

### OPEN WAR DECLARED ON RULE OF SECRECY IN NATIONAL SENATE

Kenyon Offers Resolution Providing for Lifting of Publicity Ban.

AFTERMATH OF DANIELS CASE  
No Secret Sessions Except When Treaties Up or Ordered.

NINE ACTING WITH IOWAN  
La Follette, Norris, Cummins and Other Western Members Active.

LID-RAISING CAMPAIGN IS ON  
Legislators Assert They Are Without Fear Any Attempt Will Be Made to Unseat Them.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Open war was declared in the United States senate today against the time-honored rule of secrecy relating to proceedings in executive sessions.

Following the defiance expressed by several senators in closed session on Friday against suppressing debate on the confirmation of Winthrop M. Daniels of New Jersey as a member of the Interstate Commerce commission actual hostilities began when Senator Kenyon of Iowa after a conference with those of his colleagues who are leading in the movement to lift the ban on publicity, introduced a resolution to provide for open sessions on all matters except treaties, unless otherwise directed by unanimous consent of the senate.

The resolution proposing to amend the rules, which was referred to a committee on rules, reads: "Resolved, that it is the judgment of the senate that executive sessions shall hereafter be open to the public, except when treaties are considered or when matters of confidential character are considered, and the committee on rules is directed to prepare such amendments to the present rules or to prepare new rules or both, as may be necessary to carry out the terms of this resolution, and present the same to the senate for action thereon."

It was submitted with the backing of Senators La Follette, Cummins, Gronna, Borah, Clapp, Jones, Bristol, Norris and Pendergast, who propose as they gave notice on Friday, to discuss freely executive sessions debates on the qualifications of nominees for public office whenever they feel that the public should be informed regarding them.

### Mr. Daniels Asked President Wilson to Withdraw Name

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Confirmation of Winthrop M. Daniels of New Jersey, as a member of the Interstate Commerce commission, after the notable three-day campaign, was followed today by the revelation that Mr. Daniels asked President Wilson to withdraw his name and thus stop the contest, which he believed to be embarrassing the president and that Mr. Wilson refused.

There was naturally satisfaction at the White House today that Mr. Daniels had been confirmed. The sharp contest was regarded by officials as of importance in revealing the attitude of senators toward the physical valuation of railroads.

There was lively speculation and various attempts at construction of the president's support of Mr. Daniels in connection with the railroad situation. Senators to whom the president expressed his desire for Mr. Daniels' confirmation found the president taking the attitude that he expected only that Mr. Daniels would be fair. The opposition to Mr. Daniels arose out of his decisions in certain utility cases in New Jersey.

### MRS. RUTH GREENFIELD FORMER ACTRESS, IS DEAD

NEW YORK, April 4.—Mrs. Ruth Adelaide Greenfield, one of the "old school" actresses, died in a hospital yesterday of appendicitis.

Mrs. Greenfield made her debut in this city in 1856 as Camille in the production of that name. During her career she supported many noted actors.

For the last few years Mrs. Greenfield had been active in the work of the Protestant Episcopal church.

### The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Sunday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity—Mostly cloudy; warmer.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday	Hours	Deg.
2 a. m.	58	58
5 a. m.	58	58
8 a. m.	58	58
11 a. m.	58	58
2 p. m.	58	58
5 p. m.	58	58
8 p. m.	58	58
11 p. m.	58	58

Comparative Local Record:  
Highest yesterday 64  
Lowest yesterday 42  
Mean temperature 52  
Precipitation .02

### SAYS TALBOT IS DEFEATED

Woodman Insurgent Leader Summarizes Progress of Battle.

MAJORITY IN NEBRASKA LARGE  
Two Conventions Held in Cass County—Administration Forces Are Preparing to File Contests.

HASTINGS, Neb., April 4.—(Special.)—Late reports from counties over the state are lengthening the lead of the insurgents in the fight for the control of the Modern Woodmen convention, which will be held here May 6, according to a statement issued today by Dr. James V. Hightol, chairman of the National Woodmen Federation and state chairman of the same organization. He also predicts the defeat of Head Council Talbot and other head officers.

Dr. Hightol thus summarizes the situation: "Reliable reports from a majority of the counties in Nebraska and comparative estimates made on counties not reported show that the Modern Woodmen of America insurgents have won a decided victory in this state. We have carried the Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth districts practically unanimously. We will have a good majority in the Sixth district and some delegates in the First district. Reports coming from the head council's office that the administration and payroll force in the lead are entirely erroneous and not based on facts."

"We have elected between seventy-five and eighty insurgent delegates not counting a few known standpatters who were elected under the guise and promise of insurgency. I am advised that the administration is paving the way for contests even where it is not the shadow of ground for it. For instance, in Cass county there were fifty delegates. Twenty of these were from Plattsmouth camp, the dominant camp of the county and for the administration. The other thirty-six delegates, representing all other camps, were against the administration. The insurgents being in the majority organized the convention, whereupon the fourteen standpatters withdrew to another hall and proceeded to elect delegates in the hope that they will be seated in the state convention. Cass county sends three delegates and the regular convention has chosen three strong insurgents."

