

ASKS UNCLE SAM TO PAY THE DEBT

Congressman Hamilton Introduces Resolution in the House to That Effect.

INTRODUCES JAMES G. BLAINE

Asks the Case is Like That of Paying Mexico for Texas.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—Representative John M. Hamilton, of the Fourth West Virginia district, today introduced in the House a resolution declaring it the duty of the House of Representatives that the federal government should assume and pay any part of the debt of the state of Virginia at the time of the separation of the state of West Virginia, for which it is to be decided by the Supreme Court of the United States that the state of Virginia is liable.

Mr. Hamilton's resolution covers several typewritten pages and goes extensively into the reasons why he thinks the federal government should assume the liability. He says that the state of West Virginia was created without the actual action of Virginia and that it was not simply a war measure and that the sanction and assistance of the federal government in order to the entire length of the Ohio river and the entire Allegheny mountain range from Pennsylvania to Georgia might be placed in contemplation of friends of the union. He says the creation of the state to the taking of foreign territory in time of war and asserts that there is as much reason for the federal government to pay West Virginia's part of a debt of Virginia as there was to pay Mexico for the acquisition of Texas in the war with Mexico or to pay Spain for the Philippines. He notes the opinion of the late James Blaine to the same effect and says his arguments largely upon the arguments of Mr. Blaine. The resolution did not come up for immediate consideration.

MORE MONEY

Wanted by Congressman Littlepage for the Hinton Federal Building.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Representative Littlepage has introduced a bill increasing the limit of cost of the proposed new federal building at Hinton from \$50,000 to \$150,000. He expects to follow his bill up with information for the committee on public buildings and grounds, showing the size and business of the city, its needs for such a building and the uselessness of erecting a building so small for the purpose which it is intended, especially in a rapidly growing city. Mr. Littlepage is also making an effort to have a new rural mail station established out of Hinton. He has made the application for the establishment of the route and the matter is under consideration by the department.

REPORT

That Postoffice Was to Be Moved to Another Site Proves Untrue.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—A report that the postoffice at New Marlinton was to be removed to new quarters brought a protest to Senator Watson from citizens of that place who were opposed to any change from the present location. Investigation by Senator Watson brought out the information that a removal of the office has not been ordered, that no request has been received by the postoffice department and that the present quarters are under lease till the first of January, 1912.

NEW SULTAN.

TANGHER, Morocco, April 25.—Mula El Zin, brother of Sultan Mula Hafid, was today proclaimed sultan by the rebel Zammours who captured Mequines.

FLAMES EAT BIG LUMBER PLANT HERE

Loss to the Company is \$65,000 Gross but the Insurance is \$40,000.

The plant and lumber yards of the Clarksburg Lumber and Planing Mill Company were destroyed by fire which broke out shortly after 2 o'clock Tuesday morning. The total loss is estimated at \$65,000, \$25,000 of which was contained in the lumber and stock of goods. Insurance was carried to the amount of \$40,000.

The fire started at about 2 o'clock. J. D. Warner, residing on the corner of Main and Ferry streets, opposite Osborn's foundry, was caring for his baby, which was ill, and saw a lumber pile at the east corner of the mill breaking out into a blaze. He turned in an alarm, but by the time the fire department could reach the scene the east side of the planing mill was in flames.

A Gigantic Furnace. The fire spread rapidly and soon the lumber yard and the whole mill was a gigantic furnace. The trolley wire, telephone and electric wires melted from the heat, and trees and poles across the street caught fire, several trees as far away as the top of the Sommers hill opposite being charred.

The dwelling closest the fire was that of Luther Johnson, an employee of the mill, on the western corner of the planing mill grounds, and the goods were carried out of the house and a stream of water kept playing on it during the hottest of the fire. The sides of the house were scorched, but by hard work the dwelling was saved.

The most difficult task was to keep the fire from spreading from the piles of lumber in the lumber yard east to the Osborn foundry. A small wooden shed separated these from the foundry. By concentrating their efforts on this region of the fire, the firemen managed to get the blaze under control and the foundry escaped damage.

Several citizens were awakened at about the time the alarm was sent in and were on the scene when the department arrived. Within a short time a large crowd had collected. The fire spread with remarkable swiftness and reached its climax in an incredibly short time. So much heat was generated that it was impossible to pass on the opposite side of the street from the mill.

Fire Soon Over. By 8 o'clock the fire had largely subsided. (Continued on page 6.)

