

Gag Rule Is Aimed at Clerks, Spoils System Is Feared

HOUSE SHUTS OFF LAST CHANCE OF CLERKS' FRIENDS

No Chance to Kill Provisions Hostile to Classified Service.

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ADOPTION OF BILL MEANS THE END OF CIVIL SERVICE

Would Destroy Thirty Years' Work, Says Former Senator Dick.

PROPOSITION IS BRUTAL

By CHARLES DICK, Democratic Candidate for Senator. Whatever the purpose of the proposed legislation relating to government employees in the classified service in the District contained in the pending legislative, executive and judicial bill now under consideration in the House, the effect of it, if passed, will be to destroy the civil service system as now developed after thirty years of legislative, executive orders and administration.

GRADUATED BOTTLE CASE IS SETTLED

Decision Means Liquor Bought Before Closing Hour Can Be Consumed at Any Time.

New York, May 4.—The legal status of the graduated bottle as a dodge of the excise tax on the Great White Way has been established.

OLYMPIC'S CREW FINED

Fifty-three Charged with Mutiny Get Light Sentence.

Portsmouth, England, May 4.—Charged with mutiny because they refused to obey the lawful orders of their captain, fifty-three members of the crew of the White Star liner Olympic were arraigned in court here today.

LIFELESS HANDS CLUTCHED PISTOLS

Tombstoneville, Ky., May 4.—Propagated against the walls of a shack on Kettle Creek their lifeless hands still clutching their revolvers and the last look of defiance fixed on their faces, the bodies of Albert Stephens and William Mayberry were found today by rangers who had traced the death without any one hearing the shot.

GAMBLERS ARRESTED

Philadelphia, May 4.—Twenty-five grand-stand operators of the game table afternoon between the New York and Philadelphia Americans were arrested at the Park, charged with gambling.

KENTUCKY FEUD STARTED ANEW

Ed Callahan, of Breathitt County, Shot from Ambush by Assassin.

WAS ALLY OF HARGIS

Lexington, Ky., May 4.—Ed Callahan, the latest of the famous feudists of Breathitt County, was shot and probably fatally wounded, while sunning himself on the steps of his store at Crockettville today. He is being rushed to Lexington for medical treatment.

BALTIC OPERATOR REFUSES TO TALK

Tells Senate Titanic Committee He Would Be Liable to Fine if He Did.

New York, May 4.—There were five vitally important developments in the Titanic investigation today, four of which occupied the attention of Chairman William Alden Smith, of the United States Senatorial Committee, from early morning until late at night.

EXPLOSION INJURES THREE AT BLAZE

Families Flee Homes When Buildings Shake—Two Firemen Seriously Burned.

New York, May 4.—Three men were injured in an explosion during a fire in the four-story apartment at 702 Eighth Avenue today. Two of the victims were Capt. Coleman and Fireman Klinehamer of Truck 24, who were on the third floor when the explosion occurred, and were badly burned.

CONVICTED FOR POISONING

Five Sentenced in Berlin Lodging-house Episode.

Berlin, May 4.—Five persons involved in the poisoning of eighty-nine persons of the municipal lodging house last January with wood alcohol were found guilty today. Julius Schramm, a chemist, who was charged with mixing wood alcohol and spirits, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment and fined \$1,000.

IMPARTIAL CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

Indiana, May 4.—The condition of Stokes Jackson, a Representative in the National House of Representatives, who is ill at his home in Greensfield, Ind., took a turn for the worse today, and fears are expressed that he cannot recover. A telephone message from the Jackson home at Greensfield stated that the sick man was unconscious.

FLOODS GROWING WORSE; ARMY AND NAVY WITHDRAWN

Lack of Funds Is Reason for Military Authorities Giving Up Work.

THE DANGER IS INCREASING

Red Cross Appeals for Funds to Help Stricken People—More Breaks Expected.

New Orleans, La., May 4.—With New Orleans itself threatened with an overflow of the Mississippi levees that will flood part of the downtown section, with the dikes at Baton Rouge in danger of going out and causing enormous damage, and with the water rising hour by hour, Louisiana, today, faces the most serious flood situation it has ever known.

MIDSHIPMAN DIES OF BLOOD POISON

Slight Cut Received in Shaving Proved Fatal to Julian B. Bishop.

Special to The Washington Herald. Annapolis, Md., May 4.—As the direct result of a slight cut on his cheek gotten while he was being shaved and from which blood poisoning of a virulent type developed, Midshipman Julian B. Bishop, of the first class at the Naval Academy, died at the Naval Hospital here today.

GUGGENHEIM'S WILL FILED FOR PROBATE

New York, May 4.—The will of Benjamin Guggenheim, who lost his life in the Titanic disaster, was offered for probate today in the Surrogate's office.

WEST POINT CADETS DISMISSED

Two Men Punished for Being Off Reservation in Civilian Dress.

Newburgh, N. Y., May 4.—Charles Carter, Pittsburgh, Pa., and Frederick Hart Van Horn, of Canton, West Point cadets, have been dismissed from the United States Military Academy by Gen. Barry, the superintendent, because they were charged with being off the reservation in civilian clothing.

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SPIRIT VOTE FOR CLARK

Yonkers, N.Y., May 4.—The wife of Dr. J. W. Clark, who is a spiritualist, says that her late husband has prophesied to her that Chas. Clark will be the next President of the United States.

BALL PLAYER, HIT BY PITCHED BALL, DIES IN HOSPITAL

George S. Hiett, Well-known Amateur, Struck Out by Grim Reaper.

REVIVED BEFORE END

With two runs needed by his team in the sixth inning, and two men on base eager to dash across the home plate, George S. Hiett, twenty-seven years old, better known as "Sam" Hiett, went to the bat in the fifth inning yesterday afternoon with hopes of getting the hit for which scores of spectators were rooting, and was struck in the head by the first ball pitched, receiving injuries from which he died a few hours later, the first victim of baseball in Washington for the season of 1912.

REBEL ENVOY REACHES CAPITAL

New Ambassador to Present Credentials to President Taft Soon.

REBEL DELEGATE HERE

The newly appointed Ambassador from Mexico, Manuel Calero, arrived in Washington yesterday from Chicago accompanied by his wife. He had been in the United States several days, but made his first public appearance here yesterday in New York and Chicago before coming to Washington. His arrival put an end to reports that the diplomatic mission would not come to Washington because of the fear that he would not be cordially received by the State Department.

REBEL ENVOY ARRIVES

L. Gutierrez de Lara reached Washington yesterday and booked himself in the interests of the Mexican revolutionists. De Lara predicted ultimate success of the revolution under Orozco's leadership. He said the rebels were having no difficulty in smuggling arms across the border. Americans in Mexico are not being molested by the revolutionists, he declared.

REBELS TO MOVE SOUTH

Chihuahua, Mexico, May 4.—The following dispatch from Gen. Orozco, commander of the rebel forces, has been received by Col. Francisco B. Pradilla, acting military chief here: "In view of the incursion of the Federal troops, the impetuosity of our troops, and the fact that we have gathered all the element needed for success, my orders that at once we commence a general movement south."

FIRE THREATENS BLOCK

Brooklyn Athletic Club Proves Stubborn Blame to Fight.

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