Reports from Other States:  
"It is impossible at this early date to know the results in all states. E. E. Murphy, director from Kansas, is defeated in three-fourths of the counties. J. G. Johnson will head the delegation from Kansas. Director Körns has lost Iowa, eighty-five counties in that state insurgent by large majorities. In Ohio states where we have no organization are reporting excellent reports of insurgent victories in many counties, but reports are not sufficient to base an estimate upon. I am satisfied we have carried all of the great Woodmen states and will control the next head camp."

### Asserts Wilson Is Seeking War So He Can Be Re-elected

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—President Wilson's Mexican policy was criticized and defended at today's session of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, at which the situation in the neighboring republic, its problems and obligations, were discussed. There was a general agreement among the speakers that there will be no permanent peace in Mexico until the land problem is settled.

Many speakers took up various phases of the Mexican situation, and most of them agreed there should be no intervention except as an extreme resort.

Major Cassius E. Gillette, formerly of the United States army, described conditions in Mexico and declared that it was his belief that the president of the United States would not be unwilling to become a war hero in order to get a second term. The speaker had no sooner delivered these words than blazes came from different parts of the hall. He said he knew what he said would arouse protest, and predicted that such a situation would come about.

### I. W. W. Woman Says Would Like to See Minister Kiss Her

NEW YORK, April 4.—Jane Est, heretofore identified with movements of the Industrial Workers of the World, created consternation at the Metropolitan temple today by trying to force her way into the trial of Dr. Jacob E. Price, pastor of the Washington Heights Methodist Episcopal church, who is charged with misconduct by nine women members of his congregation.

At the door she was confronted by Dr. Frank J. Halcher, pastor of the Five Points mission, acting as attorney for the defendant.

"Let me in," she shouted in tones which immediately drew a large crowd. "This is not a private trial; ecclesiastical itself is on trial. Ecclesiasticalism has always whitewashed the church whenever charges are made against pastors. These trials ought to be held out in the open where people can hear them. There is a great deal of talk about shielding the pastor."

"I want to see Dr. Price. I'd like to see him try to kiss me."

### CASHIER FELT GIVEN FIVE-YEAR SENTENCE

Former Bank Official of Superior Pleas Guilty to Misuse of Funds.

APPEALS IN FEDERAL COURT  
Five Sentence in Government Prison at Leavenworth.

CONSCIENCE BROUGHT HIM BACK  
Disappeared Short Time Before the Failure of Institution.

MINIMUM UNDER THE LAW  
Authorities Say He Has Been Great Help in Assisting to Untangle the Financial Affairs of the Bank.

A. C. Felt, cashier of the First National bank of Superior, indicted by a federal grand jury at Lincoln for misapplication of funds of the bank, preceding the failure of the institution, entered a plea of guilty before Judge W. H. Munger of the United States district court at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and was immediately sentenced to five years in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan.

The five-year sentence is the minimum penalty provided in the federal statutes for such an offense, under the national banking laws.

A short time before the failure of the bank, with which he was connected, Felt disappeared. No trace of the man was found for several months. However, the change of scenery did not bring a respite from the crime, which haunted him day and night. At last, Felt made up his mind to return, take the punishment which awaited him, and assist as far as possible in untangling the complications into which he had thrown the bank.

His voluntary return and keen interest in aiding the officials of the bank in straightening out the affairs and securities of the institution were greatly responsible for the fact that he was given the minimum sentence on one charge under which he was indicted.

During the time Felt has been in jail here, awaiting trial, hundreds of persons have visited him. His jail life has been that of a busy business man rather than a prisoner, for attorneys, bankers and many other business men were among his callers. He has done much to rehabilitate the bank, it is said, in his advice on securities, which are held by the bank, and in sorting genuine from forged notes.

### Alleges Monopoly in Stock Buying

St. Louis Live Stock Exporter Files Damage Suit for Quarter Million.

CHARGE OF COLLUSION MADE  
Complaint Says Leading Dealers Exchange Information About Shippers that Refuse First Offers.

ST. LOUIS, April 4.—Suit for \$200,000 damages was filed in the circuit court here today against the Live Stock exchange of East St. Louis, the National stock yards, two packing companies and twenty individual dealers, charging a monopoly for dealing in live stock.

The suit was filed by Labron W. Burton, a live stock dealer of St. Louis. The packing firms named in the petition are Morris and company and Swift and company.

### Colfax Minister Forgiven by Church For Fall Off 'Wagon'

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
REV. H. B. PRUITT, pastor of the First Baptist church of Colfax, Ia., who was fined \$1 in Des Moines police court yesterday, has been unanimously forgiven for falling off the water wagon through a vote of his congregation, sent to the Des Moines newspapers today. He offered his resignation, which was refused.

