

DIRECT PRARARY AFFECTS SENATE'S HAND Solons Divided Over Plan for Advisory District Vote for United States Senator

Rejection or Concurrence in the Assembly's Changes to Decide Policy of Bill By George A. Van Smith [Special Dispatch to The Call] CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, March 15.—The fate of the direct primary bill will be decided tomorrow morning, when the assembly amendments will be taken up for concurrence or rejection by the senate.

OUTCOME PROBLEMATIC The outcome is wholly problematical. No one knows tonight whether the proponents of concurrence will be able to muster the required 21 votes, whether they will win two or three or more of the necessary majority or have two or three votes to spare. Both sides pretend to be entirely confident of success. But when they get down to the "brass tacks" of a count each side is compelled to bolster up its arguments by the inclusion of the names of two or more senators whose final attitude is at best doubtful.

FIGHT AGAINST CONCURRENCE Senators who originally favored the district vote plan, and who still prefer that plan, are leading the fight against concurrence. They insist that, regardless of their personal preferences, they are bound by the agreement entered into in the independent conference and that to vote for what they prefer would be to break faith with their democratic allies. On the other hand, men who do not favor the district plan are lined up for concurrence, fearful that the screws might be put on a few members of the lower house and the bill be virtually defeated by emasculation in a free conference.

WOLFE'S ATTITUDE REMARKABLE The most remarkable phase of the direct primary situation is the attitude of Senators Wolfe and Leavitt, who fought the bill tooth and nail as it passed the senate. When they were beaten they threw up their hands and Wolfe made every effort to expedite the transfer of the bill to the lower house. At the same time he announced that if he were beaten he would stand for the bill as it passed the senate and oppose the adoption of the amendments on which he had lost, or anything akin to them. Nor did he take kindly to the effort to line up the senate for concurrence. He was won over on the argument that concurrence and the cessation of further hostilities would be good party politics. Now he is fighting for concurrence as hard as he fought the bill two weeks ago, nor is his attitude open to criticism. If he wins he will win on a partisan basis. If he loses he will have been consistent with the position he took when he announced that he would do everything he could do to hasten the enactment of the bill.

Leavitt is in an equally fortunate position. It is only in the assembly that he is in the first instance and are now divided that stand to be hurt. Some of them must come in for popular criticism if the bill is assembled or passed as some more of the amendments draw that criticism. If the assembly is forced to recede from the district plan.

Gambles With Death To Save Brother's Life



Twins who figure in the murder of Policeman W. H. Heins.

JAMES YOUNG SAYS HE KILLED HEINS

Makes Sensational Statement on Stand During Trial of Twin for Murder

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Nicaragua, through her minister here, Senor Espinoza, protested to Secretary Knox today that the military and naval activity in progress in that country is entirely for defensive purposes; that she does not contemplate attacking her sister republics and that internal conditions are quiet.

HOPE FOR PEACE Both the secretary and the minister later expressed hope for a satisfactory adjustment of the claim and a peace solution of the whole situation.

Architects Have Narrow Escape in San Mateo SAN MATEO, March 15.—George W. Howard, the architect, and Mrs. Howard were painfully injured and their son, George Howard Jr., and Willis Polk, the San Francisco architect, had narrow escapes from being hurt in a runaway accident which happened this morning between El Cerrito park and the San Mateo station. The Howard coachman was seriously hurt, one of his legs being broken in the accident.

PERSIAN TROOPS ARE DEVASTATING VILLAGES ST. PETERSBURG, March 15.—A dispatch to the Novoe Vremya from Julfa, on the frontier between Persia and Russia, says that 1,000 Persian government horsemen and 500 infantrymen are marching on Julfa from the Persian bank of the Araxes river, devastating the villages in their path and shooting down the people. Already 10 villages, four of them inhabited by Russian subjects, have been pillaged and burned. The troops are ruthlessly killing the fleeing peasants. Many women carrying their children on their backs were made to swim the Araxes to the Russian side, but were shot down.

Fleeing Peasants, Including Russians, Are Shot Down

JACKSON APPOINTED POSTMASTER WASHINGTON, March 15.—Levin T. Jackson has been appointed postmaster at Patholes, Imperial county, California, vice Mary C. Trubo, resigned.

RIPELY ON COAST TO MEET HARRIMAN

Head of Santa Fe Waits at Santa Barbara to Learn Will of Wizard Railroad Magnates of Nation Gathering at Pasadena for Conference

[Special Dispatch to The Call] SANTA BARBARA, March 15.—President E. P. Ripley and nine other high officials of the Santa Fe railroad met at the Potter hotel this evening for conference as to the policy of the Santa Fe railroad under the domination of Harriman, who is to be here late this week for a conference with President Ripley on this point.

