

### CANAL TOLLS REPEAL FIGHT RESUMED IN HOUSE AND SENATE

Representative Knowland Says Wilson Proposes to Surrender to British Without Protest.

### QUESTION FOR THE PRESIDENT Is Panama Canal Price for Elimination of Huerta?

NEW BILL BY MR. LEWIS Gives President Power to Suspend Tolls at Discretion.

### CLARK WILL SPEAK TUESDAY Representative Harrison Says Honor of Government is Involved and that He Stands by the Platform.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Debate on the repeal of the Panama tolls exemption continued today in the house and senate. The house was proceeding on the Sims bill under twenty hours debate as provided in the hard fought battle of yesterday. The senate was debating the subject generally.

In the house Representative Knowland, controlling the time for the republicans, assailed the repeal in unmeasured terms as "surrendering to Great Britain without a struggle."

"Is the Panama canal now the price of the elimination of Huerta?" he demanded.

In the senate, resolutions by Senator Lewis and Senator Gallinger were laid aside until Monday. Mr. Lewis' resolution was supplementary to a now pending resolution declaring for equal tolls and would empower the president to suspend tolls in his discretion.

Administration supporters are confident the repeal bill will pass the house by Tuesday night or early Wednesday.

Yesterday's victory for the administration in the house aroused expectations of champions of repeal in the senate that a favorable report will be forthcoming from the canal committee, notwithstanding the influence of its chairman, Senator O'Gorman.

Real Issue is Stated.

"Disgrace the situation and belaud the issue as you may, there is no escaping from the naked truth that for the first time the people of this great nation are urged to surrender under foreign pressure," declared Mr. Knowland in the house.

"I entertain a high regard for the patriotism and honesty of purpose I would not attempt to question. However, like all members of the human family, he is apt to err. In this instance an apparent error in judgment in handling the Mexican situation has necessitated the latest move, at least his message so hints. The most charitable thing to say is that he has been imposed on."

Mr. Knowland urged the house, if it repealed the exemption, to declare that it had not surrendered the contention that the United States might make one.

Representative Madden, republican of Illinois, spoke for the repeal. He said he saw no reason for the people of the central west contributing to a ship subsidy.

Representative O'Shaunessy, democrat of Rhode Island, spoke for the exemption, declaring the platform pledge of the Baltimore convention for free passage should be supported.

The contest in the house today was largely oratorical, although both sides continued efforts to strengthen their forces for the final struggle, which is expected Tuesday or Wednesday.

Speaker Clark has announced his intention to speak against the bill on Tuesday.

Harrison Against Wilson.

Representative Harrison, democrat of Mississippi, was one of the early speakers when the debate was resumed.

Although admitting his anxiety to "follow the president and comply with his wishes," Mr. Harrison said he could not reconcile his conscience to the president's view and surrender to Great Britain a principle of national honor and integrity.

"I prefer to vote my convictions, follow the platform of my party and stand up for the integrity and honor of my government," he said.

"Free tolls will aid the farmers and manufacturers of the Mississippi valley to ship their products down the Mississippi through the canal and to the Pacific coast at cheaper rates than are now charged by the railroads," he said. "It would probably open up another market on the Pacific coast, where there are natural manufacturing advantages for the cotton of the farmers of Mississippi and other southern states."

### New York Legislature Adjourns While in Deadlock on Budget

ALBANY, N. Y., March 28.—The New York legislature adjourned sine die early today, leaving unfinished business that will require its return in extraordinary session. The senate and the house disagreed over appropriation bills.

The lower house quit business abruptly at 3:27 o'clock this morning without sending notice to the senate and the governor. Legislation embodying the annual appropriation bills necessary to the maintenance of departments of the state was on the way from senate to the house.

Senators, regardless of party, expressed resentment because the house terminated its existence without notice, but they proceeded placidly, ending their session at 6:15 o'clock.

The appropriation bill, over which the two houses disagreed, involved about \$3,500,000. As amended by the senate, the total was \$1,000 less than when approved by the house.

