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## FIREBUG BLAZES WAY THROUGH CITY

Keeps Department on Jump With  
Calls From Livery and  
Feed Stores.

SEVERAL FIREMEN OVERCOME

Series of Alarms Follows in  
Quick Succession—Consider-  
able Damage Done.

Blazing a trail from Second and Mar-  
shall, through Broad Street and the  
Second Market district to Nineteenth  
and Franklin Streets, an incendiary yester-  
day afternoon applied the torch to  
six buildings and called out seventeen  
engine companies and trucks before the  
last of the sparks he struck were ex-  
tinguished.

In one of the most serious fires of the  
series—Thomas S. Winn & Co., hay  
and feed dealers, 503 East Marshall  
Street—several firemen were overcome  
by the heat and smoke. They are:  
Lieutenant Smith, of No. 1 Truck; Lieuten-  
ant Parker, of the same company, and  
Fireman George M. Andrews, of En-  
gine Company No. 7. George W.  
Robertson, of Engine Company No. 16,  
was slightly injured by broken glass,  
but was able to continue service. Lieuten-  
ant Parker and Fireman Andrews  
were taken to Virginia Hospital for  
treatment. Lieutenant Smith was  
treated in the Broad Street Engine  
House and returned to work. He re-  
entered the burning building and was  
ordered out by Chief Joyner.

ALARMS ARE RUNG IN  
RAPID SUCCESSION

The first came in rapid succession,  
the first alarm coming in at 1:47  
o'clock. From that time they continued  
until 5 o'clock, when No. 13 box, at  
Nineteenth and Franklin Streets, was  
turned in. Chief Joyner was kept  
running from pillar to post and back  
again, so that at times he didn't know  
where the latest fire was. When he  
finally turned in at headquarters he was  
wet from head to foot, but decided to  
remain on duty without changing  
his clothes, for fear that the manual  
laundry might not be satisfied with  
the work he had already accomplished.

The first fire was that in Winn's  
feed store, on Marshall Street, which  
was blocked by country carts come to  
bring their produce for the market. The  
Policeman Stockmar called out the ap-  
paratus. No sooner had the engines  
arrived and the firemen begun their  
work than a negro ran up excitedly to  
say that the feed stable of W. J. Tomp-  
kins, 425 North Sixth Street, was afire. Hay  
and alfalfa were found to be ablaze  
but the flames were extinguished be-  
fore damage was inflicted. Then in  
rapid succession came other reports.  
Fire was found in the basement of  
Robins's drug store, Second and Mar-  
shall Streets, and in the basement of  
Jeffries's drug store, 214 East Broad  
Street, in the rear of Fifth and Broad  
Streets, where the torch had been ap-  
plied to a pile of trash. Oil paper was  
found, it was stated, near the fire in  
Robins's drug store. In Jeffries's  
drug store the fire was found in a pile  
of excelsior bedding in the rear. These  
minor fires were extinguished by peo-  
ple on the premises.

LIVERY AND FEED STABLES  
ARE CHIEF SUFFERERS

While numerous pieces of apparatus  
were scattered in every direction,  
the Second Market to cover that dis-  
trict, there came an alarm from Box  
213, South Tenth Street, where hay  
and feed had been set afire in Crull's  
livery stable, 16 South Tenth Street.  
Apparatus was sent to this fire, ar-  
riving in time, it had little difficulty  
in unenching the flames.

Before the fire in Winn's feed store  
had been conquered, an alarm was  
sounded from Box 18, Nineteenth and  
Franklin Streets. Firemen found the  
Franklin feed stable ablaze, and in-  
vestigation showed that the incendiary  
had broken through a window in the  
rear. This fire was reached before it  
could assume serious proportions.

