

## CANNON NAMED FOR SPEAKER

### BUT THERE IS NO PEACE IN NIGHT IN CONGRESS.

#### The Fight Over the Rules to Be Taken Into the House, and Maybe the Tariff Bill Will Have to Wait—Many Insurgents Stay Out of Party Caucus.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois was to-night selected as the candidate of the Republican party in the House of Representatives for reelection as Speaker. Five other Republicans received votes for the office. There were 186 Republicans present when the caucus was called to order by Representative Currier of New Hampshire, who acted as chairman. Mr. Cannon received 162 votes as candidate for Speaker; Smith of Iowa, 10; Tawney of Minnesota, 7; Keifer of Ohio, 5; Crumbacker of Indiana, 1; and McGuire of Oklahoma, 1.

Thirty-two Republicans remained away from the party caucus. Most of them were insurgents who are bucking the House rules, and some of their number will oppose Mr. Cannon for the Speakership when the House meets in special session on Monday.

The insurgents who attended the caucus were Pickett, Good and Haugen of Iowa, Stearnson of Minnesota and Pearre of Maryland. Representative Haugen remained at the meeting until the question of the Speakership and the selection of other House officers had been settled. When the point was reached where the caucus took up for consideration the question as to whether the rules that prevailed in the Sixtieth Congress should be adopted Mr. Haugen walked out.

A concession was made at the caucus to-night to a public sentiment that appears to prevail in a number of Western States against the Cannon organization in the House. Largely through the influence of Speaker Cannon the caucus decided that in the future vacancies on the Committee on Rules, the all powerful committee in the House, should be selected by the House itself. Accordingly, through a resolution offered by Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Republican members of the Committee on Rules were put in nomination as follows: Mr. Cannon, Mr. Dalzell and Mr. Walter I. Smith of Iowa.

The insurgent Republicans declare that they have won a victory through the action of the caucus in taking from the hands of the Speaker authority to name the Committee on Rules, which they assert absolutely controls legislation in the lower branch of Congress. Furthermore, they assert that recognition of the caucus represents was accorded them when they voted in opposition to Mr. Cannon. They say that these candidates were merely dummies, put up by the committee with a view to satisfying public sentiment in districts represented by Republicans who are compelled by force of circumstances to make a show of opposition to the Speaker.

After the caucus had selected Mr. Cannon as the Republican candidate for Speaker a motion made by Mr. Dalzell that the rules prevailing in the old House should be adopted was carried. This was significant as indicating that the House leadership intends to fight it out to the finish when the House meets to organize on Monday.

The caucus convened promptly at 8 o'clock under the terms of the call issued last week. Mr. Currier, who was named chairman of the caucus, to succeed Representative Hepburn of Iowa, whose term expired March 4, was in the chair. The officers of the House other than the Speaker were promptly elected.

The House officers selected for re-nomination in addition to the Speaker were Alexander McDowell of Pennsylvania, clerk; the Rev. Henry N. Cannon, D. D., of Michigan, chaplain; Henry Caudon of Wisconsin, sergeant-at-arms; Frank B. Lyon of New York, doorkeeper; Samuel A. Langford of Minnesota, postmaster.

Efforts for the action of Representative Fauntleroy in bolting the caucus when the question of the rules was brought up, the meeting to-night was said to be harmonious.

In accepting the nomination of the caucus Mr. Cannon, who was cheered vigorously, said:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND FELLOW REPRESENTATIVES: I thank you for the mark of your confidence and esteem, and in return I promise to do my best to serve the people of my district and the people of the United States as well as I can.

We have before us a most difficult session. Legislation in a class by itself and from the standpoint of practical legislation presents more difficult problems than any other kind of legislation. A tariff bill is general in that it affects the whole of the country, but at the same time it is private and special in its nature, as it enters every district and affects the products of every farm and factory. The approaching legislation therefore will bring with it peculiar difficulties and unusual temptations. While we must regard with solicitude the interests of the people we represent individually, we must on the other hand keep constantly in mind that our first duty is to the United States as a whole, that its revenues may be sufficient for its needs and that its industrial future under our care as it has flourished in the past under the distinguished men who have preceded us as trustees under the Constitution.