The assembly's objections were based on an alleged juggling of the items. Assemblymen said the senate cut out \$500,000 for hospital and other necessary departments to get money for carrying on two departments which the assembly wished to abolish, the state fire marshal's bureau and the department of efficiency and economy. It also was contended that some of the alterations were intended to cripple so-called republican departments in the way of repeal.

Confusion arose from cross purposes between the two branches in its closing day, and much important legislation failed of enactment.

### Lumbermen Ask for Right to Combine to Get Foreign Trade

PORTLAND, Ore., March 28.—Lumbermen and bankers, representing the bulk of the producing power of the lumber industry in this state and a fair percentage of the output of the entire northwest, appeared before Secretary of Commerce Redfield here today to ask his support in opposing such pending national legislation as might interfere with the department of foreign trade.

The delegation desired that no laws be passed by congress aimed at restraint of trade, which would prevent pooling of the Pacific coast lumbermen in exploiting foreign lumber markets. The reason given was that no individual operator could possibly undertake to invade European or other markets alone, but that if the industry as a whole were allowed to pool its interests the world markets could be successfully invaded.

Secretary Redfield replied that as he was a member of the executive branch of the government, he would have no power to possibly undertake to invade European or other markets alone, but that if the industry as a whole were allowed to pool its interests the world markets could be successfully invaded.

Conversely he declared that his powers would be limited to suggesting the elimination of features of such bills as might jeopardize American trade and industry.

He assured the delegation that the present administration was pledged to the enactment of constructive measures based on sound business principle.

### Floods Threaten Ohio and Western Part of New York

COLUMBUS, O., March 28.—With the Great Miami and Whitewater rivers raging, the Scioto climbing a foot an hour and the Muskingum and Licking rivers out of their banks along the lowlands, anxiety was felt during last night of a recurrence of the disastrous floods of last March. Damage so far reported has been confined to the southwestern section of the state.

At Batavia the municipal sewage disposal plant is eight feet under water.

A culvert on the Erie railroad near Attica was washed away last night, causing the dispatch of trains over the New York Central tracks. At Corning the Chenung river is ten feet above normal and has flooded the highways west of the city. At Olean the Allegheny river has overflowed its banks and the southern portions of the city are under water.

### Body of Murdered School Teacher Found

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., March 28.—The body of Miss Lydia Beecher, a high school teacher of Poland, N. Y., was found among bushes on the outskirts of that town today. She had been murdered with a knife, apparently after having been attacked.

The young woman left her boarding house last night to mail a letter at the village postoffice. When she did not return search for her was begun, but it was not until today that the body was found.

Miss Beecher was 21 years old. The authorities took a man into custody today as a suspect. His name is Gammi and he is said to have been recently expelled from school by Miss Beecher. The authorities say that he was seen talking with the young woman last night. He could not be found at his home, but was traced to Newport, four miles from the scene of the tragedy.

The countryside has not been stirred by any other crime since the murder of Grace Brown by Chester Gillette in this section eight years ago.

### BODY FOUND IN RUINS OF MILWAUKEE HOTEL

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 28.—A body of an unidentified middle aged woman was found today in the ruins of the Windsor hotel, which was destroyed by fire ten days ago. At the time a statement was given out by the proprietor that every occupant had escaped.

### VILLA WIRES BATTLE IS STILL CONTINUING

Latest Message from Rebel Chief Asserts Belief City Will Soon Be Taken.

NO DETAILS OF THE FIGHT. Insurrectos Hopeful Success Will Shortly Crown Efforts.

VILLA TO JOIN GEN. HERRERA. Federals Making Last Stand on the West Side of City.

FIFTH DAY OF THE STRUGGLE. Losses on Both Sides Are Heavy and Engagement is Said to Be Most Terrible Ever Fought in Mexico.

BULLETIN. JUAREZ, Mexico, March 28, 1 p. m.—Heavy fighting continued in Torreon today, according to a telegram just received from General Villa. Villa added that he expected to have the city by tonight. He gave no details.

