

SUFFRAGE VOTE NOW POSTPONED, SENATORS GONE

Absentees Disappoint Supporters of Amendment. Antis Claim 33 Votes.

Convinced that they were unable at this time to muster their full voting strength in the United States Senate, the suffragists decided yesterday afternoon not to bring up a vote on the Susan B. Anthony amendment today. In fact, the suffrage situation is "up in the air," and it is a question now when the amendment proposing universal suffrage will be offered to the Upper House of Congress. Suffrage supporters make the claim they are assured of 54 to 55 votes; "antis" insist they have 33 men definitely against the amendment. Success requires a two-thirds majority. Only a few hours before the decision was made not to press the amendment at this time, a group of Republican Senators received a letter from former President Theodore Roosevelt, "earnestly" asking them to vote for suffrage. Both sides declare the situation "unfortunate." For the first time in months all the seats in the Senate left vacant by death are filled, yet there is scarcely a day when from four to a dozen Senators have not been called away for one reason or another.

Many Suffragists at Capitol.

At this time, Watson of Indiana, Pittman of Nevada, La Follette of Wisconsin, William Alden Smith of Michigan, Johnson of South Dakota, Gore of Oklahoma, and Goff of West Virginia, all "suffrage" men, will be out of the city today. Antis, too, have absentees, for instance, Ohio James of Kentucky, who is ill in Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. There was great suffrage activity at the Capitol yesterday morning. Mrs. Abby Scott Baker, Miss Anne Martin, the Senatorial candidate from Nevada, Dudley Field Malone and Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt were only a few of the "smiff" present. Mrs. James W. Wadsworth, wife of the Senator from New York, led the antis. Telegrams were sent to absent Senators, and it was only when it was found they would not be present to-day that the decision not to bring up the vote was finally made.

CHURCH LIBERTY MEAL IS PROVING POPULAR

The liberty dinners and luncheons at the New York avenue Presbyterian Church are relieving workers' dining and lunching problems as well as filling the coffers of the women's organizations of the church. Home cooked meals are being greatly appreciated, and the only fault found with them is that the service will be for a few days only. Today and tomorrow from 12 to 2 o'clock, luncheon will again be served. The ladies who are the managers in chief are Mrs. Harvey S. Irvin, Mrs. Wallace Radcliffe, Mrs. Harry McVade and Miss Elizabeth Schaeff.

American Woman Writer Adopted Japanese Child

New Haven, Conn., May 9.—The will of Miss Alice Mabel Bacon, daughter of the late Dr. Leonard Woolsey Bacon, filed in the Probate Court, revealed the fact that Miss Bacon, who was a writer on Japan and the Japanese people, had adopted a Japanese girl as a daughter several years ago. A share of her estate is bequeathed to this adopted daughter, Mrs. Matsu Watanabe Kairiyama, and to Miss Maki Hitotsumipamagi, her friend.

WILLS OF FOUR LOCAL DECEDENTS ARE FILED

F. K. Gilbert Leaves Cash Bequests, Residue to His Son Archibald.

Four wills of local decedents were filed yesterday with Registrar of Wills Tanner. Grove Karl Gilbert, who died here May 1 last, left several cash bequests for considerable amounts. To his son, Ray Gilbert, he gave \$1,000; a like amount to Emma Dean Powell, who is the widow of John W. Powell. "In loving remembrance of her great kindness to me in time of need," while Anna Botsford Comstock of Ithaca, N. Y., is left another \$1,000 without restriction, "but intended for purposes which she fully understands." The residuum of the estate is left to Archibald Marvine Gilbert, a son of the decedent residing at Boise, Idaho, and Vernon Bailey, of this city. Emma Gilbert Loomis, a sister, is left all the family paintings. William Evans Harley, formerly of North Coventry, Pa., who died in Washington April 20, leaves \$12,000 to his wife, and the residue of his estate to his wife and daughter, Mrs. Bessie Harley Milans, share and share alike. Frederick Schult, who died at the Soldiers' Home April 30, left most of his property to a sister in Germany, Mrs. Stelzer, sr., and wife of this city, receive the personal property, except \$100 each to Lorenz Stelzer, Jr., and his sister Paulina. Everything was left to her mother, Frances E. Meeks, by Fanule A. Meeks, who died here February 24.

NEGRO CRANE WORKER VICTIM OF ACCIDENT

While operating a revolving locomotive crane at the yards of the J. Maury Dove coal company, Twenty-ninth and G streets northwest yesterday, Lorenzo Smith, a negro, aged 50, whose home is at Knox Station, Va., was killed when the apparatus broke, pinned him against a nearby wall and crushed him in his chest. Smith expired while on his way to the Emergency hospital in an ambulance. His body was sent to the morgue where an inquest will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

NEW HAMPSHIRE FIRE GRAVE.

Greenville, N. H., May 9.—A forest fire which started here Tuesday was still spreading today. Seven hundred acres on which were a number of farm buildings, a large quantity of cut lumber and much standing timber, already has been burned over. Business practically is suspended while men and boys joined firemen in fighting the flames.

BIG STORE ADS PROMISED FOR RED CROSS AID

Publicity Co-operation Will Be Given in Drive by Merchants.