Before us we will call for much industry, for unusual self-restraint and forbearance and patriotic and determined purpose that the responsible political party in the House of Representatives shall in due time return to the people with its trust fulfilled to the satisfaction of all reasonable men.

It is not only necessary that we do our duty well, it is essential that we do it as quickly as is consistent with thoroughness. The industries of over 80,000,000 people are in our hands, and the responsibility of the people may be realized with our delay.

The nation of those who have preceded us

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## 14,000,000 TO NINE-YEAR-OLD.

### Wesley Hunt Tilford's Request to Hunt Tilford Dickinson.

The will of Wesley Hunt Tilford, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company, who died on March 2, contains a specific bequest of \$4,000,000 to his grandnephew, Hunt Tilford Dickinson, who is now 9 years old. This money is left in trust for the boy, he is to receive such part of the income until he is 21 as will be sufficient for his maintenance and education. When he reaches legal age he is to receive the entire income from this \$4,000,000 fund, and when he reaches the age of 35 he is to come into the principal. Should he die before reaching the age of 35 leaving children the principal is to be divided among such children, share and share alike. Should he die without issue the principal is to be left to Henry M. Tilford as residuary legatee.

He is the son of Mrs. Andrew J. Dickinson, who was Katherine Earle and the daughter of Mrs. J. H. Earle, a sister of Wesley Hunt Tilford, who was a bachelor. Mrs. Dickinson is dead, but the boy's grandmother, who has married again and is now Mrs. Chastain, is looking after him.

Mr. Tilford left \$250,000 in trust for his brother, Richard C. Tilford, but on his death this sum is to fall back into the residuary estate.

To his sister, Mary T. Chastain, he left \$150,000, also in trust under similar conditions. To a niece, Elizabeth Lefterstein, \$100,000; to a cousin, Katherine Wood Bittner, \$10,000; to another cousin, Florence Brady Davenport, \$30,000, and to still another, Fannie T. C. Beard, \$10,000.

All the residuary estate goes to Henry M. Tilford of 24 East Fifty-second street, a director in the Standard Oil Company and a brother of the testator. J. Brooks Leavitt filed the will as attorney for Mr. Henry M. Tilford, who is also named as sole executor and trustee, to act without bond, but should he die the Farmers Loan and Trust Company is to take his place as trustee.

None of the bequests is to be subject to any tax, all such charges to be paid out of the residue. The will was executed on September 12, 1908.

## THE RECALL IN LOS ANGELES.

### Scheme Leaves City Mayorless and Under One Man Provisional Rule.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 13.—Los Angeles, Mayless city, is "recall" mad and the courts will decide upon the constitutionality of the recall feature of the city charter.

As one official put it to-day, "The city is operating under a provisional government under the E. T. Earl, owner of the Daily Express, as its dictator."

Chief of Police Broadhead to-day tendered his resignation to Earl and it was accepted. Earl told him to continue the duties until a Mayor was elected and a new police chief appointed.

Earl, through his organization, the Municipal League, has threatened all members of the Council with the recall unless they consent to vote for Alexander or some person to be decided upon as a compromise, to fill the unexpired term of Herper.

Three of the Councilmen have declared war by announcing that they will not vote for any one nominated by the Municipal League, and to-night meetings were held in each district by the recall committee looking to evoking the recall against the representative of the district.

Earl asserts that he has documentary evidence of "immoral conduct of the administration."

## ONLY MME. CASTRO RETURNING.

### Her Mission is to Collect a Few Millions Hidden in Venezuela.

PARIS, March 13.—The *Petit Parisien* says that only Mme. Castro will return to Caracas on March 26.

She will go back for the purpose of collecting the rest of her husband's fortune, which to the amount of several millions he left in a secret place at Caracas.

