#### DEBATE ON TREATY

Subterfuge to Discuss Measure in Open Senate

#### BY THE WAY OF RESOLUTIONS

Executive Sessions Behind Closed Doors Will Follow Exhaustion of Discussion-Republicans Wink at Policy of the Democrats.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.-The Senate has no programme for the week beyond a continuation of the debate on the Panama question. The fact that the Gorman resolution of inquiry was disposed of fast week does not change the situation except that it makes necessary a new

This will be supplied in the resolutions of inquiry to be introduced tomorrow as the result of yesterday's conference of Democratic Senators. A number of ad-dresses are still to be made on both sides of the controversy and it is quite certain that the debate will continue for many

It is well understood on both sides of the It is well understood on both sides of the chamber that in reality the treaty and not any particular resolution is being discussed, the reason being that the treaty liself could not be discussed in open Senate, whereas the resolution can be. The Democrate prefer an open discussion of the question and the Republicans, as a matter of policy and in the interest of the expedition of the vote on the treaty, have not objected.

have not objected.

When it becomes apparent that the discussion in open results is exhausted, executive sessions will be ordered and the Senate will proceed behind closed doors, It is quite well understood that the amendments to the treaty report by the committee on foreign relations will be withdrawn before final action is taken.

Army and Emergency Bills in House. WASHINGTON, Jnn. 24—The House will devote practically the entire week to consideration of the Army and urgent deficiency appropriation bills. The former is now before the House, and Chairman Hemenway, of the committee on appro priations, has given notice that the latter mousewill be called immediately on the disposal of the former.

Priday will be private calendar day. Op-portunity will be given each day, imme-diately on convening or just before ad-journment, to secure action upon minor measures, but any bill which is likely to precipitate debate will not be permitted to come before the House during the pen-dency of the two appropriation bills men-

The Army bill is being read under the five-minute rule in committee of the whole for purposes of amendment and thus far less than one-third of its provisions have been considered. Unless some of the paragraphs become subjects of extended disasion, final action can be had on the bill one more day.

#### Programme of the Democrats.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.-Considerable missionary work was done among Demo-cratic Senators today, the result being that all have agreed to act unantmously in seeking to obtain all possible informa-tion and secure an investigation of the Panama revolution by the foreign rela-tions committee.

tions committee.

The decision agreed upon by the Demo-cratic sauces makes it mandatory upon the President to send to the Senate as a confidential communication all the cor-respondence relating to the Hay-Herran treaty. The phrase invariably employed, "If in his judgment not incompatible with the public interests," will be omitted. A search has been made of precedents, and it was found this expression is not em-ployed where the matter is to be precived. ployed where the matter is to be received in executive session. The Republicans are expected strongly to oppose the resolution for this reason.

The resolution for investigation in-

structs the foreign relations committee to investigate and ascertain whether any encouragement was given the Panama revolutionists prior to actual secession, and through what department officials this encouragement was conveyed by the this encouragement was conveyed by the President. The Democrats believe the Senate has a right to subpena Secretaries Hay, Root, Moody, their subordinutes, and Army or Navy officers, and Mr. Bunau-Varilin, the Minister of Panama. It is regarded as certain that the Republicans will refuse to permit any investigation.

In view of the President's desire that the causal treaty may be adopted without

the canal treaty may be adopted without any amendment, representative Senators are considering the advisability of having a commercial treaty negetiated between the United States and Panama, covering the United States and Panama, covering all matters not satisfactorily arranged in the pending canal treaty. The commercial convention would complete the work and leave nothing for future disagreement between the two nations.

The committee on foreign relations will be asked by resolution to investigate Panama Minister Bunna-Varilla's connection with the research of the contraction of the co

tion with the treaty negotiations, but it is not believed that the majority in the Senate will order the investigation. It has already taken the position that its own hands are clean, and that it has nothing to do with the pority of action of the revolutionary government in Pan-

Senator Burrows, of Michigan, as chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, will tomorrow or Tuesday ask by resolution that his committee he di-rected and judicially empowered to inves-tigate the charges against Senator Reed Smoot, the Mormon elder. A brief discussion may ensue.

