

THE HEISTAND INQUIRY

COMMITTEE REPORT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE. No Reflection Cast on Any Officers of the Government Whose Names Were Connected With It.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The open session of the Senate today was devoted to routine business. After an adjournment session the Senate at 1:30 P. M. adjourned until Monday.

Cockrell reported from the committee on military affairs the results of the Heistand inquiry that was conducted during the session. The report contains a concise statement of the facts in the case as brought out by the inquiry, and casts no reflection upon any of the officers of the government whose names were mentioned in connection with the case.

The committee finds that the charge made in the first paragraph of the preamble to the resolution is not true, the facts in that connection being that Colonel Heistand was a member of the 10th Volunteer Infantry, a scheme for establishing a manufacturing plant in Manila for the manufacture of cigars was proposed by Major E. L. Hawke, who had been Major of the 10th Volunteer Infantry, a scheme for establishing a manufacturing plant in Manila for the manufacture of cigars was proposed by Major E. L. Hawke, who had been Major of the 10th Volunteer Infantry.

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That of Shaw Speedily Acted Upon. Some Dispute Over Payne's. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The Senate in executive session today considered the nomination of L. M. Shaw to be Secretary of the Treasury; of Hon. H. C. Payne, to be Postmaster-General, and of W. S. Graham, to be Surveyor-General of California.

Permanent Census Bureau. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The Senate committee on commerce today agreed to recommend the passage of a bill introduced by Senator Hale to create a permanent Census Bureau.

DANISH ISLAND PLANTERS Say Sugar Industry Will Be Ruined If the Sale Is Not Consummated. ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., Jan. 9.—The following telegram, signed by a large number of planters of the Danish West Indies, was sent from the Danish Island of St. Croix to the Minister of Finance and the Rigsdag at Copenhagen January 9.

CHINESE EXCLUSION BILL. Pacific Coast Delegations Decide to Grant Hearings. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The Pacific Coast Senators and Representatives in executive session today decided to grant hearings to the Federation of Labor and to a Pacific Coast delegation now here, before determining finally on the bill which is favored.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. Senate Committee Will Favorably Report Nelson's Bill. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The Senate committee on commerce today authorized a favorable report on Senator Nelson's bill for the creation of an executive department of the Government to be known as the Department of Commerce.

BLAMES SPOONER BILL

ONE CAUSE OF LACK OF PROGRESS IN THE PHILIPPINES. Secretary Root Said the People Would Be More Orderly if They Had Employment.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Secretary Root gave an interesting exposition of the condition of affairs in the Philippines, together with the outlook for terminating military by civil rule, in the course of a hearing today before the House committee on military affairs, in connection with the Army appropriation bill. The meeting was behind closed doors, and no exact statements of Mr. Root's remarks were given out, although the following is understood to embody the more essential features:

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The first financial measure of importance to be reported to the House is that agreed upon today by the committee on coinage, weights and measures, providing for the maintenance of the legal tender silver dollar at a parity with gold and for the increase of the subsidiary silver coinage. The measure was introduced by Representative Hill, of Connecticut, and was considered last year in Congress and attracted widespread attention among bankers and financial authorities.

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Urges Repeal of Taxes. NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade and Transportation yesterday, it was unanimously resolved that since the reduction made by the Spooner bill has not decreased the revenue as much as had been expected, and a further reduction might be made without detriment, that the Board of Trade and Transportation urges the repeal of such taxation as has been levied upon the commerce of the country, especially such taxes as are burdens upon the people and do not protect our manufacturing interests.

Presidential Nominations. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate: Secretary of the Territory of Oklahoma—William Grimes, of Oklahoma.

Morgan's Panama Investigation. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The committee on intercommerce canals today authorized Senator Morgan, as chairman of the committee, to appoint two subcommittees of five members each, to make inquiry concerning alleged combinations between the railroads to control charges on the isthmus of Panama.

OUR MINERAL PRODUCTS. For the First Time the Value Exceeds the Billion-Dollar Mark. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The value of the mineral products of the United States in 1900 exceeded for the first time the \$1,000,000,000 mark, according to the Geological Survey report on mineral resources, which has just been released.

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ARBITRARY RATE ON GRAIN

KANSAS CITY SUFFERS FROM DISCRIMINATION. Interstate Commerce Commission Had No Little Difficulty in Drawing Out the Facts.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 9.—The Interstate Commerce Commissioners spent six hours here today, and examined seven witnesses regarding grain rates from Western points to the Atlantic seaboard and other Eastern destinations. They returned to Chicago tonight, after announcing that the investigation would be resumed in that city, where they will continue to receive several big railway officials will be called.