WEST VIRGINIA

Men Are Among the Persons Who Are Visitors in Washington.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Among the West Virginians in Washington are Blaine W. Taylor, of Elkins, who was chief clerk in the postoffice department under the late William L. Wilson, of West Virginia, when he was postmaster general, and who held over in such capacity through the McKinley administration because of being under civil service; Thomas C. Townsend, former state tax commissioner of West Virginia; M. H. King, of Elkins; S. C. Young, of Charles Town; and E. H. Crouch, of Beckley.

TO DEPORT POLE

Man Insane at Fairmont Runs Through Jail Nude—Lost Mind in Mine.

FAIRMONT, April 25.—Frank Gaysooke, the Pole who went insane in the Farmington shaft a few days ago, will be deported to his home country. Today the officials began the steps which are necessary to that move. At the county jail the Pole took off his clothing and ran screaming up and down the hallway until overpowered by the guards and placed in a straight jacket.

WALDO CONCERT.

An hour's concert was given by the Cadenza orchestra at the Waldo Monday night following the performance of the Elks minstrels.

Baron Uchida, Ambassador From Japan, Sees Only Peace Ahead



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BARON YASAYU UCHIDA, ambassador from Japan to the United States, has recently been in the public eye because of the war talk that has been heard. Every time the baron has had a chance to speak he has unhesitatingly denied the possibility of trouble between his country and Uncle Sam. He was the guest of honor recently at a banquet of the American Asiatic association in New York, at which steps were taken to arrange for definitely setting rumors of possible war at rest. Baron Uchida has had a long training as a diplomat, and he has filled the post at Washington most successfully. He was born in 1865 and was educated at the Imperial university in Tokyo. In 1887 he became an attaché of the Japanese embassy at Washington and later was transferred to London, where he was secretary of legation. He was sent from there to the same position in Peking, but was called home later to serve as vice minister of foreign affairs. He later returned to Peking as ambassador to China and was transferred to the post in Vienna in 1907. After two years there he came to Washington. His wife is the daughter of a wealthy Japanese shipowner, but she was graduated at Bryn Mawr, near Philadelphia, and she has proved popular as a hostess in Washington.

GOOD COMMITTEES FOR TWO SENATORS

From the State of West Virginia Seem Quite Likely Now.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—While no information has been given out officially as to the new committee assignments in the Senate, it has been learned, in such a manner that the authenticity of the report is not doubted, that Senator Watson's to be assigned to the committee on interstate commerce, a new member being added to that committee for the purpose of making a place for him, and that Senator Chilton is to be assigned to the committee on the judiciary, with probably a place also on the committee on the District of Columbia.

Should these assignments be made as contemplated Senator Watson would become a member of the same committee of which Senator Stephen B. Elkins was chairman for many years, while Senator Chilton would become a member of the committee on the District of Columbia, of which Senator Scott was a member during the later years of his senatorship.

Senator Martin, of Virginia, chairman of the minority caucus in the Senate, announced to the Senate yesterday that he was ready to announce the Democratic committee assignments, but as the Republican membership was not ready to announce, none of the assignments were made public. It is expected, however, that all the assignments will be announced when the Senate convenes again on Thursday.

MADERO AWAITS

Word from Federal Government as to Names of Peace Commissioners.

EL PASO, April 25.—Interest in the peace situation at General Madero's camp today centered in the hope that word might come from the Mexican government of the appointment of its commissioners for a conference at which the terms of peace will be discussed. The insurgent commander is ready to announce his appointees as soon as the government representatives are named.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, April 25.—Wheat 89 1/2, corn 51 3/4; oats 21 3/8.

ORDERS

Are Entered in a Number of Cases by the County Court.

County Court, sat Tuesday with President John B. Strother and Commissioner Lee Maxwell present.

William McGarvin qualified as administrator of Katherine Gardner with bond at \$2,000, and the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company surety. The appraisers are Rock Bell, C. C. McCarty, Thomas A. Henneghan and H. E. Strother. William McGarvin qualified as guardian of Frank Gardner with bond at \$2,000.

B. T. Harmer qualified as executor of the will of John Shreve with bond at \$4,500 and Harvey W. Harmer surety.

Mrs. Sarah McCauley qualified as administratrix of the estate of Dock McCauley, deceased, with bond at \$800 and U. G. McCauley surety.

County Assessor Ernest L. Pigott asked the court for an additional clerk in order to complete the assessment in the time required by law.