## Plan to Investigate the Church.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The present plans of the Senate committee of privi-leges and elections are to conduct a thorough investigation of the Mormon Church in connection with its inquiry regarding the charges against Senator

resolution which Chairman Bur-The resolution which Charleman authority from the Senate to make an investigation asks for sufficient funds to defray the expenses of a subcommittee. It is intended to send this committee to Utah and examine witnesses.

The sentiment of the privileges and elections committee in almost unautmous in

The sentiment of the privileges and elec-tions committee is almost unanimous in including in the investigation the exist-ing attitude of the Mormon Church toward the decirine of polygamous mar-riage and the Federal laws forbidding it. Up to this time Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, alone has contended that the in-quiry be restricted to personal charges against Mr. Smoot. The remainder of the committee agree that the church should be included in any investigashould be included in any investiga-tion. The full plan for conducting the inquiry, its scope and extent, will not be determined by the committee until after the Senate has granted the necessary au-

#### Mirza Hurries to Mecca.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. M .- Mirza All Anger Khan, Prime Minister of Persia, who arrived here yesterday from the Orient to route to Mecca, left today on the overland-limited for Chicago. On account of his anxiety to reach his desti-nation, the Persian Minister lost as little time as possible. He said be would be unable to accept any attention from the

He will spend a day in Chicago and a

day at Ningare Falls and will sail from New York on Saturday of next week.

TORPEDO BOATS WILL SAIL Leave for Gibraitar Monday on the Long Voyage to Manila.

LAS PALMAS, Canary Islands, Jan. 7.— The United States cruiser Buffalo and the torpedo-boat destroyers Decatur, Baln-bridge, Barry, Chauncey and Dale, under command of Lieutenant Lloyd H. Chan-dler, which arrived here January 6, sailed for Gibraltar Monday morning.

Destruction of the Cotton-Boll Weevil WASHINGTON, Jan. 34.-The Secretary of Agriculture has approved the plans for the cotton boil weevil investigation in the Southwest, for which an appropriation of \$250,000 has been made available.

Secretary Wilson believes that the best methods for meeting the ravages caused by the bell weevil will be to put into actual practice the facts which have been ulated by the department during the past two years in the matter of improving culture conditions, the pinnting of early maturing varieties of cotton, substitution of other crops, etc.

Philippine Trade on the Increase. WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The Philippine trade statistics of the Insular Bureau of the War Department show that the imrts during the eight months ended Au-et, 1968, aggregated \$22,366,580 and exports \$67,313. These figures are exclusive of coin and Government supplies.

The aggregate of exports and imports is an increase of almost \$5,00,000, over four-fifths of which may be credited to alignments from the archipelago, the hemp and copra output being especially large.

#### \$5000 FOR A MARCH.

That Amount Paid for "The Gondoller."

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.-The new intermezzo murch two-step, 'The Gondoller,'
which has bounded into high popular
favor, has just been sold by a Chicago
publisher to Shapiro, Remick & Co., pro-prietors of the Whitney-Warner Publishing Company, Detroit, for \$500 cash,
"The Gondoller" is an exceedingly
prightly and catchin composition, and the
Whitney-Warner Company have been showered with congratulations from orchestrn leaders, who excern "The Gon-delicr" as fully equal to "Hiswatha," "Bedelia," "Soko," and other striking musical bits. All the good things in music are being absorbed by the Whitney-Warner Company, who are now the largest publishers of popular music in the world.

#### Rates to the St. Louis Fair.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 34.-A convention of the Transcontinental Passenger Associaupon at the convention will be the pro-mulgation of World's Fair rates from the Pacific Coast points to St. Louis .

James Charlton, chairman, stated to-night that he is confident satisfactory low rates will be established to enable a rep entative Western attendance at the

#### Excursionists Enjoy Their Voyage.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Jan. 14.—The Hamburg-American Line steamship Prinzess Victoria Luise, Captain Ruser, which salled from New York January 9, with 150 American tourists aboard, arrived here this morning from Curacao.

The steamship experienced rough wenther while crossing Caribbean Sea, but all of her passengers were well and are en-joying the trip. The vessel will sail to-morrow for Santiago de Cuba.

#### Pope Wrote His Signature.

ROME, Jan. 24.-Right Rev. Stephen Rivelle, Bishop of Sandhurst, Australia, was received in private audience by the pope today and presented to the pontiff Mrs. and Miss Loughborough, of San Francisco, who brought with them a photograph of the pope, to which he affixed his signature at their request.

