

433 MEMBERS IN NEXT HOUSE

Effect of Reapportionment Bill Passed by Congress.

HOW DIFFERENT STATES GAIN

When Arizona and New Mexico Are Admitted Membership Will Be Increased to 435—Effect on National Conventions and Electoral College.

The bill passed by congress authorizing a reapportionment by the state of congress districts on the basis of population as disclosed by the last census increases the membership of the house from 391, as at present, to 433, with two added when New Mexico and Arizona become states.

Efforts in the senate to keep the membership down failed. Senator Root offered an amendment to keep the membership at 391. It commanded only twenty-three votes. Then, Senator McCumber offered to make the number 405, but this also failed.

Under the new law the members of the next house will be apportioned among the states as follows:

No.	Gains.
Alabama	10
Arkansas	7
California	11
Colorado	4
Connecticut	5
Delaware	1
Florida	4
Georgia	12
Idaho	2
Illinois	17
Indiana	12
Iowa	11
Kansas	8
Kentucky	11
Louisiana	8
Maine	4
Maryland	5
Massachusetts	10
Michigan	12
Minnesota	10
Mississippi	8
Missouri	16
Montana	2
Nebraska	3
Nevada	1
New Hampshire	2
New Jersey	12
New York	43
North Carolina	10
North Dakota	2
Ohio	12
Oklahoma	8
Oregon	3
Pennsylvania	35
Rhode Island	2
South Carolina	7
South Dakota	3
Tennessee	10
Texas	18
Utah	2
Vermont	2
Virginia	10
Washington	5
West Virginia	6
Wisconsin	11
Wyoming	1
Totals	433

The law will also take effect next year in the makeup of the national conventions and in the membership of the electoral college. It will make the membership of each national convention, exclusive of the territories, 1,062 each, provided Arizona and New Mexico are states at that time, a majority of which, 532, will be sufficient to dominate the Republican convention, and two-thirds of which, 708, in the Democratic convention, will nominate candidates. These figures will be increased slightly by the allotment of delegates given to the territories. The electoral college, however, if the new states are admitted, will have 531 members, making 266 necessary for a choice.

CARNEGIE PENSIONS TOTTH.

Innocent Man Who Was Twenty Years In Prison Gets \$40 a Month.

Andrew Carnegie has placed upon his private pension list Andy Totth, who was released from the Western penitentiary at Pittsburgh, on March 18 after having served twenty years of a life sentence, having been wrongfully convicted of participation in the killing of a watchman at the Edgar Thomson Steel works, Braddock, Pa., on New Year's eve, 1890.

Mr. Carnegie became interested in Totth and asked F. M. Wilnot of the Carnegie here fund commission to look into the matter.

Mr. Wilnot made an investigation and found that Totth had been one of the rioters on the night in question, but that he had been convicted on very slender evidence.

Mr. Carnegie when he left for Europe in May instructed Mr. Wilnot, if neither the state nor county gave aid to Totth and he would go back to Hungary and join his wife, to arrange to have him placed on his private pension list at \$40 a month.

WOMAN'S HIGH POSITION.

Miss Kelly Will Be Assistant Director of the Mint.

Miss Margaret V. Kelly of the mint bureau of the treasury department is the highest salaried woman in the government service. Miss Kelly, who has been chief clerk of the mint bureau at a salary of \$2,250 a year, was recently appointed by Secretary MacVeagh as examiner of mints in the bureau, virtually assistant director of the mints.

In this new position, in addition to drawing \$3,000 a year, Miss Kelly will be acting director of the mints of the country in the absence of George E. Roberts, the director. She will have charge of all the mints and direct their immense business at any time the director is absent.

EDISON'S TRIP ABROAD HIS FIRST IN 22 YEARS

The Inventor Says He Goes For a Rest and to Worry.

For the first time in twenty-two years Thomas A. Edison is making a European trip. With him went his son, Charles, and in London Mrs. Edison and their daughter, Miss Madeleine, will join them. The family will make an automobile tour of the continent and will pass seven weeks in France.

"Have you anything new up your sleeve?" he was asked before sailing. "No," he replied. "I have just finished something new. My talking pictures are complete. Two hundred sets of them have been made, and they are wonderful."

