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## UNDERWOOD AND HOBSON HAVE CLASH

Washington.—Representative Richmond Pearson Hobson, representative of Alabama, and his colleague, Majority Leader Underwood, engaged in a bitter debate on the floor of the house over the senatorial contest in their state, in which they are rival candidates. The oratorical duel was precipitated by Mr. Hobson reiterating utterances he made last week in a speech at Wetumpka, Ala., intimating that Mr. Underwood was "the tool of Wall street and the liquor interests" and charging that he had gained Alabama's support in the last presidential campaign under false pretenses.

Cheers from Democrats and Republicans greeted Mr. Underwood as he rose to reply, and later, when Mr. Hobson tried to interrupt, there were loud cries of "Sit down, sit down; you've had your time."

**Jim Thorpe Weds Indian Girl.**  
Carlisle, Pa.—James Thorpe, the Sac and Fox Indian from Oklahoma, world's greatest athlete and a member of the New York National League baseball team, was married here in historic St. Patrick's church to Margaret Iva Miller, a native of Oklahoma and a former student at the Carlisle Indian school, which Thorpe attended.

**Athletics Are Champions.**  
New York.—The Philadelphia Athletics won the baseball championship of the world for 1913 at the Polo grounds by defeating the New York Giants, 3 to 1, in the fifth and deciding game of the series.

**People in the News**  
Adolphus Busch, multi-millionaire St. Louis brewer, died in Germany, aged 76.

Prince Taro Katsura, ex-premier of Japan and a close friend of the emperor, died after an extended illness.

James M. Sullivan, American minister to the Dominican republic, has induced the warring factions in that country to sign a peace pact.

Failure of Governor Johnson of California to name a new medical board is keeping 500 young physicians from getting licenses to practice.

Mrs. Jennie May Eaton was placed on trial at Plymouth, Mass., Monday, on an indictment charging her with the murder of her husband, Rear Admiral Joseph G. Eaton, U. S. N., retired.

The petition to have Lola Norris and Marsha Warrington, who eloped to Reno with Diggs and Caminetti, declared dependents, was denied by Judge Shields on the recommendation of the probation committee.

**Brief News of the Week**  
Springfield, Mo., defeated the proposed commission form of government charter.

Arguments in the government's antitrust suit against the International Harvester company were scheduled to begin Monday in St. Paul.

The California railroad commission has ordered transportation lines to put in individual sanitary drinking cups which will sell to the public for 1 cent each.

Suffragettes in London interrupted services in the Westminster Abbey, with chants for suffragettes now in prison, when the clergy failed to mention the women in their prayers.

The concerted yells of 3000 fans at the Temple auditorium, Los Angeles, where they were watching the baseball score, split several pipes in the \$30,000 pipe organ.

Hereafter a matron and a policeman must stand guard with a watchful eye in every public dance hall in Boston to see that the tango, turkey trot and other dances of a similar character are not attempted.

Strong opposition to abatement of the severity of examinations at the West Point military academy is voiced by the superintendent, Colonel Townsley, in his annual report.

Commissioner of Mediation Stewart, of the federal department of labor, will recommend forthwith a congressional investigation of the strike of Colorado coal miners.

Mrs. Gus Nelson of Bay City was in town Thursday.

## NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

**Believe President Will Ask Congress to Repeal Canal Tolls on American Shipping.**

Washington.—Reports published in London that President Wilson soon would ask congress to repeal the exemption of American shipping from tolls in the Panama canal brought from the white house the brief statement that any announcement of the administration's policy on that subject at this time was unauthorized. Officials declined to amplify that statement.

In other administration quarters, however, the belief was expressed that later such a repeal would be recommended to congress, but those who spoke disclaimed any official knowledge of President Wilson's intentions. Those closest to the president predicted that any announcement of policy would not be made until the legislative situation in congress was opportune.

Last negotiations over Great Britain's diplomatic protest against the alleged discrimination were conducted by former Ambassador Bruce last February. He relinquished his post after having announced he would not do so until the matter was on the way to settlement. Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the new ambassador, has taken no steps in the question and diplomats have construed this inaction as an indication that satisfactory assurances have been given by Washington to London of a settlement of the dispute.