#### Towboat Sunk: Crew Is Missing, CINCINNATI, Jan. 24.-The ice around

Coney Island gave way tonight and sank the towboat Adelle at Brown's Landing, together with a barge of coal. The loss is \$15,002 Three men employed on the Adelle are missing and are supposed to have been

She-Don't you believe that 'a soft inswer turneth away wrath? He-Oh, yes. Oftener however, wrath frightens away a soft answer, -Kansas City Journal.

Plea of the St Louis Exposition Managers.

CARS WILL BE VERY SCARCE

Officials Beg Domestic Exhibitors to Send Along Their Goods as Fast as They Can Obtain the Cars.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24.-The Louisland ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24.—The Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company stands ready and is waiting for the full and general installation of exhibits. The point has been reached where the management of the Exposition is no longer occupied with the rapid advancement toward completion of the buildings, but instead it new lays particular stress. instead, it now lays particular stress upon the importance of the speedy ahip-ment of exhibits, especially those as-sembled by domestic exhibitors. Officials of the Exposition make the

statement to the Associated Press that the one thing of paramount importance to insure the anticipated successful and auspicious opening of the World's Fair is the immediate commencement by domestic exhibitors to ship cars as rapidly as can be had.

Owing to the unprecedented participa-tion by both foreign and domestic exhib-itors, vast amounts of exhibits have been and now are in course of arrangement and collection. The time for the open-ing of the Exposition is rapidly approach-ing, but apparently the knowledge of the fact is not causing the shipment of ex-hibits to be rushed forward with the promptness and despatch that is abso-lutely essential to insure rapid delivery of the cars to the World's Fair site, and to avoid possible congestion in the handling of the cars after they have

reached St. Louis.
The World's Fair management has devoted more than ordinary attention to preparation for the handling of cars and the arrangements are now completed. Adequate railroad facilities are ready, the warehouses have all been erected and all the buildings are in such a state of completion that installation of exhibits

competion that installation of exhibits can be commenced immediately.

What the management now most ar-defity desires is the prompt shipment of exhibits from the different arts of the country, to begin immediately. Other-wise, if there be delay, congestion in traffic handling after St. Louis is reached is almost an assured condition. is almost an assured condition.

It is estimated that from 25,000 to 30,000 At is estimated that from 25,000 to 25,000 ears of domestic exhibits alone will reach St. Louis during the last of March and the fore part of April 20, it is said it will be difficult to handle this enormous influx of freight at the last moment. Already foreign exhibits are on the way upon the water, and foreign countries are conthe water, and foreign countries are concentrating their endeavors to have their exhibit shipments arrive early, to secure prompt handling and delivery at the World's Fair grounds, enabling more de-liberation and thoroughness in the in-stallation in the buildings.

It is urged by the management of the Fair that domestic exhibitors take heed of the importance of immediate shipment and commence forwarding cars without further delay, thereby enabling prompt and efficient service in delivery to the Exposition site and avoiding the conges-tion that is said to be certain to occur if shipments are delayed until the last ent prior to the opening of the Ex-

#### FIRE DESTROYS NORWAY TOWN Inhabitants Become Panicstricken, and Lose All Their Property.

AALESUND, Norway, Jan. 24.—The fire which swept over this town yesterday morning destroyed every building in it with the exception of the hospital. The il.600 inhabitants of Aalesund were compelled to camp in the open, as only a few damaged and uninhabitable houses were left stanting. The children of the town

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Gold crowns, \$\mathbb{E}\$; full set teeth, \$\mathbb{E}\$; bridge work, \$\mathbb{E}\$; gold filling, \$\mathbb{H}\$ up; silver fillings.

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#### New York Dental Parlors

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pline became out of the question; no excesses, however, were committed. The people first endeavored to save some of their property, but they soon found they had quite enough to do to save their

own lives.

The destruction of the town was plete within a couple of hours from the time the fire started. Over 20 steam fishing boats and many sailing smacks were sunk in the harbor in order to save them from the finmes, but three steamers and many smacks were burned. It is believed now that only three persons lost

their lives.
Succor has arrived from Molde, Bergen and other places, and provisions are being distributed. Relief committees have formed and have invited public sub-

scriptions.