Mr. Edison had been working for some time upon a device to make the moving picture machines and the phonograph take each other's hands and furnish a combined entertainment.

"I shall not lecture while abroad," he continued. "I am going for a rest, and if I meet any of the distinguished persons of the other side it will be quite by accident. You know, I want to go away and worry for awhile. You see, over here I have been too busy to worry, and I had to cut my usual Florida trip in the winter for work. Now I am going to worry a little for a change."

"Are you working with the aeroplane any?"

"No, I am not. Thirty years ago I took up the aeroplane, but could not get an engine that would do the work. I did invent an engine. I made one with gun cotton as the explosive instead of gasoline. Since then I have never fooled with the subject."

PENSIONS FOR AGED.

Berger Would Aid All With Income of Less Than \$6 Per Week.

A bill to pension the "veterans of industry" was introduced in the house by Victor L. Berger, Socialist member from Wisconsin. Attached to the measure is a radical clause forbidding the supreme court of the United States to pass upon its validity.

The bill provides for a pension of \$1 to \$4 a week for every person more than sixty years old who has an income of less than \$6 a week.

"The old working men and working women," declared Mr. Berger, "are entitled to a living outside of the poorhouses and without the aid of private charity. If the old parties and the supreme court do not realize that fact they will be wiped out of existence, together with the old constitution."

It is the belief of the Socialist representative that his old age pension bill is constitutional. "But some of the capitalist supreme court justices may hold different opinions," he said. "The bill furnishes a good opportunity for testing the power of the federal courts to annul necessary legislation passed by congress."

Mr. Berger asserts that through a thousand ways the country spends a greater amount to relieve the destitution of the aged than his bill asks for. "It is time now," he says, "that we meet the problem in a scientific and economical way."

LIVES ON 26 CENTS A WEEK.

Athlete Offers to Show Editor How He Keeps Down His Bills.

To prove a man can live comfortably and be healthy, happy and strong on 26 cents a week for food, George H. Ward, seventy-three years old, a long distance walker, has invited the doubting editor of a Connecticut newspaper to be his guest for one week. Mr. Ward said that in three years he has eaten only cereals, potato chips, crackers and peanut butter. His budget last week:

Oatmeal	12c
Crackers	15c
Peanut butter	4c
Flour	3c
Tea	2c
Total	36c

Mr. Ward is hale and hearty. The ruddy glow of youth is in his cheeks. His step is elastic and all his faculties are unimpaired. A year ago he walked from Middletown, Conn., to New York city and back in fifty-seven hours, eating only a half pound of peanut butter and half a pound of crackers on the journey.

Mr. Ward says if the editor accepts his invitation to board with him a week he will make a new man of him in the seven days and pay the 26 cents himself.

A walk of four miles before breakfast every morning is part of Mr. Ward's program. He drinks only tea and water.

SCORNS CLOTHES.

Monosyllabic Marvel Has Gone Nude For Sixty-one Years.

A strange man named John Castellow has grown to be sixty-one years of age, hale, hearty and happy, without ever wearing a stitch of clothing and without ever using a single word but the monosyllabic "Gee."

He lives four miles east of Windsor in Bertie county, N. C., and his health is perfect, not having missed a meal in fifty years. His body is normal and well shaped, but his strength is prodigious. He can break a double plow line as easily as if it were a cotton cord. He is gentle and has never been known to hurt a living soul intentionally. He cannot speak a word except the one monosyllabic "Gee," which he uses in various intonations to express all his desires and emotions.

SINCLAIR ON HIS DAY IN JAIL

He Didn't Eat, Sleep or Drink For Eighteen Hours.

WORKED ON THE STONE PILE.

Author Was Imprisoned For Playing Tennis on Sunday, Thereby Breaking the Delaware Laws—Experience Suggested a Poem—His Comments.

Upton Sinclair, the author, who served a jail sentence of eighteen hours for violating the blue laws of Delaware by playing a game of tennis on Sunday, did not eat or drink during his incarceration. During the day he worked on the prison stone pile along with forty other prisoners, white and black, and at night lay on the stone floor of the steel cell without a blanket. He declared the food was too vile to touch and that he was afraid of the water.