The blaze in the Winn store was not  
completely extinguished until nearly 6  
o'clock. The dry hay blazed furiously,  
casting dense clouds of smoke through  
the market, and giving the appearance  
of a fire of tremendous proportions.  
Marketing was stopped. People from  
every quarter rushed to the scene.  
Country marketers saw with dismay  
their fresh vegetables drifting in the  
swift streams running from the burn-  
ing building. Housewives clung to  
empty baskets, for there was no mov-  
ing among the throngs of people and  
the lines of country carts backed in  
every conceivable manner against the  
curb. Horses and mules were taken  
from the shafts and moved to places  
of safety. Ever and anon as the fire-  
men, half-overcome by smoke, heat of  
the fire and heat of the day, worked,  
the firebell tolled dismally. The bell  
hangs above the Grays' Armory, and  
the heavy hammer could be seen clang-  
ing away against the brass.

FIREMEN HAVE MANY  
NARROW ESCAPES

At one time in the Winn store Chief  
Joyner found himself and his men  
caught on a stairway, which acted as  
a due for flame and smoke. He had  
to cut his way out by the burning  
beam. They continued pouring  
water from the outside. Even when  
the blaze was apparently extinguished,  
the men remained to examine the bales  
of hay for further vestige of spark, and  
then came the arduous duty of clean-  
ing up. Damage to the building was  
estimated by Chief Joyner at between  
\$1,500 and \$1,800. Most of the hay was  
damaged, but much of it may be pre-  
pared for use.

In the Hyke's stables, 410 North  
Fifth Street, fifty vehicles, a carload  
of hay and a quantity of oats were de-  
stroyed. Some of the vehicles belonged  
to people who boarded their horses  
there. The damage to feed and  
vehicles is estimated by Charles B.  
(Continued on Second Page.)

## Vote on West Indies May Come Up To-Day

COPENHAGEN, August 11 (via  
London).—The Folketing to-day  
continued the debate on the sale of  
the Danish West Indian Islands to  
the United States. The opposition  
speakers severely criticized the gov-  
ernment's action in issuing repeated  
denials that negotiations for the  
sale of the islands were in progress.  
They also repeatedly suggested that  
the population of the islands should  
be allowed a referendum on the pro-  
posed sale. The Foreign Minister  
said that he had asked the Ameri-  
can government whether it was fa-  
vorable to such a referendum, and  
that the American government re-  
fused to sanction it. He added, how-  
ever, that he was willing to bring  
the matter again to the attention of  
the United States.

The debate will continue to-mor-  
row, and it is possible that a vote  
may be reached in the evening.

## GREAT CROWD VIEWS COMMUNITY DANCING

Unique Civic Event in Open Street  
Is Feature of Better Acquaint-  
ance Week.

Promoters of Trade Week Express  
Their Thanks to City Authorities.  
More Merchants Register Than in  
Former Years.

Not for many days has Richmond  
people of all ages and degrees assem-  
bled in such numbers as turned out on  
Tenth Street between Broad and Mar-  
shall last night to the open-air dance  
given by the visiting merchants and  
their families of Better Acquaintance  
Week. The street and sidewalks were  
constantly packed, and people came  
and went throughout the evening.  
Thousands attended, but to estimate the  
exact number is little less difficult than  
to count the flakes of meal with which  
the street was slicked. G. Jeter Joens,  
was master of ceremonies.

Love of novelty probably caused as  
many to come as did the pleasure an-  
ticipated from dancing. Many danced,  
and a great many more watched them  
dance. For the first time in the history  
of Richmond, a public thorough-  
fare of the city was the scene of a  
party, and the guests of honor were the  
Better Acquaintance Week visitors.  
The success of the affair was so great  
that members of the Administrative  
Board are already talking of other  
similar municipal balls.

Along both sides of Tenth Street  
were stretched strings of electric  
lights. Red, green, yellow, purple and  
blue lights beamed on the people and  
made the street as bright as day.  
Ropes inclosed a great smooth asphalt  
dancing floor in the center of the street.  
On one side was the stand, in which  
Kenneth's Municipal Band played its  
liveliest airs.

