll and set patterns—border on four sides.

\$1.75 CROCHET BEDSPREADS—SPECIAL \$1.39 EACH

An extra size hemmed crochet spread, firmly woven. Choice Marseilles patterns.

60c BATTING—SPECIAL 43c SHEET

—Each one of these batts contain sufficient clear cotton for a quilt.

12½c LINEN MIXED CRASH—SPECIAL 10c YARD

—An all white linen and cotton crash of excellent quality, specially adapted for dish, roller and face towels. 16 inches wide.

10c LINTLESS CRASH—SPECIAL 8c YARD

—A full bleached, crochet pattern, absorbent, suited for general utility kitchen towels.

12½c GLASS TOWELING—SPECIAL 10c YARD

—Red and white checks of various sizes. 17 inches wide.

HEMMED HUCK TOWELS—REG. \$1.80 DOZ.—SPECIAL \$1.44 DOZ.

—A full bleached union linen towel, hemmed ends—size 36x18 inches. Of firm, even huck.

KNIT SCRUB CLOTHS—SPECIAL 8c EACH

—30x22-inch knit scrub cloths, made of heavy jute, with overcast edges. Just the thing for your mop.

5c TURKISH FACE CLOTHS—SPECIAL 3 FOR 10c

—Size 11x11 inches—made of soft, fine terry—white centers with pink borders.

25c HEMSTITCHED HUCK TOWELS—SPECIAL 18c EACH

Made of bleached union huck of high count, hemstitched and embroidered ends.

\$2 DRESSMAKER'S BUST FORMS, SPECIAL \$1.50 EACH

New style bust forms with long hip. Made of papier-mache covered with black jersey cloth. They are made so they can be used with or without stand. All perfect with the exception that the jersey is a little worn in spots on account of rubbing while in transportation. Basement.

12½c PERCALE—SPECIAL 10c A YARD

—In blue and white and black and white only. Is fine even weave in neat figures and stripes. 36 inches wide.

SULTAN CLOTH—SPECIAL 15c YARD

—A cloth made specially for quilt covering, beautifully designed in two and three-toned color or floral patterns. 36 inches in width.

BEST GRADE OF OIL CLOTH—SPECIAL 20c YARD

—45 inches wide, in blue and white, green and white, tan and white, blue vein marble, blue and white tiling and all white, together with an assortment of other fancy colorings.

25c TURKISH BATH TOWELS—SPECIAL 20c EACH

—A full bleached towel with hemmed ends. Made of two-ply cotton—size 40x23 inches—heavy terry.

BATH TOWELS—SPECIAL 25c EACH

—45x23-inch extra weight, full bleached, hemmed ends, heavy, soft terry, made of twisted two-ply cotton.

\$1.50 LONG CLOTH, SPECIAL \$1.19 THE PIECE

—12 yards to the piece, 36 inches wide, soft chamois finish, specially adapted for underwear.

25c WHITE MADRAS, SPECIAL 12c YARD

—About one thousand yards in this lot—white figured madras waisting in neat Jacquard patterns.

APRON GINGHAMS—SPECIAL 8c YARD.

—Solid and broken checks in black and white, blue and white, brown and white and green and white. This is not the ordinary loose-woven apron gingham.

DRESS GINGHAMS—SPECIAL 17c YARD

—This is the quality usually sold for 20c. Beautiful, even texture—clear, distinct colors—from pin-head checks to large plaids and from hairline stripes to the elaborate fancy stripe. Also solid colors in all shades. 32 inches wide.

25c MADRAS SHIRTING AND WAISTING 20c A YARD

—32 inches wide—a fine quality of madras in white grounds, self cord, hairline and cluster colored stripes in black, blue and pink.

25c KIMONO PLISSE CREPE—SPECIAL 18c YARD

—New Persian designs—soft, clingy finish—in blue, lavender and tan effects.

KNIT DISH CLOTHS 5c EACH

—Lintless and sanitary dish cloths, with fast edges. Made of soft, pliable cotton. Size 20x18 inches. Basement

LATEST "The Light of Western Stars"—by Zane Grey

FICTION "The After House"—by Mary Roberts Rinehart

The New Spring Dresses

Of Soft Taffeta, Crepe de Chine, Wool Crepe and Serge Have Arrived

—While these dresses reflect the new style tendencies they may be fittingly called practical, as their styles are not extreme, but are modifications of the latest modes of the day.

—There are fine black and white check dresses showing the "pegtop" skirt, and tailored-in effect. Dresses of serge in various styles. Of crepe de chine with panner effects and trimmings of self shirtings and ruffings. Soft taffeta dresses in the "bouffant" style in changeable colorings and light evening shades—many of the models being trimmed with cream-colored shadow laces and wide girdles.

Prices \$9.85, \$13.85, \$16.50, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$30.00—Third Floor.

Our Men's Furnishing Shop

Opens On Wednesday With

A Four-Day Sale of Shirts

Showing the New Spring Styles in Exceptional Colorings and Patterns

New \$1.50 Shirts, Special \$1.15

—Shirts in the newest patterns and of the latest materials in neat hairline stripes and cluster stripes in pink, blue, black and white, heliotrope, brown and plain white. Made with cuffs attached. Sizes 14 to 17½.

New \$2.00 Shirts, Special \$1.65

—Pleated shirts made of a fine quality madras, being exact reproductions of finest made-to-order shirts. Cuffs attached. Shown in a full range of sizes and sleeve lengths.

—Also shirts with soft bosoms and French cuffs with the high, new style detachable collar with each shirt. Made of corded madras and soisette.

First Floor, Washington-st. Entrance.

First Showing of the New Spring Wash Suits for Little Boys

Russian Blouse and Middy Suits
Little Oliver Twist Suits
New French Coat Suits
Genuine English Middy Suits

With One Pair of Long and One Pair of Short Pants

—Of linens, poplins, pique, percale, galatea, seersucker and other novelty materials. In all white, plain blue or fancy stripes. Made in various novelty styles with the straight open leg pants and large sailor or round turndown collars. Trimmings of hand embroidery, braid or regulation styles with emblems. Sizes 2 to 8 Years—Prices \$1.35 to \$17.50

Here Are Two Opening Specials in Boys' New Suits:

\$1.50 Suits for \$1.19
\$1.85 and \$2.00 Suits for \$1.59

—This includes a variety of Russian styles in sizes from 2 to 6 years. Short or long sleeves—round neck and side button effect. Some have the straight trousers and all are trimmed to match the collars. Of striped percales, Indian Head, fine gingham, galatea and chambray. In plain colors, plain white and fancy stripes. Trimmed with plain contrasting colors. —Fourth Floor.

Novelty Imported Sachets for Valentine Gifts

—In heart shape, in various sizes—made of pink and blue chiffons and filled with the leaves and blossoms of sweetly smelling flowers, which have been put through a special process, thereby retaining their odors for an indefinite time. Some are plain, and others are most artistically decorated with roses, or other flowers combined with loops and bows of ribbon or chiffon. Prices range from 65¢ to \$3.50. —Perfume Dept., First Floor.

Keeping Up With Paris

Special News of the New Combination Dress Fabrics for Suits

—The latest fashion development in Paris has been the prominence accorded the combination effects for tailored suits. The leading designers are showing many of their finest tailored suits made in a combination of plain and figured materials.

—Hence, in keeping with our policy of always presenting whatever is favored by fashion, while it is so favored, we have these smart combination materials, in the very newest colorings.

—They are here in seven new shades such as mahogany, Japanese blue, amber, black, the new green, dark blue and a rich brown. These fabrics are 51 inches wide and sell at \$2.50 the yard. —Second Floor.

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