**Huerta Told Election Not Recognized.**  
The United States government informed Provisional President Huerta that it looked with abhorrence and amazement on his assumption of both executive and legislative powers in Mexico and that in view of his course could not regard as constitutional the elections planned for October 26.

Two notes were sent, the one strongly phrased and written by Secretary Bryan, inquiring about the safety of the imprisoned members of the Mexican congress, and the other drawn in forceful language by President Wilson himself.

Charge O'Shaughnessy reported he had conveyed both communications and had been assured with respect to the imprisoned deputies that no violence would be done them, but that they would be tried for sedition.

Administration officials hold that with most of the members of the Mexican congress in jail, a prominent member of congress who dared to speak adversely to the Huerta administration still mysteriously concealed and the congress dissolved, it is impossible for the civilized world to believe the Huerta group capable of establishing constitutional authority in the southern republic.

Germany's decision to dispatch a warship to Mexican waters attracted wide attention in official circles here.

**Commerce Judges Kept on Rolls.**  
The United States commerce court, created in 1912 to have jurisdiction over appeals from the interstate commerce commission, will go out of existence on December 31, if President Wilson signs the deficiency appropriation bill as it repassed the house.

The positions of its judges, however, were finally saved when the house accepted the senate's amendment continuing the present judges as additional circuit judges of the United States until they resign or retire.

The senate's amendment was accepted because of the belief that the deficiency bill would be indefinitely held up by the senate if the house insisted on legislating the present commerce court judges out of office.

**National Capital Brevities.**  
Jefferson McCarr, of Nashville, Tenn., has been selected by President Wilson and Attorney-General McReynolds for United States attorney for Hawaii.

L. F. Speer of Bangor, Me., chief of the corporation tax division of the treasury department, has been named by Secretary McAdoo as deputy commissioner of internal revenue in charge of the income tax administration.

Propositions whereby the railroads may avoid prosecution under the Sherman law were made to the attorney general by President Elliott, T. D. Quilyer, and President Hadley of Yale, directors of the New Haven road.

## HUERTA PUTS 110 DEPUTIES IN PRISON

Mexico City.—Declaring both branches of congress suspended, Provisional President Huerta practically assumed a dictatorship here. His formal proclamation dissolving the national legislature announced that new senators and deputies would be chosen at the election October 26.

The Mexican capital was terrorized by the boldness of Provisional President Huerta's coup when he had 110 members of the chamber of deputies locked up for failing to drop an investigation of the death of Senator Dominguez of Chiapas, who was reported to have been killed after making a speech against Huerta.

The provisional president had asked, through Minister Aldape in an address before the chamber, the reconsideration of the vote to investigate, saying the deputies had not the power to investigate a matter upon which the justice department had already passed.

**Wilkins Tells of Winters' Murder.**  
Portland, Or.—In a confession to District Attorney Evans, Lloyd Holmes Wilkins told of striking the blow that caused the death of Lou Winters, a real estate dealer, last Sunday. Wilkins, who was arrested in Vancouver, Wash., said it was not his first intention to kill Winters. He suspected Winters of knowing the whereabouts of Mrs. Wilkins, from whom he was separated, and it was the intention of the husband to force him to tell where Mrs. Wilkins could be found.

**Timothy Woodruff Dies of Apoplexy.**  
New York.—Timothy L. Woodruff, former lieutenant-governor of New York state, is dead.

## NEW LAND IN FAR NORTH

**Belief That Extensive Territory North of Siberia is Confirmed.**  
St. Michael, Alaska.—The Russian government steamers Taimyr and Wayatch, under Commander Wilitsky, which have been engaged in Arctic exploration north of Siberia for three years, arrived here for coal.

Captain Wilitsky reports the discovery of a body of land as large as Greenland extending beyond latitude 81 north and longitude 102 east.

Commander Wilitsky says that the shore of the new country where the expedition landed and along which the vessels traveled is rocky, with high, abrupt cliffs, formed evidently from volcanic activity.