## NABBED AS A SAFE BLOWER.

### Waltham Jimmy Picked Up for the Attempt on the Calton, N. J., Bank.

By the arrest last night of one James Day for complicity in the attempted robbery of the Calton National Bank at Calton, N. J., the detectives believe that they have made progress toward the apprehension of an entire gang that has been riding brake beams out of New York to little towns near and making trouble where they found a place rich and unprotected enough. The arrest last night was made at Canal street and the Bowery in the middle of the joss house district which travelling crooks sojourning in New York make their headquarters. The prisoner declares that he is a miner from Soranora in New York looking for a job, but the Pinkertons say that he is James Read, alias Waltham Jimmy. Waltham Jimmy got into the Calton bank at Waltham, Conn., several months ago after serving ten years for robbing a man in Hartford. Before that he belonged to the Bridge gang, whose headquarters were at Newburgh and at Garfield Tank on the Erie. The specialty of the Bridge gang was the robbery of post offices on the Lackawanna and Erie. Among the members of the Bridge gang were Tucker Vaughn, alias Shipyard Jack; a man named Gleason, who was killed about ten years ago at Delaware Water Gap, and another man they called Squint.

The particular crime for which Day was wanted took place on February 21. At 2 o'clock in the morning the inhabitants of Calton, N. J., a little place of 700 persons, was awakened by a terrific explosion. It was found that the bank building, which had been put up only about two months before, had been entered and that an attempt had been made to blow open the vaults. The burglars made a miscalculation in their use of the nitroglycerine, however, and when they set it off there resulted a detonation that alarmed the whole countryside. At the same time the charge wasn't heavy enough to dislodge the doors, which only became jammed, making it even more difficult to force an entry than before. The burglars had disappeared before anybody got around, but Sheriff George F. Green was alerted by promptly telegraphing to all points on the Lehigh, Central and Reading railroads to get track of some men who had been seen the night before footing it along the ties from High Bridge to Calton. The Pinkertons came into the case the next day as agents of the American Bankers Association, and their work in cooperation with that of the Jersey authorities and the local police led to last night's arrest. Three other men are wanted in connection with the night's work at Calton.

## LAWRENCE MOTT TAKEN AWAY

### AUTHOR, COMMITTED TO SANITARIUM, GOES ABROAD.

#### Physician Says He's in Bad Shape and Will Be Put in a Sanitarium in England—Says Too That Mott's Recent Adventure With a Burglar Was Imaginary.

WHITE PLAINS, March 13.—Lawrence Mott, author, clubman and yachtsman, who has a country place called Pine Tree Farm on the Tarrytown road and who was ordered committed yesterday by County Judge William Popham Platt to a sanitarium on Long Island, was not taken to the asylum, as his relatives at the last moment decided to send him to Europe. He sailed this morning in charge of an attendant on the steamship Philadelphia.

Mr. Mott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jordan L. Mott, are in London, and they sent a cable message asking that their son be allowed to sail for Europe. It is understood that when he reaches England he will be placed in a sanitarium there.

The Motts are a wealthy family. Jordan L. Mott is the son of the millionaire founder of the Mott Iron Works. Lawrence is a well known writer of fiction, is an expert yachtsman and a member of several New York clubs. Recently he began acting queerly. He imagined that burglars were trying to rob his home and he practically turned his house into an arsenal.

On February 26 he called up several newspaper men at White Plains, friends of his, and gave a graphic description of how he had fired on two masked burglars who, he declared, he had caught trying to enter his room. He told how he wounded one, that a blood trail was found on his lawn and finally that the wounded burglar was carried away by his companion in a racing automobile. According to Dr. Ernest Schmidt of White Plains, one of the physicians who passed on Mott's mental condition, the burglary story was all a dream of a disordered mind.

The other physician who examined Mr. Mott was Dr. Bailey of Manhattan, and on their report Judge Platt, so he said to-day, signed the necessary papers committing the author to a sanitarium.

Dr. Schmidt when asked to-night why the Judge's order was not obeyed said: "It was a family matter, and it was at the option of his relatives to send him to a Long Island sanitarium or not. His parents cabled for him to be sent to Europe, and as Mr. Mott was willing to go it was decided to let him sail with an attendant."

"Mr. Mott is in bad shape, and I understand when he reaches England he will be placed in a sanitarium there. Too much drink has affected his mind, and if he kept away from liquor he will probably recover."

