

CHOOSES AN ENEMY

Roosevelt Appoints Man He Dislikes to Office.

BECAUSE HE IS THE BEST MAN

Humphrey Angered Him as Quartermaster in Cuba, But is Appointed Quartermaster-General Because He Does Good Work.

In appointing Charles F. Humphrey Quartermaster-General President Roosevelt promoted a man he dislikes, simply because he is the best man.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 18.—The President, in nominating Charles F. Humphrey to be Quartermaster-General of the Army, has smothered his personal feelings and appointed a man who had been personally obnoxious to him, simply because the needs of the service seemed to demand it.

When there was a prospective vacancy at the head of the Quartermaster's Department, various candidates were suggested, and Humphrey's name was generally scratched, because it was said the President took the position that any man who would treat another officer as Humphrey treated him during the Spanish War was scarcely fit for so important a place as Quartermaster-General of the Army.

But the President listened to the counsel of friends, it being demonstrated that Humphrey was by far the best-equipped man in the Army for this important place. It was Humphrey who, under most exacting circumstances, hampered by the War Department and by conditions, got the sick troops from Cuba to Montauk Point. After this was accomplished, he went back as Chief Quartermaster of Cuba until that country reached a settled state.

APPOINTMENTS IN OREGON.

Rowland to Succeed Waggoner—New Postmasters Are Named. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 18.—The Oregon delegation has joined in recommending the appointment of John W. Rowland, at present a clerk in the Surveyor-General's office at Portland, as chief clerk of that office, to fill the existing vacancy caused by the removal of Waggoner.

The President today nominated and the Senate confirmed five postmasters in the First Oregon District, all of whom were unanimously endorsed by the Oregon Congressional delegation. They are: Samuel S. Train, Albany; John R. Casey, Ashland; James L. Page, Eugene; John C. Eckman, McMinnville, and Thomas P. Randall, Oregon City. These appointments were recommended by the delegation several days ago, but were held up because of protests, the Postoffice Department having been informed that the people very largely thought no changes should be made until a new Congressman had been elected, as postoffices are always regarded as patronage belonging to members of Congress. The terms of the incumbents in these offices, however, have all expired, and the delegation's wishes were respected.

The President also sent in the nomination of A. B. Thompson as Receiver of the La Grande Land Office, to succeed S. O. Swackhamer.

The Secretary of the Interior has mailed to John D. Daly, recently appointed Surveyor-General for Oregon, his bond in blank, with the request that the same be filled out and returned immediately. As soon as the bond is approved, Daly will be instructed by wire to take charge of the office, relieving Madrum.

Representative Williamson left for home tonight.

DRESSER STRIKES A NAG.

Simon's Protest May Keep Moores in Oregon City Land Office. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 18.—The Oregon delegation has run against an unexpected snag in its effort to secure the appointment of Dresser as Register of the Oregon City Land Office. More than a week ago it recommended Dresser's appointment, but the President did not send in the nomination. This morning the delegation called at the White House to ascertain the cause for the delay, and the President told the members he was somewhat embarrassed. He said that at the time Elbee was ap-

POINTED RECEIVER AT OREGON CITY.

Senator Simon had complained of being discriminated against in the distribution of patronage, and that he (the President) had promised that Simon could name the successor to Moores. He showed the delegation a copy of his letter to Simon to this effect, and said his promise had been called to mind since Dresser had been recommended.

It is not improbable that the matter may have to be compromised by allowing Moores to continue in office, as there would be great opposition by the delegation to the appointment of George A. Steele, who was Simon's choice for the place.

When the delegation left the White House it did not know what action the President would take on the recommendation.

There was some further surprise later in the day when the President sent in the nomination of Thompson as Receiver at La Grande, but failed to nominate Knowles for Register, who was recommended at the same time as Thompson. It is believed some objection has been

VOTE ON CUBA TODAY

SENATORS HAD MORE SPEECHES IN RESERVE.