MAMMOTH CROWD  
ENJOYS THE DANCING

Including all features of the street,  
and filling the approaches was the  
mammoth crowd. In vain did the police  
attempt to clear the roped-in dancing  
party, weaving in and out among other  
couples and frequently bumping  
against the spectators awayed the dan-  
cers. Although the heat was oppressive  
anywhere last night, and especially so  
in the multitude, no one hesitated,  
that account from plunging into the  
midst. Although there was a record  
crowd, there was practically no disor-  
der or ill temper.

After almost two hours of music,  
dancing and good spirits, the crowd  
was dispersed by a light shower of  
rain. As it was within a short time  
of the hour set for the close of the  
party, no particular harm was done.  
In leaving the scene, however, the peo-  
ple filled all streets and afforded ad-  
ditional evidence of the numbers who  
had attended.

Chairman Hirschberg and Graham  
Hobson, of the Administrative  
Board, are reported to be so pleased  
with the success of the affair last  
night that they promise other munici-  
pal balls for the future. And they say  
that, profiting by experience, next time  
they will have the dancing floor in-  
clude several squares of the city  
streets instead of one, and will have  
four or five bands to furnish the music.

APPRECIATE CO-OPERATION  
OF ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

Members of the trade extension bu-  
reau of the Richmond Chamber of  
Commerce last night expressed their  
appreciation of the co-operation of the  
Administrative Board in entertaining  
visitors during Better Acquaintance  
Week. "Say a good word for the  
board," said one member of the enter-  
tainment committee. "The board has  
deserved full credit for the ball to-night.  
It's their affair."

The dance last night closed the for-  
mal program of the biggest and most  
successful Better Acquaintance Week  
in all the four years' history of the  
occasion. More merchants and more  
of their wives have registered than  
ever before. It is stated also that the  
program has been carried out with less  
friction, and that the visitors have had  
a better time than at past festivals.

"I have never heard more gracious  
words of appreciation than those which  
spoken this week," declared Business  
Manager Dabney, of the Chamber of  
Commerce.

To-day will bring the occasion to a  
close. Most of the visitors will have  
left the city by this evening. Tickets  
have been issued by the trade exten-  
sion bureau which admit to moving-  
picture shows or baseball games to-  
day. Individual firms will also give  
entertainments to their customers.

184 Lake Junaluska, N. C., and Return,  
August 11 to 15 Inclusive. Return limit  
September 1st. Account Triennial Confer-  
ence of Southern Methodist Laymen,  
SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

## MEDIATORS FAIL TO BRING PEACE

Their Efforts to Avert Railway  
Strike Virtually at  
Halt.

NEITHER SIDE WILL YIELD

Unless Turn Comes Soon, Ap-  
peal Will Be Made to  
President.

NEW YORK, August 11.—Whether  
the leaders of 400,000 employees of the  
railroads of the country will make good  
their threat of a general strike unless  
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an authoritative source. The only hope  
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HOPEFUL THAT BOARD  
MAY BE ENLARGED

The members of the Federal Board  
of Mediation and Conciliation, while  
declining to discuss the situation, are  
said to be hopeful that an expansion  
of the board provided for under the  
Newlands act may meet this objection.  
Effort to obtain from Washington ap-  
proval of this plan was reported to  
have been responsible for an apparent  
suspension of the mediators' activi-  
ties to-day.

If this suggestion is not accepted,  
it was said to-night, the mediation  
board will have failed in its efforts,  
and the only recourse will be an ap-  
peal to President Wilson to use his  
influence to avert a strike. It was  
pointed out, however, that the Presi-  
dent's powers will be limited to sug-  
gestion and recommendation.

The three mediators—Chairman Mar-  
tin A. Knapp, William A. Chambers and  
G. W. W. Hanger—were to meet with  
the brotherhood men early to-day, but  
requested an adjournment until to-  
morrow. The mediators also failed to  
meet the railroad managers.