At 7 o'clock this morning Mr. Mott was placed in an automobile and, accompanied by Ambrose F. McCabe, his lawyer; Deputy Sheriff Philip Kuss and Policeman Paul Shay, he was driven to the White Plains station, where the party boarded a Harlem train for Manhattan. From the Grand Central Station Mr. Mott was taken in a cab to Pier 15, North River, whence the Philadelphia sailed.

## TARIFF BILL NEARLY READY.

### But It May Not Be Reported to the House Before Thursday or Friday.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The new tariff bill is nearing completion. It may get into the hands of the Public Printer late to-night or early to-morrow, but it will not be made public before Tuesday or Wednesday of next week and maybe later than that. It is probable that the bill will not get into the House until it is accompanied by a favorable report from the Ways and Means Committee. In that case it can hardly be reported before Thursday or Friday.

The Democratic members have not participated in the preparation of the bill up to this time. They sat in the hearings, but were excused by the majority members when the real constructive work was begun. It is planned by Chairman Paoli and his colleagues to invite the Democratic members into conference on Wednesday and permit them to take a look at the bill. The present indications are that the Democrats will oppose a duty on coffee or an increase of the beer tax, suggesting that the deficit in revenues be made up by an inheritance tax.

The majority members were guarding their conclusions carefully to-night. Information as to details was painfully lacking. The more important points in dispute are still only tentatively settled and may be changed before the bill is finally reported to the House. The Ways and Means Committee members are desirous of keeping their conclusions from the public until the bill gets into the House to escape pressure of the industrial interests.

## TO REVIVE FRENCH NAVY.

### Cabinet Division Healed by Appropriation of \$35,000,000.

PARIS, March 13.—A three hours Cabinet meeting to-day settled the differences between Ministers Picard of the navy and Caillaux of Finance, which it had been expected would bring on a ministerial crisis and the resignation of one or the other member of the Cabinet. Picard wanted \$23,000,000 francs (\$44,750,000) voted for the navy.

M. Caillaux, who is the Minister of Finance, was willing to lend \$50,000,000 francs (\$95,000,000). An agreement was finally reached on \$40,000,000 francs (\$76,000,000), and this is to be spread over six or seven budgets.

The money is in the form of an extra vote for placing the navy on a proper footing, repairing and enlarging docks and increasing the supplies of ammunition. None of it is to go for new ships.

Thirty million francs (\$60,000,000) will be voted in 1909 and the same in 1910, beyond which the present Government cannot pledge the Chamber in advance.

## Referre in Frank Gould Divorce Case.

Edward G. Whitaker was named yesterday as referee to hear the testimony and report his findings in the suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Helen Kelly Gould against Frank J. Gould. Mr. Whitaker was named on consent of the counsel concerned, having acted as referee in some proceedings to take testimony before trial some months ago.

## MME. STEINHEIL HELD.

### Formally Accused of Murdering Husband and Mother at End of Inquiry.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. PARIS, March 13.—The preliminary inquiry into the murder of the artist Steinheil and Mme. Japy, his mother-in-law, was concluded by the examining Magistrate to-day.

Mme. Steinheil, who has been in jail some weeks on the direct charge of having killed her husband and her mother, was informed by the Magistrate that he had sufficient evidence to charge her with the murder. He reviewed the evidence at great length.

All the while the woman protested vigorously against his statements. The documents will be forwarded to the chamber of indictments.

## MARINES APPEAL TO MEYER.

### They Ask the Secretary to Revoke the Regulations Ordered by Roosevelt.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The Marine Corps has appealed to the new Secretary of the Navy asking that the naval regulations ordered by President Roosevelt on the day before he left office be reconsidered and if possible revoked. The alterations in the regulations ordered by President Roosevelt limited the functions of the marines on shipboard to such an extent as to make them, according to their own view, almost useless if the commanders of warships chose to impose upon them.