Flow of Eloquence Continued So Long That It Delayed Action—Agreement to Act Today.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Before adjourning at 7 o'clock tonight, the Senate entered into a unanimous agreement to vote on the Cuban reciprocity treaty at 2 o'clock tomorrow. The hope of seeing a vote today was disappointed by the discovery that there were more speeches to be made in opposition to the treaty than had been counted upon. Indeed, it was difficult to secure an agreement to vote even tomorrow and it was evident that this result could not have been accomplished but for the anxiety of Senators to secure a final adjournment of the session. The executive session covered six hours and was devoted largely to adverse

Furthermore, he declared, the adoption of a policy of reciprocity would lead to retaliation on the part of the nations who might fail to secure the establishment of a reciprocal relation. When for a second time, he asked, would France, our traditional friend among nations, think if we should enter upon reciprocal trade relations with Cuba, and thereby petty the treaty with her looking to the same end? He contended that Cuba is now prosperous, and that it is not necessary that her industries be encouraged by us.

Spooner replied briefly to Newlands, and sharply criticized his policy of annexation. He said that under the Teller resolution the political independence of Cuba had been gained, and that under that pledge in respect to our own obligations this country could take no step looking to any other result. He also urged that the United States is under moral obligation to assist the people of Cuba, and adding that on account of the close relationship existing between the two lands, also because of their geographical proximity, the United States should lose no opportunity to strengthen the ties of commerce and friendship.

Newlands challenged several of Spooner's statements, and the two engaged for a time in a spirited controversy. Replying to Spooner, Teller repeated his opinion that the treaty was intended to benefit the sugar trust and calculated to do incalculable injury to the sugar interests of the United States. But, he urged, the treaty was indefensible, even if the trust would not be benefited, for the reason that it would place a bounty upon the sugar products of our competitor as a sugar-producer. But, had it as from his standpoint, he predicted that every Republican Senator would be found voting for it. What it was that secured their support of such agreements as this and the Panama Canal treaty he did not know, but he was sure not even the eloquence of a Demosthenes or the logic of Lord Bacon would move them from their position.

Without announcing his intention to vote for or against the measure, Nelson criticized it sharply. He replied to Spooner's contention that the United States is under obligation to aid the Cubans, and said that this country had certainly done all for that country that one nation could be expected to do for another.

Cullom made an effort to secure an agreement to fix a time for a vote. Gorman said that he had no objection, but Carmack and Bailey both declared that they were unprepared for naming the hour for taking a ballot. They finally withdrew their objections, and 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon was named for voting.

During the day Nelson offered an amendment placing four imported to Cuba in the 40 per cent reduction schedule and McNery an amendment striking out the article of the treaty providing against any reduction on American tobacco imported into Cuba.

The Senate at 7 o'clock adjourned until 11 o'clock tomorrow.

CUBAN TREATY MAY FAIL.

Amendments by Senate Would Make Practically New Treaty Needed.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—It is said at the State Department that the sharpest kind of work will be required to save the Cuban treaty from total failure if it is ratified tomorrow by the Senate with amendments as proposed. The slightest amendments will require the convention again to be ratified by the Cuban Congress, and while there is little doubt that small opposition will be offered, it is pointed out that the period allowed for the exchange of ratifications expires on the 1st inst. This is a very short space of time in which to complete formalities in Washington and have the treaty acted on by the Cuban Congress.

If there is any failure on this point, a new treaty will have to be drawn or have amendments made, and the process of the legislative branches of both governments, and involve as much work as drawing a new treaty.

NO MORE PROHIBITION.

New Hampshire Votes for Liquor License by Large Majority.

CONCORD, N. H., March 18.—By a vote of 24 to 10, the House of Representatives today put itself on record in favor of a license law in preference to the existing prohibitory system, which has been in force since 1842. The bill reported by the majority was given its first reading.

MISSOURIANS IN CONTEMPT.