WILL NOT ARBITRATE  
UNDER NEWLANDS ACT

Leaders of the brotherhoods have de-  
clared that they would not consider  
arbitration under the Newlands act, as  
it now stands. The railroads have re-  
jected the men's demands and have  
stood firmly for arbitration. The men  
have served notice that rather than  
arbitrate they will strike. With both  
sides taking such an unbending atti-  
tude, there is no solution to the prob-  
lem, except a new arbitration plan,  
according to a responsible authority.

The principal feature of the new plan  
is said to be the formation of a board  
of arbitration that will give each of  
the four brotherhoods a representative  
on the board, while the arbitrators of  
the railroads will be increased to an  
equal number, with four neutral arbi-  
trators, making a total membership of  
twelve.

CALLS TO SEE PRESIDENT  
IN EFFORT TO STOP STRIKE

WASHINGTON, August 11.—R. T.  
Frazier, of Nashville, Tenn., represent-  
ing railroad employees in five States in  
the South, who have signed a petition  
asking congressional action to prevent  
a nation-wide strike, called at the  
White House to-day to make an en-  
gagement to lay the position of the non-  
brotherhood employees before the Presi-  
dent.

No engagement was made, however,  
as the President is having the entire  
matter in the hands of the Federal  
conciliators at this stage.

Frazier, an employee of the Nash-  
ville, Chattanooga and St. Louis, re-  
presented nonbrotherhood men of that  
road, who oppose a strike on the ground  
that the brotherhoods represent only  
29 per cent of all railroad employees.  
President Wilson decided to-night to  
give up a week-end vacation and he  
planned to take on the Mayflower leav-  
ing, White House officials said, he was  
anxious to keep in close touch with  
the negotiations in New York for averting  
a general railroad strike.

TURKEY REFUSES

Will Not Grant Request of United  
States for Relief Work  
in Syria.

WASHINGTON, August 11.—Turkey  
has refused to grant the request of the  
United States that a neutral committee  
be permitted to undertake relief work  
in Syria, where thousands of native  
Christians are reported to be starving.  
Charles Miller, at Constantinople, in a  
cablegram received at the State De-  
partment to-day, said the Turkish Gov-  
ernment had informed him relief opera-  
tions in Syria were considered unneces-  
sary because crops there were better  
than anywhere else in the empire. He  
added that although he was told the de-  
cision was final, he had not dropped the  
subject, but would continue to press  
for favorable action.

CORRESPONDENTS PROTEST

They Object to Their Dispatches From  
Germany Being Censored by  
British Officials.

LONDON, August 11.—The protest of  
American newspaper correspondents in  
Germany against censorship of their  
dispatches by British officials, for-  
warded from Washington by the State  
Department, was presented to the For-  
eign Office to-day by the American em-  
bassy. Discussing the question, Lord  
Robert Cecil, War Trade Minister, said  
that no decision had been reached.  
However, he expressed the opinion that  
such censorship of messages in transit  
was more necessary than the local cen-  
sorship.

## Renowned Surgeon Dies Suddenly

Dr. John B. Murphy Was  
Known Throughout World  
Had Been Knighted by Pope.

MACKINAC ISLAND, MICH., August  
11.—Dr. John B. Murphy, of Chicago,  
one of the world's most renowned sur-  
geons, died to-day suddenly at a hotel  
here while on a summer outing. Dr.  
Murphy had been in poor health for  
several months, and some had ascribed  
his condition to the poisoned soup par-  
taken of at the banquet given to Arch-  
bishop Mundelein in Chicago.

The surgeon, who recently was  
knighted by Pope Benedict for his re-  
searches in surgery, was only fifty-  
eight years old. His pioneer surgery  
in cases of appendicitis, later in the  
treatment of other intestinal disor-  
ders, and more recently in the serum  
neutralization of rheumatic and other  
joint troubles, had made him known  
all over the world.