Major-General Elliott, commandant of the Marine Corps, has directed a letter to the Secretary of the Navy on the subject and this letter is now under consideration. President Roosevelt's changes in the regulations are considered by the marines to be entirely inconsistent with the intent of the law adopted by Congress restoring the marines to duty on armored cruisers and battleships. Congress passed a law providing that the marines should serve on the ships "as heretofore." The regulations adopted by President Roosevelt, while not altering the decree of Congress that the marines serve aboard ships, change their status to a condition which the marines contend is certainly not "as heretofore," as Congress meant. This inconsistency is pointed out to Mr. Meyer and reconsideration of the matter is requested.

## PRIEST KNOCKS HIM DOWN.

### Abusive Drinker in a Saloon Feels Father Preston's Fist.

St. Lawrence's Catholic Church in Weehawken, who has frequently criticized the police of that town for their failure to close the saloons on Sundays, gave the cops a lesson on Friday night in the art of cleaning out a barroom in which a small sized riot had broken out.

A Republican club had a meeting in a back room of John Collier's saloon, at Eighteenth street and Willow avenue, a few steps from the rectory, and at the close of the session the members drifted into the barroom. A gang of Democrats bent on mischief greeted them in the saloon and in a few minutes an old fashioned row was on.

The priest heard the racket from his rectory and failing to find a policeman he walked in the front door. He commanded all hands to behave themselves like men and go home to their wives and families. The majority of the scoundrels ran into the open air, fearing the priest would recognize them. William Walsh, a townsman who had filled up on booze, resented Father Preston's intrusion and loudly declared that he didn't care for all the priests in Christendom. He made other insulting remarks, and the clergyman stopped his flow of abuse by planting a good strong blow on Walsh's face. The man dropped where he had stood and lost no time in sneaking away. The priest then went home to bed.

## CAUGHT ROBBING A BANK.

### Well Known Young Man of Galena, Kan., Shot While Trying to Escape.

GALENA, Kan., March 13.—The hope of improving his financial condition caused Fred Davis, one of the best known young men of Galena, to adopt the desperate expedient of turning bank robber. As a result he is desperately wounded and now in a hospital here, while officers sit beside him to guard against the possibility of his escape.

Davis was shot at 2 o'clock this morning while trying to escape from officers who detected him in the act of drilling into the vault of the Minors State Bank of Galena. The clang of a hammer of steel attracted the attention of Policemen Hallmark and Phillips. They investigated and found that the sounds came from the bank. As they entered Davis ran out. They called to him to stop. No heed was paid to the command. They then fired. The robber fell at the first shot.

Running to his side the officers were astonished to find that their victim was Fred Davis, known to them and to pretty nearly every other person in Galena. Davis is the son of H. S. Davis, a merchant here almost since the organization of the town. Fred Davis was born here and is in business with his brother-in-law, Thomas Kennedy, in a machine shop. His wife is a sister of Kennedy. He is 33 years old and his family consists of his wife and five small children. He served as a volunteer in the Spanish-American War.

It was the hope of branching out in business and providing better for his wife and children that caused Davis to turn bank robber. It was his first venture into crime, and lying on his cot this morning he admitted with quivering lips that he entered into the project deliberately, with full consciousness of the consequences if caught.

"Hard circumstances forced me into the job," he said, "and there is no use crying because I was caught. I will use to take my medicine. What I think more of than anything else in my family, my five children. I wish to God the officers had shot me through the heart instead of through the groin."

## TOP OF MOUNTAIN FELL OFF.

### Kentjana Crushes Three Villages and Kills 1,000 People in Java.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 13.—The Empress of China, which arrived here last night, brought news of the destruction of three villages in Java by the top of Mount Kentjana falling off.

A thousand people were killed.

## SALE AT \$307 A SQUARE FOOT

### FOURTH NATIONAL BANK BUYS A DOWNTOWN PLOT.

#### Gets the Whole Block Front on Nassau Street From Cedar to Pine and Will Erect a Large Building—Germania Life Insurance Company the Seller.

The largest real estate deal made in the financial district in several years was put through yesterday. The Fourth National Bank, which owns and occupies the northeast corner of Pine and Nassau streets, acquired from the Germania Life Insurance Company the adjoining building at the southeast corner of Cedar and Nassau streets and is now in control of the entire block front on the east side of Nassau street from Pine to Cedar street.