Legislators Arrested for Refusing to Testify About Booze. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 18.—The House today adopted a resolution declaring L. L. Page and N. C. Hickox, who refused to testify regarding \$1000 and \$500 bills in their possession before the

POPE LEO'S LAST PRAYER.

NEW YORK, March 18.—As part of his own contribution to the celebration of his 93d birthday and the 25th anniversary of his election as Pope, Leo XIII wrote a Latin poem, which he translated into English for the current number of the Independent. The translation follows:

LEO'S LAST PRAYER.
Leo, now sets thy sun; pale is thy dying ray.
Thou hast succeeded thy day.
Black night for thee, wasted thy frame, I find thee; wasted thy life, I find thee.
No more thy shrunken veins.
Death casts his fatal dart; robed for the grave thy bones
Lie under the cold stones.
But my freed soul escapes her chains,
To reach the realms of light.
That is the goal she seeks; thither her journey bids.
Grant, Lord, my anxious prayers.
That with the citizens of Heaven, God's May ever thrill my sight.
That I may see thy face, Heaven's Queen, whose mother love Has brought me home above.
To thee I have yielded the tangles of a worldly life.
I lift my grateful lay.

boodie investigation committee yesterday, in contempt of the House. The resolution directed the arrest of the two men who were ordered brought before the bar of the House this afternoon for punishment.

BEET-SUGAR MEN WIN THEIR FIGHT.

ST. PAUL, March 18.—After a legislative fight lasting almost from the first of the session, the House today by a vote of 164 to 45 finally passed a bill to permit the bringing of suit against the state for beet-sugar bounties earned under the bounty law of eight years ago, which has been since declared unconstitutional.

Winnipeg Parliament Adjourns. WINNIPEG, March 18.—Sir Daniel McMillan, the Lieutenant-Governor, proposed the Provincial Parliament this afternoon. It likely the elections will be held in July.

Only Themselves to Blame.

OLEAN, N. Y., March 18.—The Coroner has completed an inquiry into the death of the victims of the petroleum explosion on the Erie Railroad here a short time ago, and as a result has found that the railroad company was in no way to blame, the explosion being due to the carelessness of the existing danger and were warned to move back, and that they were the company's property.

PLIMLEY TURNED DOWN

PLATT'S CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE PROVES UNFIT.

President Withdraws Appointment at Last Moment and Appoints Fish Assistant Treasurer at New York.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—President Roosevelt today withdrew the nomination of William Plimley as assistant treasurer at New York, and late today sent to the Senate the nomination of Hamilton Fish to that office. The nomination was confirmed promptly by the Senate.

Mr. Plimley's nomination was confirmed by the Senate the day after its transmission to that body by the President. His commission was made out and signed by the President, but had not been delivered, when, at the instance of Senator Aldrich, chairman of the finance committee, the Senate adopted a resolution recalling the nomination from the President for further consideration. It developed that charges had been made against Mr. Plimley, which the Senate desired to investigate. Protests from important financial interests in New York subsequently were filed with the President against the appointment. Protests also reached the Treasury Department, which also made an investigation. Assistant Secretary Armstrong, of the Treasury Department, had a conference with the President at which it was decided that, in view of the gravity of the charges against Mr. Plimley, he could not be commissioned. The President then withdrew the nomination from the Senate. Concerning the withdrawal of the appointment the following official statement was made at the White House by Secretary Loeb:

"In view of the investigations made by the Treasury Department the President has felt obliged to withdraw the name of William Plimley for assistant treasurer at New York, and this has been done."

President Roosevelt then had a conference with Senator Platt. The Senator suggested the name of Hamilton Fish, of New York, and the President agreed to appoint him. Mr. Fish is a son of ex-Secretary of State Hamilton Fish. He is a prominent lawyer of New York, ex-Speaker of the General Assembly of New York, and a friend of President Roosevelt. The appointment met the cordial approval not only of Senators Platt and Dewey, of New York, but also of many other Senators who are acquainted with him.

IMPOSED ON BY PLATT.