Assembling for Conference PASADENA, March 15.—Notwithstanding all the efforts that have been made to prevent pooling of railroad interests and combinations among those who control stocks of railroads, there is evidence today that E. P. Ripley has in mind a scheme to bring about a mutual understanding in regard to traffic arrangements between all the railroads of the country and a uniformity of rates that will be greatly to the benefit of the stock holders, and that the conference tonight which is to be held at Pasadena while Harriman is here, will be concerned more or less with the plan.

EXPECTS NEW LAWS Harriman evidently confidently expects that congress at the special session will make some amendment to the laws governing the interstate commerce commission's work which will permit of the kind of a merger he now has in mind. Today he seemed to evidence surprise over the fact that mention of the matter had not been made in the call for the special session.

PARTY EN ROUTE OGDEN, Utah, March 15.—Another party of railroad officials en route to the Harriman conference on the coast passed through Ogden this morning in the private car of C. O. Butterworth of the New York Central road.

BAKERSFIELD WANTS SPECIFIC DUTY ON OIL BAKERSFIELD, March 15.—The board of trade today wired Congressman Smith at Washington relative to the proposed duty on oil, as follows: "Oil interests need specific duty. They are convinced that countervailing duties would be taken off by Mexico after tariff bill is in operation."

THOMAS YOUNG'S VERSION Thomas Young was a witness in his own behalf yesterday. His testimony was about the same as he gave at the first trial. He said that when he was thrown out of the O K saloon he fell to the sidewalk in a stupor. From this he was awakened by a shot and remembers seeing the flash. He denied positively that he shot Heins.

HUNYADI JANOS Best Natural Laxative Water This standard and popular aperient-water is the best remedy for indigestion and irregularities of the bowels and stomach. It is so well and favorably known that it needs no introduction.

CONSTIPATION The executive committee of the Portola festival offers a prize amounting in value to \$100 for the photo of the most beautiful young woman in the state of California.

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FARRAGUT PLACED IN DRYDOCK FOR REPAIRS Torpedo Boat Leaking Badly on Arrival at Mare Island

STORY OF ATTEMPTED HOLDUP TOLD IN COURT Drug Clerk Testifies Against Alleged Footpad

TESTIMONY SOUGHT AGAINST SWINDLER Circular Letters Sent to Victims of J. C. Mabray

RATS AND MICE EXTERMINATED BY SCIENTIFIC METHODS The bacteriological studies of Dr. Jean Danysz, the Director of the Laboratory of Agricultural Micro-Biology at Pasteur Institute, Paris, developed the virus now being placed on the market for public use under the name of DANYSZ VIRUS

TELEGRAPHERS OF PARIS ON STRIKE

Postoffice Employs Protest Against Arbitrary Acts of Official Tumultuous Scene in Court When Clerks Face Charges

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S. N. WOOD & CO. The Largest Retailers of Apparel in the West Three-Piece Tailored Costumes The Choicest and Most Artistic Creations for Spring \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$50 and \$55 Among the most charming things brought out for spring, and extremely fashionable, are the street coats over the blouse gowns forming the so called Three-Piece Costumes. One of the most practical of these in navy blue is pictured in the sketch, price \$25. In its distinctiveness and air of elegance it is representative of the general character of our extensive showing of these Costume Suits. Many models are plainly designed, while others are quite elaborately braided with standing soutache or embroidered. Those intended for general wear are in walking length, combining street frock and coat. In some cases the dresses are made without sleeves or yokes for wear with fancy guimps. The materials are satin cloths, solici, epingle serge and worsteds in all colors. Tailored Suits, \$25 The style, workmanship and quality of materials employed in our Tailored Suits can not be too strongly emphasized to give a correct impression of their merit. The medium priced lines at \$25 are unusually strong and well chosen. The coats are soft tailored, made on the newest lines and introducing many uncommon features in their designing. There are strictly plain models of mannish worsteds and diagonal chevots—their cut and finish give them style—also handsome fancy tailored models, made of epingle and French serge. Pale, medium and dark colors are shown. Many Styles in Tailored Suits at \$30 and \$35 Strictly plain tailored Suits of worsteds and diagonal chevots in all colors. Their cut and finish give them style. Fancy models of mannish worsteds, perfectly tailored; also stunning fancy tailored Dresses, made of epingle and French serge, in pale, medium and dark colors. Tailored and Dress Hats, \$5 and \$7.50 Every new tendency in outline of brim and shape or size of crown is correctly portrayed. Notable among the many distinct varieties are Neapolitan, Milan, Yedda, French Chip, Leghorn Hats and numerous effects in Japanese Braids. These are shown in an unusual color line, including Vieux Olive, Old Blue, Peacock, Bluet, Navy, Mustard, Old Gold, Olive, Emerald, Heliotrope, Amethyst, Champagne, Fawn, Brown, Argent, Taupe and Black. Among the most effective shapes for street wear are the narrow brimmed hats with large crowns and the large turbans. For dress wear the large shapes are favored, with crowns of unusual height and brims of mushroom tendency with graceful outlines. Most exceptional values! Market at Fourth Street Oakland at Washington and 11th Uptown at Fillmore and Ellis