Only three members of the commission heard the hearing. John C. Clements, of Georgia; Charles A. Prouty, of Vermont; and James D. Yeomans, of Iowa. W. P. Trickett, head of the Kansas City Transportation Bureau, the first witness, testified that the firm of Hall & Robinson, of Kansas City, which controls the export grain business of the Missouri Pacific, Mr. Robinson admitted that W. C. Stith, freight traffic manager of the Missouri Pacific, made him a rate on export grain of from 3 to 5 cents per hundred lower than the published export tariff.

MINISTER WU'S ARGUMENT AGAINST THE CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT. NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Wu Ting Fang, Chinese Minister to Washington, gives some of his views on the Chinese exclusion act in a letter to one of the speakers in a debate on the subject, which was held in the Chinese club in New York. Mr. Wu says: "There is no danger that the Chinese will suppress the American laborer, although there has been much talk about the subject."

Suspension of Havana Mayor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Although the officials of the War Department will make no statement regarding the suspension of Miguel Gener from the office of Mayor of Havana, by order of Governor-General Wood, it is learned on good authority that the suspension is a result of the admission of the United States to the Havana market.

Governor of Shaw at Des Moines. DES MOINES, Jan. 9.—Governor Shaw arrived in Des Moines early this morning and was occupied during the day with a great mass of correspondence and the final proofs of his annual message.

Colorado Land Opened. FUEBLO, Colo., Jan. 9.—In compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress, the Pueblo land office issued orders opening up for settlement more than 250,000 acres of land in the southern portion of Las Animas counties.

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DISTRICT-ATTORNEY JEROME COLLECTING EVIDENCE. Poor Ventilation Makes It Impossible for Trains to Discern Lights in It.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Most of those injured in yesterday's New York Central tunnel accident are reported as resting well today. As the District Attorney has commenced an investigation to determine the cause of and responsibility for the wreck, the railroad officials have definitely postponed their investigation, and will present all facts in their possession to the county prosecutor. Another investigation will probably be made by President Cantor, of the Borough of Manhattan.

Anti-British Demonstration. VIENNA, Jan. 9.—A riotous anti-British demonstration was provoked yesterday at the town of Salsburg, in Hungary, on the occasion of the presentation of the British flag to that end.

Fall of a Southern Ex-Governor. BOSTON, Jan. 9.—Admitting that his picture was in the rogues' gallery and that for a period of years he had been familiar with the "lowest depths of New York's opium joints," yet pleading for mercy from the court, Franklin J. Moses, once Governor of South Carolina, was sentenced here today to four months' imprisonment for the larceny of an overcoat.

German Steel Trust. BERLIN, Jan. 9.—The foremost financial authority in Germany, the Frankfurter Zeitung, says the great steelmakers of the empire are forming a combination to include all branches of the steel industry.

Hirsch Will Remain in Chicago. CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—New York will not get the Rev. E. G. Hirsch for its Jewish theological seminar. Mrs. Hirsch said today that her husband had authorized an unequivocal denial of the rumor.

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(Continued from First Page.) dent the diversion to select. No risk would be involved in it. The bill, he urged, needed maturing. It was silent on many points. Were the Army engineers to build the canal or was there to be one gigantic syndicate, whose influence, baleful, perhaps, but certainly mighty, would extend over many years? Were the principles of the civil service to obtain or were political considerations to govern?

Criticism Answered. Hepburn answered the criticisms adroitly against the bill during the debate, devoting much time to Cannon. The gentleman from Illinois, he said, demanded clearness and definiteness yet he purposed to support the Morris amendment, which Hepburn pointed out was vague and indefinite. He had imputed bad motives to no one but he believed that forces were working for delay.

Addressing the Democratic side, he read the plank in the Kansas City platform pledging the party to the Nicaragua Canal for rates to be amended. He said, in my opinion, the most respectable declaration in the platform. "There are reports in the air," said he, "that any letchman bill will have a rough and ready character. It is not to be expected that the sentiment of certain persons of potency is against it. What will be the moral effect of this House, by a practically unanimous vote, indicates its purpose."

Vote on Amendments. The bill was read for amendment under the five-minute rule. Shackelford (Dem. Mo.) offered an amendment to authorize the President to determine the route of a canal by the Nicaragua and Panama routes, if the property and franchises of the Panama Company could be procured for \$40,000,000. He explained that the amendment was offered in response to an offer upon after consultation between himself and Morris (Rep. Minn.) and Parker (Rep. N. J.), who had given notice that they would offer similar amendments.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 9.—Night Watchman David Pailin, of the Southern Railway, reported this morning that an attempt was made last night to enter the bank, and that he fired through the door and drove the robbers away.

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