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## Washington News

Representative Oscar Underwood is little more than fifty years old and is now a grandfather.

An Associated Press dispatch says: The inaugural parade for President-elect Wilson now promises to be one of the longest and most interesting that has ever passed through Pennsylvania avenue from the capitol to the White House. Aside from the strictly military and naval contingents, the college representations will be one of the large and varied features. Practically all of the colleges in the eastern part of the country will have representatives in the parade. Several smaller colleges in the southern states signified their intention of sending groups of marchers, either in uniform or as civilians. The war department decided that it may use a portion of its appropriation for army transportation, which will include the West Point cadets' trip to Washington. The cadets had feared they would have to defray their own expenses.

Republican senators seeking to force a confirmation of Mr. Taft's appointments, threaten to oppose Mr. Wilson's appointments.

The republican senators, by a vote of 36 to 34, forced repeatedly executive sessions in the hope of confirming President Taft's appointments. Democratic senators maintained a successful filibuster and thus far have prevented any confirmation. About 1,500 late day appointments by Mr. Taft are involved.

The department is investigating the sudden rise in the price of crude oil.

Senator Borah of Idaho, republican, announces that he will make a special fight for the house bill creating a department of labor in the cabinet.

The Washington Post says: Representative Ollie James, senator-elect from Kentucky, made himself solid for life with the members of the national fraternity of pages, before whom he spoke, when he told them that he had started his political career as a page in the Kentucky legislature, and that he remembered that his election to the position caused more thrills to run up and down his spinal cord than when he was recently elected a senator. It was in 1887. The speaker of the house then was Ben Johnson, now a member of congress from Kentucky. Mr. James was a page when James B. Beck was elected a United States senator. "Little did I think as I listened to the address of that great man to the legislature, after his election to the senate, that the time would come when I would be called upon to make a similar speech under precisely the same circumstances," said Mr. James. At their meeting the pages decided to march in the inaugural parade. They also discussed plans for an entertainment during inaugural week at Poll's theater.

Robert E. Peary, Arctic explorer, is in a hospital, having been operated upon.

An El Paso, Texas, dispatch, carried by the Associated Press, says: Enrique C. Llorente, Mexican consul at El Paso, is accused of conspiracy to ship munitions of war from the United States to Mexico, in a federal

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