JUAREZ, Mex., March 28.—It was with the expectation that Torreon would crumble under the rebel attack today, that officials here resumed their tasks this morning.

The last reports yesterday were that General Monclovia Herrera had cut his way from the eastern side of the city through the business section to the bull ring on the north; that General Villa had set out with more troops from Gomez Palacio to join him and take supreme command, and that the federals were making a final stand in their defenses on the west side.

An unconfirmed rumor at midnight had it that the rebels had taken the hill known as Cerro De La Cruz, an important defense. No verification was still lacking early today.

Most Terrible Battle in Mexico. No military official in Juarez today doubts that the battle which General Villa has waged against Gomez Palacio, now his, and Torreon, has been the most terrible of any engagement of this or any other revolutionary movement in Mexico. General Villa went to the front with 12,000 seasoned men, well equipped for a vigorous, smashing assault against any resistance the federals might offer. News dispatches indicate that the loss in dead and wounded to both sides was enormous. Lack of hospital facilities, the heat of the desert wind and the four days of strenuous, practically constant fighting under the virile and tenacious leadership of "Pancho" Villa were believed to have amassed a horrible casualty list.

Villa is a Hero. Villa himself has become a hero. Everywhere in Juarez his praises were being sung today. By Maderistas and constitutionalists he is looked upon as the greatest military genius in the southern republic and great confidence is expressed that he will push his triumphant way with his rebel army to the very doors of the national palace in Mexico City.

With "Vivas" for Villa and "Vivas" for Carranza, the supreme chief of the revolution, rebel sympathizers gathered about the streets of Juarez today to welcome Carranza when he ended his long overland march from Nogales to this city enroute to Chihuahua. And none could tell whether "Viva Villa" or "Viva Carranza" was shouted with more fervor.

Berlin, March 28.—Ferdinand Eginski, 33 years old, a tailor of Ahlbeck, is Germany's champion father. It developed today, of his marriages with two sisters thirty-five children were born, twenty-six of whom are still living.

The father married at the age of 20. His first wife, who died in 1907, bore him twenty-four children. In 1908 he married his deceased wife's sister and she has borne him eleven children in the last six years. Triplets came on one occasion and twins were born twice.

When his sixth son entered the army in 1913, Eginski received a private audience with the kaiser, who ordered him entertained in Berlin at his majesty's expense for a week.

### Father of Thirty-Six is Honored by the Kaiser

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### Two Men Drowned Near Schenectady

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., March 28.—Two unidentified men were drowned today when Freeman's bridge over the Mohawk river, two miles west of here, was swept away. The damage done here by the high water thus far amounts to \$200,000. The river was falling this afternoon.

JACKSON, Miss., March 28.—Four hundred buildings, including the leading hotel and two department stores, were flooded as a result of Town creek overflowing its banks here today. It is established that the damage will amount to \$200,000. The creek became so swollen after forty-eight hours of steady rainfall and the floods came so quickly that merchants did not have time to move their stocks.

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### OFFICERS OF BRITISH ARMY NEAR REVOLT

Problem Raised by Ulster Guarantees to "Military Aristocracy" Still Unsolved.

GENERALS STILL OBSTINATE. Threat of Nine Hundred Officers to Resign was Carried to War Office by Field Marshal Lord Roberts.

LONDON, March 28.—No solution has been found up to a late hour today of the situation caused by the resignations of Field Marshal Sir John French and Adjutant General Sir John Ewart from their positions at the head of the British army. The cabinet, however, was still hopeful that its difficulties would be overcome before it again meets the House of Commons on Monday.

Should the chief of the general staff and the adjutant general to the forces persist in their attitude, it is generally thought that Colonel John Seely, secretary of state for war, will leave the cabinet.

In case the government should be able to placate the field marshal and the adjutant general, the transfer of Colonel Seely to some other field of activity probably will satisfy the Liberal and Labor malcontents.