President of the American Medical  
Association in 1913, elected the same  
year to be president of the Clinical  
Congress of Surgeons of America, Dr.  
Murphy had received the most distin-  
guished honors that could be ac-  
corded a surgeon in this country. His  
operating clinic at the Mercy Hospital  
in Chicago was a Mecca for surgeons  
all over the world.

Dr. Murphy reached prominence in  
every branch of surgery, but he may  
be called the founder of the present  
system of intestinal surgery. It was  
the "Murphy button"—a metal capsule  
for uniting severed intestines—that in  
the early nineties brought its inventor  
into prominence.

FORTY KILLED; MANY INJURED

Greek Steamer, With Cargo of Oil  
and 1,200 Passengers,  
Burns at Sea.

ATHENS, August 11 (via Paris).—  
The Greek steamer Eletheria, bound  
for Saloniki to Volo, with a cargo of  
oil owned by an American company,  
and 1,200 passengers, principally dis-  
banded troops, caught fire to-day off  
the island of Skiatho. Forty persons  
were killed and many were injured.  
The captain of the Eletheria succeeded  
finally in beaching his vessel.

Sunk by Infernal Machine.

KRISTIANSDAL, NORWAY, August  
11 (via London).—The Norwegian  
steamship Ragnarok, 225 feet long,  
bound for Gothenburg for Rouen, has  
been sunk in the North Sea as the result  
of an explosion. Her crew was saved.  
The captain expressed the belief his  
machine had been destroyed by an infernal  
machine which had been placed in the  
hold.

Destroyed by Flames.

MARSEILLES, August 11.—The  
French steamer Tibor, of 2,717 tons,  
with a cargo of inflammables, caught  
fire on August 5 and sank. The Tibor  
left New York on July 2 for Marseilles,  
and was last reported as passing  
Gibraltar on July 15.

French Vessels Sunk.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—Lloyd's shipping  
agency announces that the French sail-  
ing vessel Annette Marie, 117 tons, and  
the French steamer Henri Eltona, 822  
tons, have been sunk.

WILSON MAY TAKE STUMP

President, It Is Said, Is Considering  
Making Transcontinental Cam-  
paign Trip.

WASHINGTON, August 11.—Presi-  
dent Wilson is considering a trans-  
continental campaign trip. Congress-  
men called at the White House to-  
day called the impression that he vir-  
tually had decided on such a step, but  
officials said later that his plans for  
the campaign still were uncertain, and  
depended largely upon Congress.

Invitations for the President to  
speak in all parts of the country are  
being placed on file in case Mr. Wilson  
decides to make one or more long cam-  
paign trips. Some of his advisers are  
urging him strongly to cross the conti-  
nent, but others believe he should  
spend most of the time during the cam-  
paign at his summer home at Shadow  
Lawn, N. J., receiving delegations, and  
at the same time keeping in close  
touch with the government depart-  
ments in Washington.

Democratic leaders insisted to-day  
that Mr. Wilson would make no ex-  
tended trips from Washington until  
after Congress adjourned.

The President to-day completed his  
speech accepting the Democratic nomi-  
nation. It will be shorter than that  
delivered by Mr. Hughes, and, in addi-  
tion to replying to the criticisms of  
the Republican nominee, will review in  
detail the legislative achievements of  
the administration.

MORE DATA FOR AUSTRIA

Washington Is Preparing to Forward  
New Chapter in Petro-  
lium Case.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 11.—  
The State Department has assembled  
for transmission to the Austrian For-  
eign Office additional data regarding  
the Austrian submarine attack on the  
American tanker Petrolite, supporting  
the charge of the Petrolite's captain  
that the attack was made in violation  
of international law. The United  
States already has demanded an ap-  
ology, punishment of the submarine  
commander and reparation.

The new representations are ex-  
pected to go forward next week.

POWDER MAGAZINE LETS GO

Twenty Persons Are Killed and 150  
Injured in Roumanian  
Plant.

