

PAY OF COMMISSION

Senate Decides on Lump Sum for Each Member.

STATEHOOD BILL DELAYED

Quay Sifts a Breeze by Attacking Oklahoma Bill and Declaring for Immediate Vote on Omnibus Bill—Leaders Gain Time.

The Senate late yesterday afternoon passed, with several amendments, the bill fixing the compensation of the anthracite coal strike commission, and it now goes to conference. Sentiment was strongly in favor of allowing the members of the commission who are not employees of the Government a lump sum for their services, and after much debate \$4000 was settled upon as the proper amount, thus taking the matter out of the hands of the President.

Several other amendments were adopted, fixing the expenses of the commission and the assistant recorders at \$10 per day, and leaving the question of the amount of salary of the assistant recorders and employes to the commission. The name of the commission was changed to "Anthracite Coal Strike Arbitration."

An amendment by Daniel of Virginia, intended to prohibit officers in the civil or military branches of the Government from serving on commissions or performing duties other than called for by law, provoked a lengthy discussion, and in response to appeals of Allison and Hear was finally withdrawn.

At 2 o'clock the statehood bill came up, and there was a brisk exchange between Quay and the members who oppose it. Quay and Hear said they were ready to vote. Beveridge, Lodge, Hale and others protested against the bill so soon after it was reported, and it went over until Monday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—After disposing of some other business today, the Senate took up the bill to provide for the payment of the expenses and compensation of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission. The bill was discussed at length by Senators who opposed making an appropriation for a lump sum, and who thought the salaries should be fixed. While Mr. Allison was explaining the bill, Mr. Tillman and other members of Pennsylvania had been trampled under foot, and so, why had not the Attorney-General enforced the anti-trust law. Mr. Allison said he could not answer the question, but said he believed Congress had the power to deal with the great questions growing out of the combinations of capital commonly known as trusts.

Mr. Allison offered a substitute for the commission amendment, fixing the compensation of the commission for expenses, which provides that the members shall receive \$15 a day each, the assistant recorders \$10 a day each, and the other employees of the commission \$5 a day in lieu of traveling expenses.

Mr. Berry (Ark.) offered an amendment providing for a salary of \$4000 per annum for the commissioners, and the payment of actual expenses, instead of a per diem. At 2 o'clock the bill was displaced by the statehood bill, Quay saying he felt compelled to do so, upon consideration of the admission bill presented by Beveridge, chairman of the committee on territories, asked that the bill go over. He said few Senators were ready to proceed today, as there had been little opportunity for Senators to inform themselves, the committee report not being presented. Quay offered to let the bill go over if a time was fixed for taking a vote.

Mr. Daniel finally withdrew the amendment.

The bill was further amended by changing the name of the commission to the "Anthracite Coal Strike Arbitration," and when the Senate met, Quay (Pa.) presented resolutions adopted by the Five Civilized Tribes of Indian Territory, protesting against joint statehood with Oklahoma.

A bill was passed allowing Consuls-General, Consuls and commercial agents who are not allowed to trade, the actual expenses of office rent, not exceeding \$1000 per annum; also a bill refunding certain tonnage taxes on the steamers Santiago de Cuba, Santiago, Cienfuegos and Olinda, at the port of New York.

At 5 o'clock the Senate held a brief executive session, when it adjourned until Monday.

COINAGE FOR PHILIPPINES.

Senate Committee Favors Gold Peso as Unit of Value.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Senate committee on Philippines discussed with Vice-Governor Wright the monetary situation in the archipelago. It was generally agreed that there would be difficulties in changing the currency in the islands. The consensus of opinion was that the unit of value in the Philippines should be a gold peso of 12.9 grains of gold, which is one-half the value of the United States gold dollar, and the peso in silver should be made legal tender of equal value to the units.

Another feature upon which Governor Wright and the members of the committee agreed was that United States currency should not be made legal tender in the islands, as the silver dollar would then be worth twice as much as the peso, containing more than the silver dollar, which would encourage counterfeiting of the United States dollars.

Governor Wright said the extension of the American currency system to the islands would cause a violent financial disturbance. At present the Mexican dollar is in circulation at their bullion value, and the banks were manipulating them so as to make 4 or 5 cents each by handling them. Gold was held in the banks as a commodity, and bought by merchants and others who had to pay their foreign obligations in gold. The banks entered into agreement with General Otis to fix the value of Mexican dollars at two to one, and General Otis then rescinded the order prohibiting the further importation of Mexican coin. Governor Wright added, however, that the banks refused to accept the interpretation the commission placed on the agreement with General Otis.

The committee intends to perfect the currency bill at the earliest moment, and has begun to make amendments with that end in view.

MORE LABOR IS NEEDED.

Steamship Manager Pleads Against Educational Test for Immigrants.

LIMIT TO THE CONTEST

HOUSE ALLOWS FORTY DAYS FOR WAGONER-BUTLER CASE.

Stipendous Frauds Alleged in Re-Election of Unseated Representative From Missouri.

The House yesterday devoted practically the whole day to the discussion of the bill to limit the period of taking testimony in the Wagoner-Butler contested election case to 40 days, and finally adopted a resolution to that effect by a party vote of 155 to 118.

The purpose of the resolution is to permit the House to pass upon the case as this session. Under the regular method of procedure, several months are given to the preparation of a contested election case.