A. L. and J. W. Bartlett were permitted to execute a new bond of \$3,000 as administrators of the estate of Frank Bartlett, deceased, with John A. Lancaster surety and William E. Smith relieved.

Dell Fuller was granted billiard and pool room license.

An order was entered declaring the office of Clara Kalick as guardian vacant.

SISTER

Of Assistant Doorkeeper of the Senate is Dead at Romney.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Thomas W. Keller, assistant doorkeeper of the Senate, who has been an employee of the Senate for about twenty-five years, having been appointed by the late Senator John E. Kenna and having retained his office ever since, was called to his home at Romney, W. Va., by the death of his sister.

FIFTEEN BODIES

Are Taken Out of the Elk Garden, This State.

EIGHT OTHERS YET

Are Believed to Be Under Ground—Laing Starts an Investigation.

ELK GARDEN, April 25.—Fifteen bodies were taken out of the Elk mine of the Davis Coal and Coke Company today, victims of a disastrous explosion yesterday.

Eight other bodies are supposed to be in the mine, and rescuers are trying to recover them.

John Laing, chief of the West Virginia department of mines, today started an investigation of the cause of the accident which is unknown as yet.

The dead are John Prichard, Arthur Prichard, Tamour Runlon, John R. Wilson, James Brown, Roy Wilson, Lester Wilson, William Pugh, Hawthorne Patton, Thomas Wilson, Geet White, William Pearson, John White, William Shears, Harry Tannum, James Drensey, L. O. Dempsey, Edward Hershberger, Thomas Yost, Charles Wilson, William Herzog and William Bushy.

MILEAGE

Of Telephone Wires Used by Railroads is Increasing Rapidly.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Inasmuch as the telephone has superseded the telegraph in some parts of West Virginia for use in train dispatching, it will prove interesting to know to what extent the telephone is superseding the telegraph for this purpose in the country generally.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has just issued a bulletin in which it is shown that the mileage of telephone wires used for the transmission of train orders increased between January 1, 1911 by 15,373 miles, the total mileage for this purpose on the last named date being 41,717 while the telegraph was used on 175,211 miles.

IN CONTEMPT

Lorimer Bribery Committee of Illinois Senate Declares Three Men Are.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 25.—A Senate committee investigating the election of Senator Lorimer reported to the Senate a recommendation that Edward Tilden, George M. Benedict and William C. Cummings should be compelled to appear before the bar of the Senate and explain why they should not stand in contempt of the Senate for their refusal to obey subpoenas ordering them before the committee.

The matter was made a special order of business for tomorrow.

INCORPORATION

Of Broad Oaks is to Be Discussed at a Meeting Thursday Night.

A public meeting is to be held Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock in the Alta Vista school house for the purpose of discussing the question of incorporating Broad Oaks into a municipality. The committee in charge announces that prominent speakers will address the meeting and it extends an invitation to all voters within the boundary proposed to be incorporated to be present.

POSTPONED

Games in City Duck Pin League Now Number Three.

The games scheduled in the city duck pin league between the Bankers and Druggists, and Loar & White and Quality Shop respectively, which were to be played Monday and Tuesday nights of this week, were postponed on account of the Elks' minstrel show. These make three postponed games, the other one being that of the Lawyers and Druggists, postponed from April 17, the date of James Smith's appearance at the Goring bowling alleys.

BURNS ELUDES LAW OFFICERS

BLACKMAIL IS WHAT TETER DECLARES IT

In Talking About the Arrest of Himself and S. A. Moore in Pittsburg.

WHEELING, April 25.—That A. Panerilo, of Pittsburg, who had Hon Charles F. Teter and S. A. Moore, two prominent West Virginia bankers, coal and lumber dealers, arrested at Pittsburg Saturday charged with conspiracy to defraud, is a blackmailer, is the charge made by Mr. Teter at the McClure last evening. Mr. Teter stated that he and Mr. Moore sold the land without recommending it and that when Panerilo became dissatisfied, they offered to buy back the land at the same figures that they sold it for, but that the Pittsburg contractor refused to comply with this offer and demanded more money, and when this was refused he had the warrant issued.

While Mr. Teter and Mr. Moore were in Pittsburg, last Saturday, they were arrested on warrants sworn out by Panerilo, but were quickly released on \$1,000 bail. At Pittsburg this afternoon the case will be tried and if Panerilo continues his tactics he will probably be arrested on a warrant sworn out by the two West Virginians. Mr. Teter, in speaking of the case said:

Teter's Statement.