LONDON, August 11.—Twenty per-  
sons were killed and 150 injured by the  
accidental explosion of a military  
powder magazine at Dudest, near  
Bukharest, says a Reuter dispatch  
from the Roumanian capital. The ma-  
terial damage was small, and work at  
the powder plant continues.

## BRYAN STRIKES BACK AT HUGHES

Tells How Republican Candidate  
Has Paid His Political  
Debts.

STILL HE'S NOT ASHAMED

Now He Is in League With Rail-  
roads and Country's Trust  
Magnates.

KANSAS CITY, August 11.—William J.  
Bryan replied here to-day to criticism  
of his attitude toward civil service,  
made by Charles E. Hughes, the Republi-  
can presidential nominee. In a state-  
ment in which he said he had "en-  
forced the civil service law to the let-  
ter," Mr. Bryan challenged the Republi-  
can nominee to state whether he  
had given appointments to "deserv-  
ing Republicans" while Governor of  
New York.

The statement was made in answer  
to recent speeches of Mr. Hughes which  
quoted a letter Mr. Bryan had written  
to Receiver of Customs Vick at Santo  
Domingo inquiring as to what posi-  
tions could be obtained "without dis-  
serving Democrats." Mr. Bryan ad-  
mitted the letter as it had been quoted.  
"I am not ashamed of it," the state-  
ment read. "The letter was written to  
an appointive officer whose office was  
not under the civil service, and the in-  
quiry was made in regard to office  
which were not under the civil service."

THESE THINGS NOT  
SHAMEFUL TO HUGHES

"When he was a candidate for Gov-  
ernor Mr. Hughes inquired of the support  
of the railroads of New York, and he  
generously repaid the debt by vetoing  
the 2-cent passenger rate bill. He did  
not describe that as shameful. When  
a candidate for Governor, he received  
the support of the New York  
taxpayers, the owners of swollen for-  
tunes, as he paid his debt by send-  
ing a message to the Legislature peti-  
tioning against the income tax amend-  
ment to the Federal Constitution. He  
does not describe that as shameful.

"He is now being supported by the  
railroads of the United States, and he  
expects to pay them back by aiding  
them to escape State legislation and  
find a haven of security in exclusive  
Federal control over the railroads. He  
is being supported by the shipping  
trust, and expects to pay them back  
by helping them to prevent government  
competition. He is supported by the  
trust magnates, and expects to pay  
them back by shielding them from pun-  
ishment for the extortion which they  
desire to practice. He is supported by  
Wall Street, and expects to pay them  
back by shedding American blood and  
squandering money raised by taxpayers  
in order to guarantee profits on specu-  
lative investments."

HUGHES ADOPTS SLOGAN  
OF PITILESS PUBLICITY

BILLINGS, MONT., August 11.—  
Charles E. Hughes, addressing a  
Chautauque audience in a big tent on  
the village square here to-night, pre-  
sented his advocacy of a protective  
tariff with the declaration that if he  
should be elected President, nothing  
would be "pulled off" for private ben-  
efit at the public expense if he could  
prevent it. Mr. Hughes adopted a  
Democratic slogan, also of the 1912  
campaign, "Pitiless Publicity."

"I desire in all that we do in this  
campaign," Mr. Hughes said, "to have  
what was called four years ago 'pit-  
iless publicity.' I want pitiless pub-  
licity with respect to the 'pork barrel'  
and with respect to the sectionalism  
and extravagance and wastefulness of  
this administration. Let us see that  
we have America first in the hearts  
of every American of whatever race  
or creed, and also America equal to  
her task—America efficient."

Mr. Hughes also assailed the admin-  
istration for having changed its tariff  
views since 1912, and repeated his  
declaration in favor of a protective  
tariff whose enactment and enforce-  
ment should be left to the Republican  
party.