Mr. Butler, the sitting member in the Twelfth Missouri District, was unseated at the last session, and again returned at the last election to fill the vacancy. He had 1000 plurality on the face of the returns, but the returns are contested.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—After the House had set aside Sunday, January 25, for paying tribute to the memory of the late Representative Charles Russell (Conn.), Omister (Pa.), of the committee on election, No. 2, called up the bill which

limits the period for taking testimony in the contested election cases of Wagoner vs. Butler from the Twelfth Missouri District. The sitting member in this case was re-elected to fill a vacancy created by the action of the House in unseating him at the last session. At the November election this year Omister was elected 600 plurality on the face of the returns. His opponent charged "systematic and stipendous frauds," and the election committee reported the resolution to shorten the time for taking testimony in order that the House might pass upon the case before the expiration of the session, March 4 next. Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, raised the question of consideration against the report. The House voted, 155 to 114, to consider the report. Pending its consideration, Wadsworth (N. Y.), reported from the committee on agriculture a bill to appropriate \$1,000,000 to eradicate the foot and mouth disease among the livestock in New England, and gave notice that he would call it up tomorrow.

Richardson then made the point of order that the report of the committee on territories was directly in the teeth of the Federal statutes fixing the time for taking testimony, and was not privileged. The Speaker ruled that the House having voted to consider the report, the point of order came too late.

Omister, in support of the report, admitted that the statutory provisions fixed the time for taking testimony, but contended that the national provision making the House the judge of election of its members was above the statute. Robinson (Ind.), on behalf of the minority, offered a substitute for the resolution, which provided for the appointment of a sub-committee of five members to go to St. Louis and investigate the circumstances attending the election.

NEW LAW FOR CATTLE EXPORTS.

Bill Gives Agricultural Department Power to Issue Certificates.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The bill reported to the House today by Representative Wadsworth, from the committee on agriculture, carrying an emergency appropriation of \$1,000,000, also invests the Secretary of Agriculture with power to issue certificates of health for cattle to be shipped after the department has found these shipments to be free from infection, to transport their cattle from one point to another in the United States, without further inspection or exaction of fees of any kind.

BILL AGAINST MONOPOLIES.

Forbids Them to Ship Products into Other States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Representative De Armond today introduced a bill providing that it shall be unlawful to ship from any state or territory, through or into any other state or territory, any manufactured article sold for shipment or intended to be sold, unless every article has stamped on the cover containing the words: "No monopoly product. Produced in open competition. Maximum penalty of \$1000 fine or one year's imprisonment, or both, is provided for violation of this provision. It is provided, further, that articles not thus marked may be confiscated."

MOROS ATTACK PERSHING

Attempt Midnight Surprise, but Are Repulsed Without Loss.

MANILA, Dec. 11.—A force of Moros attacked Camp Victoria, island of Mindanao, on Tuesday, after several days' inactivity. They were repulsed without loss on the American side. The Moros approached stealthily at midnight, but the American sentries were alerted. The entire force was called to arms and drove off the attackers.

SHOT BY HIS OWN MAN.

Constable Hendrix Treacherously Attacked During a Fight.

MANILA, Dec. 11.—Reports have been received by the military authorities to the effect that Constable Hendrix, who was badly wounded on Governor's street by a shot fired by a Moros, supposedly by a lad named during an engagement, was in reality shot by one of his own men after this action began. The crime was committed by a constabulary sergeant, who shot Hendrix from behind. All the members of the inspector's command then fled.

PEOPLE TURN ON LADRONES.

Philippine Help Government to Gather in the Brigands.

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MAKES PLEA FOR OREGON

IF NOT BARRETT, SEND SOME OTHER OREGON MAN.

Tongue Urges State's Interest in Japanese Trade—Moody Declares Against Choice of Barrett.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 11.—Representative Tongue today called on the President to ascertain whether it was possible that the attitude of the Japanese government was such that a resident of the Pacific Coast, and of Oregon in particular, could not be considered in connection with diplomatic appointments to that country, as has been currently reported in the East. He said that Oregon is very much interested in extending her relations with Asiatic countries, and assured the President that, whatever might be the feeling of the Pacific Coast against the importation of Chinese labor, there was certainly in Oregon no hostile feeling against either the government or people of Japan, but, on the contrary, an earnest desire to cultivate close relations of trade and friendship with that country. He pointed out efforts of the business interests of Portland in that direction. There is, in his opinion, no ground whatever for the Japanese government objecting to a citizen from Oregon as Minister to that country.

If John Barrett, for any particular reason, could not receive the appointment, then Oregon desires to present some other candidate.

The President said that, in selecting a Minister to Japan, he did not consider from what section the appointee might come.

Mr. Barrett has the indorsement of every member of the delegation except Representative Moody, who says that, when Barrett solicited his indorsement for the Chinese mission on the assumption that Minister Conger would resign, he declined to give it, but stated that there were stalwart Republicans who have long been identified with the state, and are much more worthy of such recognition from the delegation. He stated that, if an important diplomatic appointment could be secured for Oregon, there are several conspicuous men in the party who are pre-eminently qualified to fill such a post with credit to the state and Nation, and would scorn the solicitation of indorsements for such an office.

Some of Mr. Barrett's enemies are digging up public utterances he has made in the past, in which he favored restriction of immigration into the United States

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