All the department stores in the city have agreed to co-operate in the Red Cross drive for funds, which begins the week of May 20, by contributing a substantial part of their advertising space to the appeal for contributions to the Red Cross work. Representatives of the department stores have formed a press committee, of which Charles J. Columbus is chairman, and at a meeting yesterday decided to begin their publicity campaign Sunday. In addition to contributing a part of their own advertising space in local newspapers, the stores have authorized the press committee to prepare a supply of advertising copy and cuts, which will be placed without charge in the hands of firms and individuals, who will bear the cost of their insertion in the papers. The committee announced yesterday that application for this copy should be made to the vice chairman of the committee, Donn V. Smythe, care S. Kann Sons & Co., telephone Main 7300. The committee also stated its desire to have every advertiser who makes use of the local papers take advantage of its offer, even though the advertiser is inserting as little as a want ad. "Give a line to the Red Cross" is the slogan of the committee. The advertising copy prepared by the press committee may also be obtained in the advertising departments of the city papers, which the committee announces are contributing greatly to the work of the publicity campaign.

GASOLINE EQUIVALENT CHEAP, SAYS MAKER

Product Will Be Tested by U. S. Government.

Government tests will be made within a few days at Pittsburgh laboratories of a new substitute for gasoline, which the inventor, Dr. Louis Clement, says can be manufactured for eight cents a gallon. A quantity of the new combustible was prepared at the laboratories of the Department of the Interior here yesterday and sent to the government's Pennsylvania experimental station. Many inventors in recent months have claimed that they had hit upon a gasoline substitute. None of them have been able to prove their claims, and government experts have become skeptical that a powerful explosive gas can be made more cheaply than the gasoline refined from oil. Dr. Clement expresses great faith in his discovery and will be in Pittsburgh when the tests are made. It is understood that the materials entering into the preparation

Business High School Helps Out War Funds

One-half of the proceeds of Business High School's annual excursion to Marshall Hall to be held June 7 will be donated to the relief of members of the alumni now fighting "over there." This is not the first time Business has shown its willingness to help win the war. Christmas packages are sent to former students in the service and each time the "Balance Sheet," their monthly school magazine, is issued, the soldiers and sailors receive a goodly portion of the proceeds, through contributions to the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A.

CASHIER ARRESTED AFTER USING CAMERA

Eric Schuman's Innocence Declared by Congressmen.

A German name and a camera are dangerous things for a stranger to carry around New York. Eric Schuman and William Rhodes have had this fact forcibly impressed upon them. Schuman had the name and Rhodes supplied the camera. Two Representatives and other personages are now busy trying to convince the Federal authorities that they are not enemy spies. Both young men are natives of Rolla, Mo. Rhodes has been employed in the office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General for several months. Schuman came to Washington about a month ago in the hope of getting a position in the army which would enable him to see immediate service in France. He was unable to connect with the job. Schuman had been a teller in the First National Bank at Rolla. When he found he couldn't go to France he obtained a position in a Washington bank. Last week he received a telegram informing him that he had been elected cashier of his former bank at Rolla. Having never seen Ray Broadway, he induced his friend Rhodes to join him for a trip to New York on his way back to Missouri. He was arrested when using the camera near a shipyard.

BILL WOULD SIMPLIFY TAX SALES PROCEDURE

In order to do away with the mass of red tape attending a sale or redemption of property that has been seized in the District for its taxes, Senator Smith, of Maryland, introduced in the Senate yesterday a bill permitting the owner of such property to make application for its redemption up to the time for the courts to decree its sale. The method in vogue now is slow. The owner of property seized to be sold to pay taxes now has practically no appeal after the property goes under the hammer. To prevent persons from deferring attempts to redeem their property the bill provides that the courts may set aside their regular business and decree a sale at once. The entire bill is intended to do away with long delays and red tape.

BREAD PRICE PROBE INVESTIGATOR NAMED

Frank J. Scott Will Help Board to Reach Decision.

Frank J. Scott was chosen official investigator at a meeting yesterday afternoon of the committee selected to decide whether or not bakers of the District shall raise their prices. Clarence J. Wilson, District food administrator, Commissioner Louis W. Brownlow, Frank J. Scott, Federal Trade Commission, and J. W. Sullivan, Council of National Defense, comprise the personnel of the committee, which, after making a thorough investigation, will report to the Federal Trade Commission. The bakers will not be permitted to increase their prices until after the investigation has been completed. Bakers declare the rate increase is essential to their business, while House says the present price is sufficient.

ARTISTS ASKED TO WORK FOR FOURTH LOAN

Posters Are Registered by McAdoo to Prepare for Fall Drive.