The nominee spent the entire day  
en route to Billings from Fargo, N. D.  
Ten-minute stops and brief addresses  
were made at several towns on the  
way, and at Miles City, Mont., where  
there was a forty-minute stop. Mr.  
Hughes left the train and delivered  
an address in the public square. A  
squad of cow-punchers and cowgirls  
escorted him from the station to the  
square.

Mr. Hughes left here late to-night  
for Helena, where he will deliver an  
address to-morrow at noon.

EYE ON FLOUR SITUATION

There May Be Federal Investigation of  
Proposed Increase in  
Price.

WASHINGTON, August 11.—Whether  
there shall be a Federal investigation  
of the high cost of flour and prospe-  
ctive increases in bread prices depend  
largely upon the report of commis-  
sioner Hurley, now in Chicago making  
informal inquiries for the Federal  
Trade Commission.

Mr. Hurley went to Chicago particu-  
larly to seek definite information at  
the headquarters of the National  
Bakers' Association concerning state-  
ments during the association's conven-  
tion at Salt Lake City that the price  
of flour exports were received by mail  
to-day by Vice-President Marshall and  
Speaker Clark. They will be presented  
to both houses later, but there is no  
prospect of action on them. The con-  
stitutionality of export embargoes long  
has been a mooted question.

## German Casualties Now Total 3,135,177

LONDON, August 11.—German  
casualties during July, according to a  
table compiled here from German  
casualty lists, totaled 122,540, bring-  
ing the grand total since the com-  
mencement of the war, taken from  
the same source, to 3,135,177.

Men killed or who died of wounds  
during July numbered 21,950; those  
who died of sickness, 2,022; missing,  
15,344; severely wounded, 1,807;  
wounded, 5,654; slightly wounded,  
50,457.

According to these lists, since the  
commencement of the war the men  
killed or who have died of their  
wounds total 735,860; died of sick-  
ness, 18,534; prisoners, 157,975; mis-  
sing, 10,022; severely wounded, 425,  
175; wounded, 408,085; slightly  
wounded, 1,152,158; wounded re-  
turning with their units, 814,742.  
The figures do not include naval  
casualties or losses to the colonial  
forces.

## APPROVES PLAN TO RAISE SURTAX ON BIG INCOMES

Democratic Senate Caucus Favors  
Increase From 10 to 13  
Per Cent.

MANY URGE HIGHER RATE

Finance Committee Adopts Amend-  
ment Advancing Salaries of Mem-  
bers of Proposed Tariff Board  
From \$5,000 to \$10,000 Annually.

WASHINGTON, August 11.—The  
Democratic Senate caucus to-night ap-  
proved a committee amendment to the  
revenue bill, which would increase the  
surtax on incomes in excess of \$2,000,  
from 10 per cent to 13 per cent.  
Withdrawal by the committee of an  
amendment to reduce the income ex-  
emptions to \$3,000 and \$2,000, respec-  
tively, for married and single persons,  
prevented a threatened caucus revolt  
on that issue, but there was a persist-  
ent fight by several Senators to in-  
crease surtaxes on large incomes.

Amendments to run the surtax as  
high as 15, 20, and even 25 per cent on  
incomes in excess of \$2,000, were ad-  
vocated in place of the 13 per cent rate  
proposal, which finally prevailed.  
Among Senators who urged the higher  
rates were Reed, of Missouri; Myers, of  
Montana, and Pittman, of Nevada.

The caucus approved the provision  
making the normal income tax 2 per  
cent instead of the present 1 per cent,  
and adopted an amendment providing  
that no income assessment should ap-  
ply to dividends accruing before March  
1, 1911, the date the income tax consti-  
tutional amendment became effective.

INHERITANCE TAX  
INCREASES NOT TAKEN UP

The caucus did not reach to-night the  
inheritance tax increases, or the amend-  
ment substituting net profit taxes on  
manufacturers of munitions. It will  
meet again to-morrow afternoon.

The Senate Finance Committee late  
to-day agreed upon a proposal strik-