The King and Queen of Sweden and Norway have contributed \$1500 to a relief fund and all the other members of the royal family have also subscribed. A majority of the inhabitants of the town lost everything they possessed and only in a everything they possessed and only in a very few cases were the damages covered

very few cases were the damages covered by insurance.

Thousands of persons had to spend 24 hours in the open fields, where they were without food and exposed to a bitterly cold wind and a driving rain storm. Survivors of the calamity tell terrible stories of the suffering of the people of Aalesund, although they report that the

casualties were marvelously small considering the extent and fury of the fire and the flerceness of the hurricane which swept the city. The authorities even managed to rescue all the patients confined in the hospitals before the latter caught fire from the sparks and were fanned into reging flames by the wind, finally consuming them. Two patients died from the shock, however.

The wall of fire that went before the blasts of the storm moved with such rapidity that is astounding the people were not cremated by the thousands in the onrush of the destroying flames that de-stroyed the entire town. Twelve thousand inhabitants are homeless and suffering from the intense cold.

The German government is also hurry-ing immediate necessaries to the island on the Hamburg-American steamer Phoe-nicia and the North German Lloyd steamship Weimar. Both vessels are bringing German halp from Hamburg with provi-sions for 4600 and a hospital contingent. The Kalser today personally directed the arrangements for the equipment and sali-

arrangements for the equipment and sailing of the steamers.

Eye-witnesses of the conflagration of yesterday relate tales of the terrible sufferings of the refugees who fied in terror to Syllevik, the nearest town, which is six miles away. Several vessels from Molde and other places made unsuccessful attempts to rescue the refugees, but they were unable for a long time to approach the wharf, which was a mass of slowing. the wharf, which was a mass of glowing

#### Hurricane Fanned the Flames.

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 24.—The national government has taken up the relief work in behalf of the sufferers in the town of Auleslund, off the Norwegian coast, where

left standing. The children of the town had to be boused temporarily in the church at Borgund.

The panic among the people was so great after the outbreak of the flames of the only chance to save even a little that all attempts at leadership or discl- property. The only theory so far advanced

#### PEBRUARY RED BOOK SALE HERE.

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# Last Week: January Sale

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Women's \$25 to \$37.50 Suits at . \$12.50 \$1.75 "Consuelo" Kid Gloves at . \$ 1.05 85c Imperial Waist Taffeta at Women's 50c Lace Lisle Hose at. \$ Men's High-Grade Furnishings at Half

### 50c Lace Hose 29c

#### This item will bring an added luster to our fame as hosiery sellers. Details-Women's fast black, lace lisle hose, beautiful new patterns, high-spliced heels and all the other little kinks that go to make up hosiery perfection. Display in Third-Street Window.

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Six more days during which you can buy the world-famous Arnold-Constable Guaranteed Black Taffetas at less than regular prices.

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\$12.50

Every one of these suits is the finely-tailored handiwork of the best manufacturers of the country. They sold freely all season at their regular prices, \$25 to \$37.50. There are only one or two of a kind, yet aff sizes in one sort or another. Choice today of any of them at the sacrifice price of ......\$12.50

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Therefore, intending purchasers are assured of procuring what is latest and best. Every woman who reads this announcement will know that we will not have one Fall Suit in stock when the Spring season opens.

The reason for this is very plain, since values as those told of in the headline will find new owners for every one of these Suits before nightfall today. Every woman knows that there is no other store in this city whose stock is in a like

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## Rainy-Day Skirts, Great Special \$2.35

An entire table piled high with what is undoubtedly the very best value ever offered hereabouts at the price. Details-

Ladies' Rainy-Day Skirt of heavy melton cloth, made in the new seven-gored flare shape, three double rows stitching around bottom and wide stitched bands at the hips and front, trimmed with small buttons. Colors black, navy, Oxford. Sizes from 38 to 42

of their danger. Many ran into the streets in their night clothes, and thus spent hours of torture in the bitter cold. As the fire spread and the people saw their

homes going up in smoke, they ran hither and thither, half demented, not knowing how to protect themselves. Many women and children fainted from exposure and the excitement, and some who have become deranged mentally are still wandering through the ruined city, if they have not fallen unconscious, to freeze to death. Today relief is pouring in from all parts of the surrounding coun-

There was a frantic scene in the harbor during the progress of the fire, and a number of vessels were sunk to prevent their burning. In response to an appeal issued through the press the quays at Bergen are crowded with goods offered for the relief of the homeless sufferers. and two steamers have already been sent off. The damage is estimated at \$1,000,000.