In the meantime the opposition of the army to employment in the coercion of Ulster is vouched for by no less an authority than Sir Edward Richard Russell, a staunch supporter of the government, who in a signed article in the Liverpool Post says today:

"It is a positive fact that when he visited the War office early this week, Field Marshal Lord Roberts had in his pocket a list of nearly 500 officers of the army who are ready to send in their papers."

The members of the cabinet separated today for the week-end and most of them have gone on visits to various parts of the country.

### The National Capital

Saturday, March 28, 1914. Business Success. The Senate. Met at noon. Senator Lewis introduced a bill to vitiate his resolution for promulgating a policy of treating all nations alike on the Panama canal and then discussed tolls issue.

The House. Met at noon and resumed debate on Panama canal tolls exemption bill. Representative Harrison spoke against exemption bill.

Public lands committee held hearing on federal coal and oil lands leasing bill. T. H. Downing, New York, and others advocated before judiciary committee, bill permitting appeals from customs court to supreme court.

### New York Central Lays Off Twenty-Five Thousand Men

NEW YORK, March 28.—Dismissal of 25,000 men by the New York Central railroad since December 1, said A. T. Hardin, vice president of that road, today, "is only a barometer of the company's business. The reduction of forces was not arbitrary. It came about gradually as traffic, mainly freight, declined, and I cannot see any immediate prospect that business will pick up and these men come back to work."

Mr. Hardin said this condition affected most of the eastern railroads. Of the 25,000 men dismissed, about 15,000 were laid off east of Buffalo and 10,000 west of Buffalo. The reduction affected all branches of the service.

"Compared with 1913," said Mr. Hardin, "the business of this year in New York Central suffered a reduction of from 5 to 10 per cent. The reduction of the working force has been on the same ratio."

### Senate Reconsiders Cotton Futures Bill

WASHINGTON, March 28.—After striking out the amendment legalizing pooling, the senate today repassed the bill to regulate trading in cotton futures.

The bill as passed yesterday with a provision to legalize the pooling of cotton to raise prices was reconsidered on the motion of Senator Smith of South Carolina, its author, because of objections. It was at first proposed to let the bill stand with assurances that the house would strike out the provision, but that plan was finally rejected.

Senator Kenyon declared the provision, in his opinion, legalized what the supreme court condemned as a violation of the Sherman law in the cases against James A. Patten and others, who were charged with agreeing to pool cotton and withhold it from the New York Cotton exchange in 1905, reaping \$10,000,000 in profits. Senator Kenyon, as an official of the Department of Justice, then had charge of the indictments against Patten and others.

### Go to Church Today!

Safely thro' another week, God has brought us on our way; Let us now a blessing seek, waiting in His courts today; Day of all the week the best, emblem of eternal rest.

—John Newton.

### The Universal Chorus



### UNCLESAM PROTESTS AGAINST THE OIL BILL

Says German Monopoly Measure is Unfair to the American Investors.

GERARD FILES MEMORANDUM. Would Have Effect of Rendering Standard Oil Distributing Plants in the Empire Practically Useless.

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### CHURCH ADVERTISING TO BRING THOUSANDS TO FILL EMPTY PEWS

Today, Go-to-Church Sunday, Expected to See Myriads of Unaccustomed Worshipers.

SPECIAL SERVICES PROVIDED. Needs of Backsliders and Non-Churchmen Are Considered.

HERALDS' BUGLES ARE SOUNDED. Novel Reminder of Invitations Made Saturday Afternoon.

SAYS ADVERTISING LEGITIMATE. Publicity Secured by Church as Proper as Ringing the Church Bell, Says Rev. Mr. Jenks in Sermon.

"To which church are you going today?" is the new and up-to-date version of the old Sunday morning query, "Are you going to church?"

No longer should the question of church-going be a debatable one, for during the last two months hundreds of ministers and laymen have persistently educated the public to the propriety, importance and even necessity of assimilating some religion on the day of rest.

