



The democratic caucus in the New York legislature nominated William F. Sheehan to be United States senator. Nineteen democrats bolted the caucus, refusing to support the nominee. Governor Dix refused to take part in the fight against Sheehan.

The Smith followers in New Jersey refused to go into a caucus on senator.

The New York automobile law, which requires a person who runs

down another to give his name and address, was declared unconstitutional according to a ruling by Justice Crain, in New York.

West Virginia democrats elected as senators W. E. Chilton to succeed Senator Nathan B. Scott and Clarence W. Watson to succeed the late Senator Elkins.

W. R. Travers, former manager of the Farmers' bank at Toronto, pleaded guilty to the larceny of \$40,000

from the bank and was sentenced to six years in prison.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew was nominated by the republican caucus for United States senator. Colonel Roosevelt received two votes.

The republican caucus of the Delaware legislature nominated Henry A. Dupont as a candidate for United States senate.

In his inaugural address Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey said: "Our laws with regard to the relations of employer and employe were framed for another age, which nobody now living remembers. New rules must be devised for their (employes') protection, for their compensation when injured, and for their support when disabled. I would urge the imperative obligation of public policy and of public honesty we are under to effect such changes in the law of the state as will henceforth effectually prevent the abuse of the privilege of incorporation, which has in recent years brought so much discredit upon our state. Scrutiny and regulation ought also to be extended to corporations already operating under the license and authority of the state. Our whole system of taxation, which is no system at all, needs overhauling from top to bottom. Our primary laws should be extended to every elective office, and to the selection of every party committee or official. It is estimated that most of the food supply of the people of northern New Jersey and half the food supply for New York city is kept in cold storage warehouses in Hudson county (N. J.), awaiting the state of the market. The result is not only to control prices, but also to endanger health. * * * I earnestly urge that the legislature push some effective law of inspection and limitation to enactment."

A Columbia, South Carolina, dispatch says: "James H. Tillman, slayer of Editor Gonzales, and nephew of United States Senator Benjamin Tillman, is dying of tuberculosis. Tillman was recently released from prison. He shot Gonzales for publishing an alleged defamatory article about him."

The Boise, Idaho, Capital-News says: "That the initiative and referendum will be made an issue during the present session of the legislature was made evident in the senate when Senator William H. Hornbrook of Twin Falls county, president of the Idaho Direct Legislation league, introduced two resolutions calling for submission of constitutional amendments providing for the placing of this power in the hands of the people. Both were referred to the committee on privileges and elections. It is asserted by the advocates of the so-called reform measures that they intend to make their fight non-partisan and that already they have the guarantee and support of the numerous republican solons. It was plainly intimated, however, that both measures will meet with strenuous opposition."

Attorney Charles E. Erbstein was acquitted in a Chicago court on the charge of having bribed a juror to prevent the conviction of Lee O'Neil Browne, democratic leader in the Illinois legislature.

An Associated Press dispatch from Jefferson City, Mo., says: "Representative Warner of St. Louis introduced a bill in the house prohibiting aeroplane ascensions to a greater height than 1,000 feet and requiring aviators to give a bond of \$10,000 as a guarantee they will not violate the laws. The penalty is a prison sen-

tence of five years. The violator of the law is said to be 'guilty of attempted suicide.' Representative Warner was a friend of Arch Hoxsey and Ralph Johnstone, and he said their deaths influenced him to introduce the bill."

Assemblyman Saunders of New York cast his vote for Alton B. Parker for United States senator. Judge Parker wrote Mr. Saunders a letter urging him to vote for Sheehan. Saunders replied that he would not support Sheehan.

A madman fired two shots at Premier Briand in Paris. The premier escaped, but M. Hirman was shot in the leg. The assailant was arrested.

Brand Whitlock, mayor of Toledo, has been attacked by appendicitis.

United States senators were elected as follows: George P. McLean, republican, Connecticut; G. M. Hitchcock, democrat, Nebraska; James A. Reed, democrat, Missouri; Charles E. Townsend, republican, Michigan; Miles Poindexter, republican, Washington; Charles F. Johnson, democrat, Maine; John W. Kern, democrat, Indiana; Porter J. McCumber, republican, and Asle J. Gronne, republican, North Dakota; Moses E. Clapp, republican, Minnesota; Sutherland, republican, Utah; Oliver, republican, Pennsylvania;

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