

PROSPECT FOR BUSY WEEK IN CONGRESS

Future Legislation Depends on Action of the House During the Week.

Washington—A busy week is in prospect for both houses of Congress and it is likely that before the week ends the calendar will be cleared for several of the important matters now pending and the date fixed for the final adjournment. The president has cancelled all out-of-town engagements for the near future and will probably remain in the capital until the session ends.

The situation in the House is the key to the entire tariff tangle in Congress. Upon the action of the House this week rests the possibility of further tariff legislation at this session. Speaker Clark expressed confidence that a wool bill would be agreed on in conference and that it would be signed by the president. Other House leaders, however, adopted a more pessimistic view of the president's attitude and expect him to veto any wool bill framed by the present Democrat-Insurgent Republican coalition in the Senate.

Coalition Threatens General Revision.

The coalition of Democrats and insurgent Republicans which bowled over the regular organization and passed a compromise bill for the revision of the woolen tariff by 48 to 32, flushed with victory, is threatening not only to pass the so-called "farmers' free list bill," as it came from the House, but to put through a cotton bill as well. The insurgents want the sugar and steel schedules included in the program.

Two-Thirds Vote Lacking.

In the event the president should veto the final conference wool bill, the Democratic leaders will begin calculations as to whether the bill can be passed by the House over the president's veto. The Underwood bill passed the House on June 29 by a vote of 220 to 190. But to pass over a veto two-thirds of the House membership, of 291 must vote for the bill. This would be 281, or 41 more than went on record for the original bill in the House. There is nothing so far to warrant counting on the master of any self-added strength.

It is clear that the House will not be in a hurry to ask for a conference. The Senate wool bill, when it is taken up in the House, will be promptly rejected and sent back to the Senate. It will remain for that body to ask for a conference committee.

Entrymen May Take More Land.

Congressman Mondell has just secured from Secretary Fisher a very important interpretation of the 320-acre homestead law, making it possible for entrymen who have taken less than the maximum under that law to enter now additional land up to the full amount. Heretofore the Interior Department has held a directly opposite view.

New instructions, embodying the changed interpretation of the law, will be sent to all land offices. Members of Congress have received thousands of complaints from entrymen who desire to take up additional tracts under this law, who have only filed on 160 acres.

National Capital Brevities.

The government has decided to appeal the Harriman merger case to the United States supreme court.

Fines of \$500 to \$5000 for each offense for sending intoxicants from one state to another are provided in a bill introduced by Representative Jackson, of Kansas.

Unsatisfactory conditions in the national banks, according to Controller of the Currency Lawrence O. Murray, are due, in nearly every case, to the failure of the directors to direct. In a letter to the national bank examiners, just made public, Murray implied them to be more stringent in their examinations.

Young men ambitious to enter the United States army need not depend upon a nomination to West Point. So great is the demand that the Secretary of War has issued a general call, and any young man with good moral standing, and who can produce letters of reference will now be designated for the competitive examination.

A bill prohibiting the employment in any capacity of persons under 16 years of age by the government or any government contractor and providing that special delivery letter carriers shall not be less than 18 years of age, was introduced by Representative Berger, of Wisconsin, the Socialist member.

The Department of Justice is planning immediate prosecution of all trusts or monopolies which do not dissolve or take other steps to obey the Sherman anti-trust law, as it has been interpreted in the Standard Oil, tobacco and powder trust cases. Attorney-General Wickensham is authority for the statement.

H. H. KOHLSAAT



H. H. Kohlsaatt, the Chicago editor, whose statements about a "slush fund" brought on the second investigation of Senator Lorimer.

BRIEF NEWS OF THE WEEK

It is understood the plan of dissolution provides for splitting up the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, the parent company, into 33 companies.

Organization of all western interior shippers to secure from the next session of Congress an absolute long-and-short-haul clause, to apply to all eastern interior points, is advocated.

The University of Wisconsin has decided to establish a department to teach women the principles of home economics and incidentally enable them to save billions of dollars annually.

American intervention as a last resort, it was learned, is the hope now of the Simon government in Hayti, and every effort is being made to get the American authorities to put an end to the revolution.

In accordance with the proclamation of Governor Colquhoun the Texas Legislature began a special session Monday to consider and act upon appropriation measures and the redistricting of the senatorial and representative districts of the state.