He did not close his eyes throughout the night. Instead the soundings of the place and the moanings of many of the 337 convicts inspired him to compose a poem. This he did mentally. Subsequently between loads of stone that he dumped from a wheelbarrow into a stone crusher he wrote it out line at a time. The lines are appropriate to the night in jail and are entitled "The Menagerie." The presence of "unwelcome visitors in the cell that Sinclair occupied suggested the circus-like name. The poem reads:

THE MENAGERIE.

Oh, come, ye lords and ladies of the realm;
Come from your couches soft, your perfumed halls;
Come watch with me throughout the weary hours.
Here are there sounds to fill your jaded nerves,
Such as the cave men, your forefathers, heard
Crouching in forests of primeval night.
Here, tier on tier, in steel barred cages pent,
The beasts ye breed and hunt throughout the world.
Hark to that snore—some beast that slumbers deep.
Hark to that roar—some beast that dreams of blood.
Hark to that moan—some beast that wakes and weeps.
And there in sudden stillness hark the sound—
Some beast that rasps his vermin haunted hide.
Oh, come, ye lords and ladies of the realm—
Come, keep the watch with me; the show is yours.
Behold the source of all our joy and pride,
These beasts ye harness fast and set to draw
The chariots of your pageantry and pomp.
Called It a Lark.

"It was nothing more than a lark," Sinclair said. "The experience was one of the most interesting I have ever had. I will write about it." The author laughed when he narrated his work in the prison quarry. "I wheeled 100 wheelbarrows of stone to the crusher, worked seven hours, wore the regulation jail garb and had two baths."

Sinclair lost three pounds while in jail. "This," he explained, "was due to the fasting."
A number of times while talking with newspaper men he declared: "And this for playing tennis on Sunday. It makes me feel like blowing up some one with a bomb." He did not say who that "some one" might be.

The principal comment that the author had to make was on conditions at the workhouse. He continued: "Oh, those bestial faces! I never saw such a parade in my life. We were forced to march to the eating room with our hands folded and to eat in silence. I did not eat. The workhouse has a sweatshop that beats any in New York a mile. The convicts never get out of doors, never see the sky. Their faces are covered with boils, and there are all kinds of evidences of tuberculosis. It makes a man realize what the world really is."

"I am the picture of health, but I do not think I could live in that jail two months. It is absolutely impossible to ventilate the cells, and the convicts suffer as a result."

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When warm the day;
The outdoor game
You love to play;
The tempting dish
For feasting shown—
Let them alone!
Let them alone!

The sparkling spring
Where germs may lie;
The early fruit
Within the pie;
In martyrdom
May bid you groan—
Let them alone!
Let them alone!

But most of all
Avoid the man
Who always does
Whatever he can
To make the day's
Discomfort known—
Let them alone!
Let them alone!

—Washington Star.

SAYINGS OF JESUS IN EXHUMED WRITINGS.

Unconventional Gospel Discovered by Egyptian Explorers.

A new unconventional gospel of Christ containing many utterances of Jesus which are today unknown to the world is believed to have been discovered through the work of the Egyptian Exploration fund, according to an official announcement issued from the Boston headquarters of the fund. Enough ancient writings have been dug up to furnish material for twenty large printed volumes.

Professor Bernard P. Grenfell and Professor Arthur S. Hunt are at present engaged in the work of translating the mass of uncovered papyri. Professor Whittemore went to Egypt several months ago on the strength of subscriptions made by wealthy Bostonians and others. He succeeded in completing the work of opening and recovering the long hidden treasures from one of the mounds through special permission of the khedive.

The bulk of the fragment concerns a conversation between Jesus and a chief priest in the temple at Jerusalem. The translation is in part as follows:

"But give heed lest ye also suffer the same things as they, for the evildoers among men receive their reward not among the living only, but also await punishment and much torment."

"And a certain Pharisee, a chief priest, met them and said to the Saviour, 'Who gave thee leave to walk in this place of purification and to see these holy vessels when thou hast not washed nor yet have thy disciples bathed their feet? But, defiled, thou hast walked in this temple, which is a pure place, wherein no other man walks except he has washed himself and changed his garments; neither does he venture to see these holy vessels.'"