Action Not Ashamed to Reverse.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 18.—The President today withdrew a poor appointment that he had been induced to make by Senator Platt, of New York. The relations between the President and Platt have become quite friendly and an understanding was reached that, as long as Platt would recommend good men for Federal positions, there would be no interference by the President with the New York machine in making his Federal appointments. It so happened that many machine men have been appointed and generally they have been known as "Platt appointments." It was Platt who appointed Plimley to be assistant treasurer at New York, a very important place. The nomination was rushed to confirmation and the commission was almost in the hands of Plimley, when violent protests from people who knew Plimley held it up.

Upon investigation it was found to be a very unfit appointment and, much as the President regretted to displace Platt, he withdrew the nomination. This was a case where the President was too impetuous, as he sometimes is regarding appointments, and he sometimes is very much imposed upon by politicians. The importance of the place merited more consideration than was given it, but the President was willing to retrace his steps when he found he had made a mistake.

Appointed by the President.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The President sent to the Senate today the following nominations: Quartermaster-General, with the rank of Brigadier-General, for a period of four years—Colonel Charles F. Humphrey, Assistant Quartermaster-General. Receiver of Public Money—Asa B. Thompson, at La Grande, Or. Postmasters—Idaho: Thalia L. Owen, Genesee, Oregon: Samuel S. Train, Albany; John R. Casey, Ashland; James L. Page, Eugene; John C. Eckman, McMinnville; Thomas P. Randall, Oregon City. Captain E. B. Montgomery, Signal Corps, to be Major. Captain Montgomery is Chief of the Telegraph Service at the White House.

Sawyer's Appointment Held Up.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The Senate finance committee has decided to hold up for the present the nomination of George Sawyer, of New York, to be Assistant Appraiser of Merchandise. As the committee will not meet again during the present session, this action will insure failure of confirmation for the present session. The result of the committee to pass upon the nomination was due to the fact that members did not consider Mr. Sawyer's endorsements sufficient to warrant confirmation.

Cardinal and President Confer.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, accompanied by Rev. B. J. Stafford, of St. Patrick's Church, this city, called on the President today by appointment. Cardinal Gibbons said that the President had expressed a desire to talk to him concerning some matters which he was not at liberty to disclose.

Edward's Gift to Buffalo Bill.

LONDON, March 18.—King Edward has sent Colonel Cody (Buffalo Bill) a handsome corral pin with the royal cipher in diamonds, surmounted by the crown, as a souvenir of his visit last Saturday to the Wild West show.

Officers Ordered to Fight Deeds.

VIENNA, March 18.—Four Serbian officers, including ex-War Minister Antones, have challenged Professor Alexander Borislavjevic, of the University of Belgrade, to fight duels to the death because he publicly charged them with obtaining

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promotion over their seniors through servility to Queen Druggs. It is said that King Alexander temporarily ordered the officers to send the challenge, and the King's initiative is seriously criticized in Serbia, where dueling is not a national institution.

Telegraphic Brevities.

M. C. Griffin's shoe factory at Pepperwell, Mass., was destroyed by fire early this morning. Two English sportsmen have arrived in the country. They will search in Alaska for a blue or glacier bear. Boston's newspaper man tendered a reception to Lieutenant-General Nelson A. Miles at the Press Club last evening.

Venerable Bank President Dead.

M'CONNELLVILLE, O., March 18.—James K. Jones, president of the First National Bank, and the oldest active bank president in Ohio, is dead, aged 91.

Crown Prince Will Get Well.

CAIRO, March 18.—The German Crown Prince, Frederick William, who is suffering from the measles at Luxor, was much improved today.

Scrofula

It is commonly inherited. Few are entirely free from it. Pale, weak, puny children are afflicted with it in nine cases out of ten, and many adults suffer from it. Common indications are bunches in the neck, abscesses, cutaneous eruptions, inflamed eyelids, sore ears, rickets, catarrh, wasting, and general debility.

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