### Automobile Falls from High Bridge

NEW YORK, April 4.—One woman was killed, another slightly hurt and two men were seriously injured today when their automobile swerved off a temporary bridge over the Long Island railroad at Winfield, L. I., and crashed to the tracks thirty feet below. The dead woman was Miss Betty Mack of New York.

### No Politics in It, Whatsoever!



Drawn for The Bee by Powell.

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### Asquith Says Took War Post to Settle Status of the Army

LADYBANK, Scotland, April 4.—Premier Asquith opened his election campaign this afternoon in the Masonic hall of this little village. The hall is in a dilapidated building with a holding capacity of 300. Under these circumstances the speech of the prime minister was made to the sixty reporters rather than to the delegates of the Scottish Liberal association, who filled the rest of the hall.

### SECRETARY BRYAN IS REPORTED IMPROVING

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Secretary Bryan, suffering from a severe cold, was improved today. Although still confined to his home, he was giving personal attention to State department affairs. He expects to return to his desk Monday.

### The National Capital Saturday, April 4, 1914.

The Senate.  
Met at noon, discussed various phases of the Panama tolls repeal and ordered printed various documents on the question.

### WILLA'S ENTRY INTO TORREON INFORMAL

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Non-combatants here with whom the Associated Press correspondent talked today, estimated that Velasco's garrison did not number more than 6,000 men of whom 1,500 were killed or wounded.

When Velasco fled he left behind in the military hospital 200 wounded. When the rebels entered the place they found only one nurse, Dorothea de la Cruz, in attendance. She said that the other nurses followed the army when it evacuated the city.

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### VILLA TAKES DIRECT CHARGE OF PURSUIT OFFLEEING FEDERALS

General Goes to San Pedro to Direct Movements Against Remnants of Torreon Garrison.

FEDERAL POSITION DANGEROUS  
Prospect for a Successful Retreat Now Seems Remote.

REBELS MAKE GREAT GAINS  
Now Control Nearly Half of the Republic's Territory.

HUERTA DENIES FALL OF CITY  
Officials in City of Mexico Are Trying to Hold Back News of Disaster for Psychological Reasons.

JUARREZ, Mex., April 4.—The opinion that General Villa intends to take every advantage of the defeat of the federals at Torreon was expressed here today. It was based on the intelligence officially announced last night, that Villa had left suddenly for San Pedro to take personal charge of rebel troops reported to have participated in an encounter with fleeing federals.

The sudden departure of Villa late yesterday from Torreon prevented the promised telegraphic conference with General Carranza, by which it had been expected to gain detailed information concerning the closing days of the struggle for the possession of Torreon.

A temporary hospital is being fitted up at the race track and it is stated that 200 wounded from Chihuahua will be brought here to convalesce.

No new information as to the pursuit of the federal force from Torreon was received this forenoon.

Still Deny Capture of Torreon.  
MEXICO CITY, April 4.—The federal government still obstinately denied the capture of Torreon by the rebels. It was assumed in many quarters, however, that General Huerta and his ministers were not in ignorance of the fate of that city.

It was suggested that the withholding of the news from the public was based on psychological rather than on military grounds. It was said by various persons that the temperance of the Mexican populace was such that news of a disaster like the fate of Torreon might easily start an avalanche of public opinion against the administration, which would find itself embarrassed at a critical moment in its career.

The taking of Torreon gives the constitutionalists control of nearly half the republic, with the exception of the cities of Saltillo and Monterrey, the capitals of the states of Coahuila and Nuevo Leon. Military men regard the retreat of General Velasco from Torreon as a dangerous undertaking and they consider the position of General Javier de Mouri and General Joaquin Mass at San Pedro as precarious.

So far as is known here the federal troops still have possession of the railroad between Torreon and Saltillo, at which place connections can be made with the south.

The rebels, however, infest the region along this main line south of Saltillo. One body of them under General Eulalio Gutierrez has its headquarters at Concepcion del Oro, the terminus of a branch line from Saltillo and within striking distance of the main line. The presence of this body and that of other rebel forces in the same vicinity renders improbable an unopposed retreat of the federals toward the south.

The escape of General Velasco and his men from the rebels, however, does not appear to be a simple task. Their retreat toward Durango to the southwest or to the northeast is said by military men to be impossible unless they cut their way through rebel territory.

The railroad which connects Torreon and Zacatecas to the south has long been out of commission and now serves only to mark the trail over which General Velasco and his troops will have to march. Before reaching Zacatecas it is thought certain that General Velasco will encounter the rebel forces under General Panfilo Natera and probably will suffer from flanking attacks by rebel troops from Durango.

### Huron Wins Two Debates

HURON, S. D., April 4.—(Special.)—Huron college debating team won two debates last evening, both with State college, one debate being held in Huron and one in Brookings. The question in both debates was, "Resolved, That immigration into the United States should be further restricted by an literacy test." Huron men had the affirmative in the Huron debate and the negative in the one at Brookings.

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