The Fourth Liberty Loan will not be launched until the fall, possibly the middle of October, and probably will have the same minimum amount of \$2,000,000,000 as set for the third drive. The success of the third loan, with figures still coming in showing excess over quotas in all parts of the country, assures a similar oversubscription of the Fourth Loan because it shows that the people have learned how to buy government bonds and that the government does not have to depend upon the great financial institutions for the money it may need for war purposes. Although the fourth loan issue is at least five months distant, the Treasury Department has begun to blaze the way for its progress. The first step is an appeal to the artists and photographers for designs for posters, window cards, automobile windshield stickers and novelty features in advertising. The artists are allowed free reign for imagination in the design of the pictures except for the fact that the subjects they are to advertise does not change—the despotism of the German military autocracy, and that American dollars as well as American soldiers must fight to wipe the menace of its spread from the face of the earth. As in other loans, posters will be designed for an appeal to the farmer, the laborer, Americans of foreign birth and women and children. These appeals have not been made in vain, especially in the third loan, and it is now predicted that the fourth will boast even more individual subscribers than the third, which was a record-breaker in every sense.



Here Are the Boys Who Wear the Straws and Sell Them. You Will All Look Good

"Over the Top"

—If You Wear Our Straws

Thousands of Them to Suit Every Head, Every Face, and Every Pocket

SENNITS AND SPLITS All the New Shapes, \$2.00 to \$4.00	Panamas, Bangkoks and Leghorns New Weaves and Up-to-the-minute Styles, \$5.00 to \$7.50
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602 and 604 Ninth Street N. W.

...of the American Revolution military employ, who pass away way, the Maker has to judge them say, but why take vengeance on over here? Poor mortals, they may finally. We've enough to do with alien enemies, in their country's be opposed to Prussianism—any-out assuming any of His tasks.

WRIGLEYS

"Heavy, heavy hangs over your head."

"O, I know what it is, daddy! You held it too close and I smell it—it's WRIGLEY'S!"

"Righto, sonny—give your appetite and digestion a treat, while you tickle your sweet tooth."

After Every Meal
The Flavor Lasts!

WRIGLEYS SPEARMINT
WRIGLEYS DOUBLEMINT
WRIGLEYS JUICY FRUIT



Madam—Read This Ad Aloud To Your Husband

We've tried to picture two extremes in every-day life—one a picture of drudgery, heat and hard work, the other a picture of cool comfort. This is not exaggerated. The average man during the hot months of summer while in his office works under the most advantageous conditions—no heat or discomfort for him. Cool breezes from his electric fan afford the maximum of comfort. On the other hand, his wife has to prepare three square meals a day in a heated kitchen over a coal-burning range, with its attendant dirt and work, to say nothing of the expense.

Mr. Man, suppose you did the cooking, would you put up with such unsatisfactory methods? No, not for an instant! Resolve NOW that you will modernize your home—that you will provide the same "efficiency implements" for the wife that you have installed in your office.

Install an Up-to-Date Gas Range

—have better meals, have them on time at less expense MINUS ALL DISCOMFORT. The modern Cabinet Gas Range is the most popular and accepted type of range—we show two of the wide variety of styles.

To purchase one does not mean that a large outlay of cash is necessary, as we require only a small deposit at time of selection and the future payments may be spread over an entire year, when you pay your gas bills.

Visit Our Showrooms NOW While the Thought Is in Mind. All Sizes and Styles to Fill All Requirements.

Washington Gas Light Co.

Howard S. Reeside
President.

Sly Shots at the Solons.

By THE OBSERVER.

Hurrah! We are to have a passage at arms between T. R. and P. M. G. Burleson. No betting allowed, of course, but we can have our opinions as to what happens.

The New York World apparently failed again in dictating the course of the nation, for the Senate managers went ahead and chose Senator Hitchcock for the Foreign Relations chairmanship.

Incidentally, the World committed the monumental blunder of conceding Hughes' election after it was found that New York had gone for him.

It is gratifying to get good news about our men in Europe, particularly the numbers, but we will not rest content until we know there is not a come-back.

Senators Hoke Smith and P. C. Knox will increase the dignity and luster of the Military Committee, and will not detract from the store of loyalty which that body possesses.

Mr. Bryan used the word "skunk" in connection with Anti-Saloon League Superintendent Anderson's charge that W. J. is a menace to the prohibition cause in New York. He must have been riled up, don't you think?

Good morning, will suffrage be up or down by night—or can you tell from where you sit? The women of the cause are working hard—a bit harder, we hear, than those who oppose it.

The farmers of the nation are loyal, and they're working hard for victory in the Great Cause. They ask for cooperation, not concessions, and some members of Congress say they're entitled to what they ask for.

The decision not to allow our men in France to vote in the fall election will bar thousands and thousands of voters, but we hope they'll back by next election. They'll express themselves, then.

If this country had no Congress how could the people express themselves? Direct participation in government is impossible, so we have to it is the representative system, which seems to be the only available, safe system to which we can subscribe.

And as long as the people elect representatives to Congress those representatives will, on the whole, do the things the people approve. Else these representatives would not return often.

Arthur Mullen, long and lank Democratic National Committeeman from a Western State, was seen on the streets yesterday. He may possibly call on Vance McCormick before the week is over, we are told.

How would you like to have been in the strangers' gallery in the house of commons yesterday? Would you have thought of home and the House of Representatives?

Senator Wadsworth performed his duty as a Senator and sent up to the Vice President's desk copies of pro-suffrage resolutions from his State. Bravo!

We think some ear should be given to the Congress as to what is going on in the world.