Some time last summer Mr. S. A. Moore, of Philippi, and myself were in Pittsburg transacting business, when a real estate agent introduced us to Panerilo, who stated that he had some Pittsburg real estate he desired to trade for West Virginia coal lands and desired a portion of the exchange in money, stating that he was pressed for funds. Before we closed the deal we asked him to come to this state to look over our property, as we did not know just what kind of property it was. We had only bought the lands a few weeks before in a trade and did not know very much about it. Mr. Moore then closed the deal after Panerilo stated that he did not desire to see the property and only wanted it for trading purposes. The tract of land is located in Randolph county and also a number of town lots in Keyser. The trade was made, we turned over the West Virginia property and a sum of money and in exchange secured his Pittsburg property.

Just a little more than a month ago Mr. Moore and myself were in Pittsburg again, and Panerilo, learning that we were in the city, came

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NERVY TRAMP

Not Satisfied with Eating a Woman's Dinner, He Robbed Her of \$15.

FAIRMONT, April 25.—Walter Karpinski, yesterday afternoon entered the home of W. R. Clayton, of New Central, while Mrs. Clayton was in the back yard, calmly ate a meal from the dining room table, then helped himself to \$15 in cash and walked out the front door just as Mrs. Clayton entered the back door. He was captured in the woods a mile away. The money was hidden under two stones in the woods. He waived a preliminary hearing and was held to the grand jury.

DAVIS FORFEITS BOND.

Dew Davis, who was recently arrested on a charge of operating a gambling resort in the Latstetter dwelling house on West Pike street, forfeited his cash bond of \$21.60 last evening in police court by failing to appear for a trial.

A. W. Martin, of Fairmont, is a city visitor.

Who Seek Him After He Arrives in Indianapolis from Toledo.

OTHERS SENT TO JAIL

Another Arrest is Made Charging Kidnapping and Conspiracy.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 25.—Walter Drew, of New York, counsel for the National Erectors' Association, W. Joseph Ford assistant district attorney of Los Angeles, and Frank Fox, a chauffeur, charged with kidnapping J. J. McNamara, secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, were arraigned this morning before Justice of the Peace Manning. They waived a preliminary examination and were bound over to the grand jury.

William J. Burns, a detective employed by the National Erectors' Association, who arrived here from Toledo this morning, was sought by constables with a warrant for his arrest on a charge of kidnapping McNamara. He could not be found.

Bond of Drew and Ford was placed at \$10,000 each, and that of Fox at \$5,000. Their attorneys, after trying to secure bail failed, and the men were taken to the county jail.

A. G. Radorf, of New York, assistant of Drew, was arrested by a constable in a room at a hotel this morning and taken before Justice of the Peace Manning. Radorf is charged with kidnapping and conspiracy to kidnap.

The Marion county grand jury today started its investigation of the records seized yesterday after a subpoena had been served on President Frank Ryan of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers to produce the books before the grand jury had been ignored.

VAUDEVILLE HOUSE

Is to Be Opened and Operated Here by John W. Duffy Next Season.

John W. Duffy will open and operate a modern opera house here next season. A building will be erected by Mrs. Lee Haymond and J. Carl Vance adjoining the R. T. Lowndes residential property on West Pike street opposite Fourth street for the purpose and Mr. Duffy obtained a five-year lease with the privilege of five additional years.

The building is to have a frontage of forty feet and it will be 115 feet deep. It is to have a twenty-foot ceiling. The construction will be absolutely fireproof.

Mr. Duffy announces that the house will be operated along modern lines and only such shows as are suitable for men, women and children.

SEVERAL NAMED

As Fourth Class Postmasters in the States of West Virginia.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Fourth class postmasters in West Virginia have been appointed as follows: Edward R. Paryor, at Avondale, Mc Dowell county, in place of W. M. Pryor, removed; George C. Smith, at Czar, Randolph county, in place of A. D. Lewis, resigned; John Green, at Hershaw, Kanawha county, in place of J. W. Meadows, resigned.

CREDITORS BUY MINE

WESTON, April 25.—The property of the Jacksonville Coal & Coke Co., located at Emmert station on the Coal and Coke railway, was sold at auction for the residue of the purchase money, bringing \$15,000. R. W. Crawford and C. C. Reger, two of the creditors, being the purchasers.