Entailing a loss of upwards of a quarter of a million dollars, the big sawmill of the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company at Springfield, Ore., was completely destroyed by fire and 150 men, most of them married and with families, were thrown out of employment.

The board of food and drug inspection of the Department of Agriculture began a series of hearings in Washington Monday in regard to the ingredients used in the manufacture of beer, ale, porter and stout. The hearings will mark the beginning of a searching inquiry that the department proposes to make into the entire brewing industry of the United States.

The distributive rate cases now pending before the Washington State Railroad Commission will be a factor in determining the extent to which Spokane will be able to invade Portland territory or that Portland will be enabled to encroach on Spokane territory. While these cases themselves have no direct bearing on Portland, whatever action the Washington commission takes is likely to be followed by similar action by the Oregon commission.

NEWS OF NOTED PERSONS

Edward M. Shepard, the well-known Democratic lawyer and politician, is dead.

John Barrett, director of Bureau of Republics, is visiting the Pacific Coast.

John W. Gates, the American financier, who has been ill in Paris for some time, is reported worse.

Frederick W. Taylor, of Ohio, has been appointed director of agriculture of the Philippine Islands.

President David Starr Jordan of Stanford University has sent his resignation to Governor Johnson as a member of the fish and game commission.

Eugene McGreevy, one of the Pacific Coast league umpires, has signed a contract with the American association, and will yell decisions on that circuit in 1912.

After three years of hardship, during which the chance he had hoped for to regain his standing in the world had not come, Carey A. Manker, former defaulting banker of Pearl, Ill., gave himself up at San Francisco

A NEW AFRICAN BEAN.

Grows in the Dahomey Region and is Reserved For Chiefs.

M. Augustus Chevallier gives an interesting account of a vegetable of the bean variety which grows in Africa in the Dahomey region. The grains, the size of a very small pea, are formed underground and appear in pods. There is no evidence that this plant is known in Europe. Previously we knew two plants of this kind in Africa, one of these plants being an archid which resembles South American plants, and the other is the voadzeu, this latter being the only species of the genus voadzeu. The third plant which we mention here is cultivated for its edible grains. M. Eugene Poisson, who is familiar with the Dahomey region, pointed out its existence in the interior of the country. Such grains are sold in the markets of Abomey under the name of dot. The author observed the dot plants both in flower and in bearing young fruits and examined the dry grains which the natives obtained for him. The dot plant is a new species of voadzeu.

The pods which are found at the root of the plant carry only one or two grains. When there are two grains these are separated by a complete partition, and the pod is narrower here. From this description it may be supposed that the pod is somewhat like the American peanut, in form at least, although it is of smaller size. As we find for the bean, the dot has several varieties, differing by the color of the grains, and these are often white, but can also be black, red or variegated. The area occupied by the plant is very limited, being only a restricted region in the central part of Dahomey. It can be eaten in the same way as the bean and has a very agreeable taste. Owing to the small size of the grain the production is very limited, and it is reserved for the chiefs or other favored persons. For this reason the Dahomey usage forbids the eating of the grains by women.—Scientific American.

SUPERHEATED STEAM.

How It is Generated and Some of its Peculiarities.

Superheated steam is generated by the addition of heat to saturated steam which is constantly at the dew point ready to revert into water. The behavior of superheated steam is similar to that of gases. It is a very bad conductor of heat and has the special peculiarity of being able to lose a certain amount of heat without becoming saturated or wet steam. The thermal capacity of steam is only 0.48; therefore very little heat is required to superheat steam, but as the steam loses its heat so quickly as it requires it every passage conveying superheated steam must be well covered with non-conducting material. This, of course, does not apply to pipes located in a smoke box or other place where the surrounding heat is greater than that of the steam.

Although there is some loss when using superheated steam on account of heat radiation, it is very much smaller because the loss of heat from superheated steam has lower calorific value than the latent heat of saturated steam.—Railway and Locomotive Engineering.

Early Use of Machinery.