"And the Saviour straightway stood still with his disciples and answered him, 'Art thou, then, being here in this temple, clean?'"

"He said unto him, 'I am clean, for I washed in the pool of David, and, having descended by one staircase, I ascended by another, and I put on white and clean garments, and then I came and looked upon these holy vessels.'"

"The Saviour answered and said unto him: 'Woe ye blind who see not. Thou hast washed in these running waters wherein dogs and swine have been cast night and day and hast cleaned and wiped the outside skin, which also the harlots and fute girls anoint and wash and wipe and beautify for the lust of men, but within they are full of scorpions and all wickedness. But I and my disciples who thou sayest have not bathed have been dipped in the waters of eternal life which come from—but woe unto the!'"

Here ends the translation.

PORTRAITS OF SPEAKERS.

Women Painted Them at \$500 Each. Ready For Hanging.

Oil paintings of all the speakers of the house of representatives will soon be hanging in the lobby of the house at Washington. Portraits of many of the speakers have been acquired in various ways, but last winter a resolution was adopted for the painting in oils of portraits of the eighteen speakers not so immortalized. Sixteen of these pictures are now ready, and the other two will soon be. This will complete the list, with the exception of Speaker Cannon, who presided when the resolution was adopted, and Speaker Clark, who has served since then. Steps have already been taken to procure their pictures also.

Frank D. Millet, secretary of the fine arts committee, has passed on the portraits. A price of \$500 a picture was decided on as the charge, and four women were among the candidates for the awards. They are Ellen Day Hale, daughter of the late Rev. Edward Everett Hale; Rebecca Polk, a descendant of Speaker Polk; Lucy M. Stanton, a descendant of Speaker Stanton, and Kate F. Edwards, a descendant of Speaker Cobb.

PRODUCES "HUMAN" HAIR.

Record Clip on Texas Ranch to Be Used For "Switches."

F. O. Landrum of the Neuces canyon, near San Antonio, Tex., has just produced in one clip mohair twenty-eight inches long, which sold for a little over \$6 per pound and brought a total of \$115. This mohair, it is said, will be used by the makers of hair goods to produce beautiful switches of real "human" hair.

This highest grade of mohair is very fine and silky and has a beautiful natural wave. While theoretically the idea of the hair of a goat being used to adorn women is repulsive, practically when the mohair is treated and dyed an expert could not distinguish it from the real article.

Landrum owns one of the most famous goat ranches in Texas. Admiral Togo, the wonderful Angora imported from South Africa, is the head of the flock. It is he who produced the mohair which four years ago was made into cloth and fashioned into a pair of trousers for President Taft. These trousers were presented to him by the Publicity league of San Antonio and worn by him at the inauguration.

Wireless in the Arctic.
Future north pole seekers will be interested in the announcement that the Norwegian government will establish a "farthest north" wireless station in Spitsbergen for the benefit of arctic explorers.

Cards and Card Playing.

In a paper in the Journal of the Royal Society of Arts Professor H. Cheney, discussing the part played by gambling in magic, observes: "The use of cards is said to be derived from the Turot cards, which were originally employed for occult purposes. The legend which ascribes the invention of cards to the purpose of amusing a mad king does not seem at all a sufficient explanation, and there is in addition the fact that cards of a kind existed before the said king. In further support of this idea the well known practice of telling fortunes by cards may probably be regarded as a survival of a regular form of divination by such means. It seems, in fact, that card playing for stakes is a mere development of a ceremony in which individuals consulting the oracle decided to abide by its pronouncements as to the holding of disputed property."

Conferring a Title.

While he was governor of Kentucky Proctor Knott sent to the Hon. Stoddard Johnston a certificate, officially signed and bearing the impress of the great seal of the state, duly commissioning him as "Mister," which he said was a distinctive and honorable title that no Kentuckian had ever previously borne.

Lost and Found—A Heart.

Nothing seems so hopelessly lost, when it is lost, as a heart; yet nothing, when it is lost, is by the experience of the centuries so absolutely certain of recovery.—Puck.

The Comeback.

Skinflint—I have no money, but I will give you a little advice. Beggar—Well, if yer ain't got no money yer advice can't be very valuable.—Christian Advocate.



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