#### COMING OF THE DIX.

Bringing of Government Transport to Portaind Shows Many Things.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 24.—The action of the War Department in ordering the transport Dix sent to Portland, and the award to Portland firms of the contracts for hay and oats to be shipped to the Philippines. demonstrates two things. Primarily, it shows that the War Department is not prejudiced against Portland. It shows that the new Quartermaster-General is not discriminating in favor of one locality and against another. It shows that the Quartermaster's office is being con-ducted on business principles, and that the most favorable terms are being accepted. But furthermore, it demonstrates what can be accomplished when the Oregon delegation is earnest and persevering in its efforts in behalf of the business firms of their state. Year in and year out, since the Philippines became American territory, Portland has been continu-ally struggling to secure a share of the Government business. Each time bids on Philippine contracts have been opened, the Oregon delegation has been requested to use its influence to see that Oregon bidders were given a fair share of the business. But never before has the delegation taken up a matter of this sort with such determination, as it did when bids were opened for hay and oats for the

Philippines.

The members of the delegation, and especially Senstor Fulton, were not content with writing letters, but made repeated calls on the Quartermaster-General in behalf of Portland bidders. They recorded in convincing General Humeral in behalf of Fortland bidders. They succeeded in convincing General Humphrey that the terms offered at Portland were more advantageous to the Government than those offered in San Francisco or on Puget Sound.

But the delegation is to be further congratulated upon having the Dix sent to Portland. In the last administration, when General Ludington was at the head of the Quartermaster Department, great

of the Quartermaster Department, great objection was raised in sending the Dix to Portland. And the Department's objec-

In behalf of the sufferers in the town of Aaleslund, off the Nerwegian coast, where a fire and a hurricane raged at the same time.

Two fire engines were consumed. Water mains were destroyed or rendered useless, and thus the fire department was bereft of the only chance to save even a little of the led to agree the property of the settempt at checking.

The bells of the city warned the people of the led agrees. Ways real first the sustained. This time, however, ness houses at Sour Lake and got into the delegation demonstrated to General Humphrey that steamers of as great draft as the Dix were constantly entering the Columbia River, and on this showing an effective attempt at checking.

The bells of the city warned the people of the city warned th General Humphrey decided to send the transport to Portland to load. Some of the minor officials objected to this and insisted that the Dix could not reach Portland. It was the same old objection that has been raised by subordinates for three years or more, but acting on the assurances given him by the Senstors from Oregon, General Humphrey over-ruled his subordinates and ordered the Dix to Portland. Had it not been for the butters of Senstor Market and Senstor S insistence of Senator Fulton and those who co-operated with him, the Dix would never have gone to Portland, and had the forage been delivered at some other city the bids at Portland would not have been as low as San Francisco or Puget Sound, and Portland would have lost out all around.

> Pedestrian Schilling at Monte Carlo. MONTE CARLO, Jan. 25.—George W. Schilling, who left Pittsburg in August, 1897, on a bet that he could walk around the world in seven years, arrived here Saturday. Schilling has previously been reported on his walking tour from Japan, India and South Africa.

Buildings Destroyed at Sour Lake. HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 24.—Fire today theater is erected in Chicago it might be lestroyed several blocks of frame busi-named the Pelse.

#### Duke of Anhalt.

DESSAU, Duchy of Anhalt, Germany, Jan. 2t.—Friedrich, Duke of Anhalt, died at Castle Ballenstedt today, aged 73 years. He suffered an apopleptic stroke yesterday. Appointed to High Office.

TEHERAN, Persia, Jan. 24.-Prince Ain Ed Daouleh, son-in-law of the Shah, who hitherto has filled the position of Minister of the Interior, has been appointed Grand Vizier and Prime Minister,

Boss Murphy Takes a Rest NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, has gone to Mt. Clemens, Mich., for a ten-

Mariborough Hill Stranded. LONDON, Jan. 24.—The British bark Mariborough Hill, Captain McMillan, from San Francisco for Leith, is stranded six miles south of Bridlington, Yorkshire.

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MARS-MISSUS, WON'T YOU PLEASE HELP AN OLD MAN WHAT'S LOOKIN' FOR WORK?