In July and August the expedition saw much evidence of the presence on the land of reindeer. Many walrus were seen and bird life was plentiful.

**Daring American Aeronauts Safe.**  
London.—Safe and happy, Ralph Upson, American aeronaut, and his aide, Preston, stepped from the balloon Goodyear near the little town of Bridlington in Yorkshire, after a perilous flight across the English channel and out over the North Sea. The men are the winners of the James Gordon Bennett cup for which balloonists of all the great nations have been striving.

**B. F. O'Neil is in Prison.**  
Boise, Idaho.—B. F. O'Neil, convicted of making false reports to the state bank examiner of the condition of the Bank of Commerce while its president, arrived here in company with four other convicts from north Idaho, and immediately began his term of two to ten years in the penitentiary.

**Arkansas Is to Go Dry.**  
Little Rock, Ark.—The state supreme court sustained the validity of the going prohibition bill and Arkansas will become dry after January 1 next.

It is possible that the government will not start its suit under the antitrust law against the American Telephone & Telegraph company for several months yet, pending outcome of the suit to separate the "trust" from its Pacific coast holdings, now under way at Portland.

By the closest vote of the session, 111 to 106, the house voted to recess from its conference disagreement to concur in the senate amendment to the urgent deficiency appropriation bill, which provides for the removal of deputy internal revenue collectors and deputy marshals from civil service regulations.

## 136 LIVES LOST ON BURNING STEAMER

**Terrific Storm Prevents Other Vessels Rendering Much Assistance.**

Liverpool.—One hundred and thirty-six persons lost their lives when the steamer Voltorno of the Uranium line was destroyed at sea after having been on fire for 24 hours.

Ten steamships called by wireless to the burning ship surrounded the Voltorno for 16 hours while the fire raged at its height, but none of the rescue fleet was able to lend assistance owing to the terrific storm.

The Voltorno sailed from Rotterdam for New York via Halifax on October 2. She carried 24 cabin passengers, 540 steerage and a crew of 93. Of the 657 known to have been on board, 521 have been reported saved by the 10 vessels.

The greatest loss of life occurred when four of the Voltorno's six lifeboats were dashed to pieces against the side of the vessel a few moments after they were launched. Other lifeboats launched from the rescue fleet were also crushed by the waves.

Never before has such a disaster been witnessed by so many spectators. Huddled on the eight ocean liners, a German tramp and a Standard Oil tank steamer which heard the Voltorno's "S. O. S." distress call by wireless, unmindful of the biting cold of the gale and the danger from the huge waves which crashed over the vessels, those on board the waiting ships remained on deck throughout the afternoon and night watching the fire.

## DEMOCRAT WINS ELECTION

**Victors Declare That Campaign Was Fought on Tariff Act.**

Wheeling, W. Va.—M. M. Neely, democrat, was elected to congress in the special election in the first district, held to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of John W. Davis, democrat, now solicitor-general of the United States.

J. G. Hearne, republican, made a close fight, with G. A. McLaughlin progressive, running third.

Mr. Neely's plurality was 3300. Walter B. Nelson, socialist candidate, polled a surprising vote, aggregating more than 3000.

The vote was about 60 per cent of the normal.

The campaign was fought on the new tariff act, the election being the first since the passage of the tariff measure. Hearne and Laughlin advocated protection, and Mr. Hearne said the presence of progressive candidates in the race defeated him. The democrats refused to accept such an explanation and said the result is a vote of confidence for the administration.

**Test Suit Begun on Minimum Wage.**  
Portland, Or.—Suit attacking the constitutionality of the minimum wage law was filed against Edwin V. O'Hara, Bertha Moores and Amedeo M. Smith, members of the Industrial Welfare commission, and the court was asked to restrain the defendants and each of them from putting into effect the statute.

**Lone Robber Rifles Mail Bags.**  
San Francisco.—A masked bandit entered the mail car of Southern Pacific train No. 23 at Burlingame and at the muzzle of a gun compelled two mail clerks to crawl under a table. The registered mail then was rifled. The robber made his escape when the train slowed down in the San Francisco yards. An examination of the rifled pouches by postal inspectors showed that the loss will not be great.

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