Today is "Go-to-Church Sunday," the grand ending of what is also intended to be a great beginning—of regular and continuous church-going by all of Omaha's citizens. Therefore, the invitation has been repeatedly advertised: "Go to church, and take someone else with you."

Many thousands of men, women and children will go to the places of worship this morning and evening, and for many thousands it will be the first time in months, perhaps years. Backsliders and out-right non-churchmen will be numbered among the new faces which will greet the ministers, and for them as well as for the regular attendants, the sermons, music and other parts of the services will be made especially attractive, in order that all may realize the benefit and uplift to be derived from the church.

Hope for Favorable Weather. The rainy weather of yesterday and last night will have exhausted itself long before breakfast time this morning, according to the hopes of the promoters of the "Go-to-Church" movement, who admit that the maximum attendance at the today's services will not be possible, under adverse weather conditions. However, they expect that the greater proportion of prospective church-goers will not be deterred by threatening skies.

"Why the Church?" "Why Go to Church?" "The Church's Challenge to the Unchurched," and dozens of similar topics will constitute the themes of Omaha ministers today. In fact, although the general tendency will not be to have the services extremely different from those of other Sundays, almost every church will take special cognizance of the fact that thousands of non-church-goers will be present, and the services will be conducted for their benefit as well as that of the regular members.

Special Afternoon Service. At least one church, All Saints' Episcopal, will conduct a special service at 4 o'clock for persons who do not attend church regularly. Rev. Thomas J. Mackay, the rector, will make a special address at that service to the strangers, extra fine music will be rendered, and the rector emphasizes the fact that every seat will be free and no collection will be taken.

Several churches, including the First Methodist, Diets Memorial and a number of others, have nurseries, where babies and small children are cared for by competent women, while the parents attend services. This feature has aided many people to participate in Sunday worship, whereas they would otherwise be barred by the press of family duties.

Many automobiles to carry aged and infirm people to the churches will be available this morning, their owners having arranged to spend a half hour before the service in conveying neighbors to the church.

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### In line for more business

What retailer, large or small, is there who would not gladly welcome an increase in sales? What retailer would not enlarge the number of satisfied customers coming into his store?

There is a way to do both. This is an age of specialization in merchandising—an age of better things and known values.

Manufacturers all over the country are concentrating brains, capital, and efficiency to make and distribute all kinds of merchandise of a much higher quality and service than ever before in history.

These producers need a nationwide market for their product. They are taking the surest and quickest method to acquaint millions of people of the merits of their wares—they are advertising direct to the consumer through the columns of daily newspapers like The Bee.

The retailer who wishes to be in line for more business can take advantage of all such advertising by carrying on his shelves and displaying in his windows these superior articles that the people are demanding.

The opportunity is open to every up-and-doing retailer in every community that has a good newspaper.

Three Issues at Upland. UPLAND, Neb., March 28.—(Special.)—John Anderson, Dan Blankenbiller, Peter Youngson and Jens Iversen were nominated by the citizens' caucus for places on the village board. It was decided to vote on license, pool halls and Sunday base ball.

### The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Sunday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity—Unsettled with probably rain.

Temperature at	Hours	Deg.
	5 a. m.	45
	6 a. m.	45
	7 a. m.	45
	8 a. m.	45
	9 a. m.	45
	10 a. m.	45
	11 a. m.	45
	12 m.	45
	1 p. m.	45
	2 p. m.	45
	3 p. m.	45
	4 p. m.	45
	5 p. m.	45
	6 p. m.	45
	7 p. m.	45

Comparative Local Records. 1914, 1913, 1912, 1911. Highest yesterday 60 55 64 26. Lowest yesterday 45 34 34 33. Mean temperature 52 44 44 34. Precipitation .84 .00 .00 0.0

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal. Normal temperature 48. Excess for the day 1.0. Total excess since March 1.0. Normal precipitation .06 inch. Excess for the day .78 inch. Total rainfall since March 1.0. Excess since March 1.0. Excess for cor. period 1913 1.58 inches. Excess for cor. period 1912 1.54 inches. T indicates trace of precipitation. L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.