The Germania Life Insurance Company has been holding its property at \$1,500,000, and it is understood that the actual price paid was close to that figure. The plot measures 73.1 feet on Nassau street and 72.2 feet on Cedar street. The average price per square foot was about \$307. This figure has been surpassed by only three other sales of New York city real estate. Two small plots at the southeast corner and the southeast corner of Broad and Wall streets sold over thirty years ago at the rate of \$330 and \$345 a square foot respectively. The southeast corner of Broadway and Wall street brought \$333 a square foot four years ago. This is the record price for real estate in New York city.

The Fourth National Bank bought, four or five years ago, a plot 23.9x71.10 feet at 23 Pine street, adjoining its property on the east, so that it now controls frontages of 149.3 feet on Nassau street, 94.1 feet on Pine street and 72.2 feet on Cedar street. On this site it intends to erect a modern office building with adequate quarters for its own use on the ground floor. The plot is the only large parcel available for improvement in the immediate vicinity of the Stock Exchange. As a site for a tall building it possesses advantages in the way of unobstructed light and air.

The Germania Life Insurance Company possesses a written agreement allowing it to occupy its present quarters for two years or more, but it is not thought probable that it will insist upon exercising this privilege if the bank wishes to start work on its new building immediately.

William H. Wheelock, vice-president of Douglas Robinson, Charles S. Brown & Co., negotiated the deal.

## DEEPER SOUTHAMPTON WATER.

### \$550,000 Will Be Spent to Prepare Port for Big White Star Liners.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. SOUTHAMPTON, March 13.—The Harbor Board will meet on Tuesday to consider the report as to the improvements necessary before the new White Star liners will be able to enter the port.

The report shows that it will be necessary to dredge the channel to a depth of 34 feet and that the cost will be about \$550,000.

## MORE MONEY FOR CHALONER

### To Live On in Virginia, in Which State He Is Sane.

On the application of John Armstrong Chaloner, through his committee, Thomas T. Sherman, Justice Fitzgerald signed an order yesterday directing Mr. Sherman to allow Chaloner \$13,000 a year out of the estate of the applicant, who is considered an incompetent in this State, though the courts of Virginia, where he resides, have declared him to be sane.

Chaloner sets forth through Mr. Sherman that he is living "the life of a country gentleman," but that his expenses as such exceed by a large amount the \$10,000 which has heretofore been set aside for his maintenance as an alleged incompetent. He was adjudged insane here in 1899, but escaped from Bloomingdale in 1900 and fled to Virginia, where he has since been living. He is a brother of Lewis S. Chanler, the former Lieutenant-Governor, but prefers to spell his name as he says their ancestors did. He was once married to Amélie Rives.

## TEXAS SENATOR EXPELLED.

### Made Charges Against Other Senators Which He Could Not Prove.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 13.—The regular session of the State Legislature came to a close to-night after stormy proceedings covering the last two days. Gov. Campbell issued a call this evening reconvening the lawmaking body in extraordinary session for the purpose of passing the State bank guarantee bill and other measures of minor interest. The new session convened to-night.

The Senate to-day by a vote of 21 ayes and 8 nays expelled Senator Bascom Thomas from his seat for charges of corruption which he had publicly made and which he failed to substantiate before a special committee appointed to take testimony relating thereto. Gov. Campbell immediately issued a call for a special election to be held April 3 to fill the vacancy caused by Thomas's expulsion. Thomas said he would be a candidate for reelection.

## FOURTEEN HEINZE CLAIMANTS.

### Reward Went to Jeweller Who Reported That the Greek Had the Necklace.

OMAHA, March 13.—There were fourteen claimants for the reward for the discovery of the Heinze necklace when the replevin suit for possession of the \$100,000 jewel came up before Judge Cockrell this afternoon.

Mr. Heinze had offered \$500 reward for the return of the necklace, and in hopes of securing this reward the attorney for Sava, the Greek finder of the necklace, prevailed on a man searching for a robber came up to-day and was dismissed. In the meantime Mr. Heinze had secured the jewel and last Monday he left the city with it.

The reward went to the jeweller who reported the Greek as being in possession of the necklace, but two detectives, one patrolman, four attorneys, three interpreters, two jewellers, one banker and the Greek all wanted a slice of the money.