From an early treatise by Moxon published in 1680 in England it is certain at that time the lathe was developed to a point where it was possible to turn out high class ornamental woodwork, including oval shapes, but anything more than this was beyond its power until the slide rest was invented. Devices for clamping the cutting tools in a fixed position were comparatively early, but the first appearance of the slide rest dates from 1772. Complete drawings and details of an excellent slide rest were given in that year in a French encyclopedia. As early as in 1741 Hindley, a York clockmaker, produced a screw cutting lathe with change gears. This, of course, was a very small machine, and, in fact, the clockmakers of that day seemed to have a monopoly of mechanical ingenuity. Attempts to produce machinery to replace the work of human hands were made early. Thus, for example, in 1732 Wyatt endeavored to make a machine for cutting files, but was not successful.

A Giant Electric Motor.

A large motor of 10,000 horsepower and weighing nearly 200 long tons is being manufactured by a dynamo works at Stafford, England. It is to be a self contained unit running in two bearings, and when supplied with a pressure of 920 volts direct current will develop the 10,000 horsepower. The motor is so designed that later an impressed voltage can be raised to 14,000 volts, when it will deal with the maximum peak loads of 15,000 horsepower at ninety revolutions per minute. It has a ventilated commutator with a total length of twenty-five feet and a diameter of twelve feet. This motor is to be used for driving a thirty-six inch cogging and finishing mill and to roll 5,400 pound steel ingots into rails in one operation without reheating.—Consulting Report.

Breechloaders Not Modern.

Breechloading guns are usually supposed to be a nineteenth century invention. There is, however, on exhibition in the shop of a Dublin gunsmith a breechloading rifle which was offered to the British war office at the close of the eighteenth century. It was rejected on the ground that it took too much ammunition.

Real Estate Transfers.

Furnished by Crook County Abstract Company, of Prineville, Oregon.

Oregon & Western Col. Co. to Reva Brink, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 12, Fourth add. Prineville. \$100.

Charles Aitshul and wife to Thomas M. Baldwin, lots 1, 2, 3, block 3; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, block 4; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, block 6, Fourth add. Prineville. \$1190.50

Madras Townsite Co. to Robert Rea, lots 13 and 14, blk. 33, Palmain. \$1.

M. A. Robinson to K. Dean Huston, lots 5 and 6, blk. 5, Ashwood. \$600.

Patents received from the United States to Kate Cram, James E. Sawhill, James Bryden, Addie Bryden.

Ed W. Mason to Deschutes R. R. Co., 50 ft. square in S. E. cor. of n.w. 1/4 sec. 1-11-13 and right of way across n.w. 1/4 sec. 2-11 13. \$1.

G. L. Paxton, et ux to Deschutes R. R. Co., strip in s.w. 1/4 sec. 7-10-14. \$37.50.

John H. Schakel to Wm. H. Hobbs, lot 12, blk. 45, Redmond. \$300.

Perry Read, et ux to Henry Montgomery, n.w. 1/4 sec. 27-12-15. \$1300.

Bertha H. Rowlee and hus. to Ada R. Johnston, tract in s.w. 1/4 of n.w. 1/4 sec. 27-17-12. \$400.

Redmond Townsite Co. to J. R. Woods, lots 11 and 12, blk. 4, Redmond, \$350.

John W. Horgan, et ux to Oregon & Western Col. Co., w. 1/4 n.w. 1/4 & w. 1/4 s.w. 1/4 sec. 10-14-18; e. 1/2 n.w. 1/4 & n.w. 1/4 s.w. 1/4 sec. 18-13-11. \$1900.

Ona W. Triplett, et ux to J. L. West, 100-ft. square in n.w. sec. 32-17-12. \$650.

W. J. McGillivray to Lytle Townsite Co., tract in n.w. n.w. sec. 32-17-12. \$1.

Central Oregon Irrigation Co. to J. W. Brewer, et al, lots 1 and 2, blk. 35, Redmond. \$4000.

K. Dean Huston, et ux to James W. Lawler, w. 1/4 n.w. 1/4 & s.w. 1/4 n.w. 1/4 & s.w. 1/4 n.w. 1/4 & n.w. 1/4 s.w. 1/4 sec. 6, and s.w. 1/4 sec. 7-17-17. \$1.

The Bend Co. to H. J. Overturf, lot 5 & s.w. 25 ft. of lot 4, blk. 10, Park add. Bend. \$1.

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