The general opinion among the claimants is that Mr. Heinze got off too easy and that he should have been compelled to pay about \$5,000 for the necklace.

## DEWEY'S PURE GRAPE JUICE.

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## BOND ISSUE IN SIGHT.

### Tawney Says the Government Will Have to Make One to Pay Its Debts.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Representative James A. Tawney of Minnesota, chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, sounded a note of alarm to-day in regard to the national finances. He predicted that the Government would be obliged to make a bond issue in order to meet its obligations. Mr. Tawney said at first that he believed this bond issue would have to come before July 1, but he changed this later, declaring that he preferred not to indicate any date. Mr. Tawney said that the Treasury was claiming a cash balance of \$137,000,000, but when it discharged certain obligations the balance would dwindle far below that amount.

## DRESSMAKER'S GOWNS SEIZED.

### She Is Mrs. Langley Morrison of Boston, Never Troubled Before.

Mrs. Langley Morrison, a Boston dressmaker who has been many years travelling between Paris and New York, got into trouble on Friday for the first time with the customs men. She arrived by the Cunarder Mauretania. A gown that she declared she had bought here and taken abroad with her attracted by its newness the notice of Deputy Surveyor Alexander McKeon. He made an examination of it and found the maker's label had been removed. Several other gowns in Mrs. Morrison's outfit had been tampered with similarly. She finally admitted that she had bought them in Paris and they were seized and sent to the public stores. Their value is about \$900.

## ANTI-NOISE ADMIRAL.

### Cuts Out 9 o'Clock Gun That Has Marked Time for Norfolk for 100 Years.

NORFOLK, Va., March 13.—Admiral Tausig, commandant of the Norfolk Navy Yard and a disciple of the anti-noise propaganda, aroused the city of Portsmouth and the entire community to-day by issuing an order for the discontinuance of the firing of the ancient 9 o'clock gun at the navy yard.

From time immemorial it has been the custom to fire this gun at 9 o'clock nightly and by it everybody for miles around marked time. Children were put to bed by it, and by it neighbor regulated call on neighbor. The custom of firing the gun nightly is said to have obtained for more than 100 years.

Admiral Tausig has also suppressed the continued unnecessary blowing of whistles and ringing of bells at the navy yard.

## FOR BETTER OR WORSE.

### Anti-Divorce Bill in Delaware Legislature—Lash Proposed for Wife Beaters.

DOVER, Del., March 13.—Doing away with all divorce and legal separations of married persons in Delaware is contemplated by the present Legislature, as was shown to-day in a bill introduced by Representative Connolly, a devout Roman Catholic, of Wilmington.

The bill repeals the international divorce law, recently adopted by Delaware, and all other laws for legal annulment of marriages.

Companion bills to the above have already been passed by the House of Representatives, one providing two months imprisonment for illegal relations with affinities and another prescribing imprisonment and twenty or more lashes on the bare back at the whipping post for cruelty to a woman in the form of wife beating.

## D. O. IVES GOING TO BOSTON.

### To Be Head of the Merchants Association's Transportation Board.

BOSTON, March 13.—The executive committee of the Boston Merchants Association has appointed David O. Ives to be head of the new board of transportation. Mr. Ives is chairman of the joint classification committee which represents all trunk lines east of the Mississippi River, with offices in New York. He probably will take up residence in Boston about May 1. The object of the new organization of the Merchants Association is to help the people of New England to make the best use of the transportation facilities and advantages they have and to secure better ones.

## WIRELESS JESTS.

### Help the Machinery Club Make Merry at Its Smoker.

FIVE HUNDRED members of the Machinery Club and half as many guests attended the club's smoker yesterday afternoon in the Hudson Terminal Building. A vaudeville entertainment was furnished by the amusement committee, but the feature that seemed to please the members most was a series of wireless telegrams. All the messages were genuine except as to the detail of the signatures, and were sent by members of the club from Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia. Here are some of them:

Associate editor of *Outlook* will call on you for details of smoker. Don't tell him too much; he gets a dollar a word.