

HOUSE HAS SAY

Senate Anxious to Adjourn if It Will Agree.

PROGRAMME AS TO CUBA

Vote on Reciprocity Bill Will Come in Regular Session.

PLAN IS LIKELY TO CARRY

If Not, Upper Branch of Congress Will Decide to Take Up No New Business, and Those Who Desire May Go Home.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The Senate will begin the week in a state of uncertainty as to whether a final adjournment of the extra session will be secured during the week, or the regular daily sessions continued. A majority of Senators are anxious to bring the session to a close, and to this end an agreement has practically been entered into for a vote December 16 on the Cuban bill.

The acquiescence of the House of Representatives in the programme, however, has not been secured, and until the two houses reach an agreement no definite announcement can be made. Leading Senators, on the whole, are rather contented with the programme, and say it will be impossible to hold a quorum of either body after Thanksgiving.

The present understanding is that a proposition to set a day for adjournment will be made by the Senate on Monday or Tuesday, whereupon it will be formally conveyed to the House. This will form a basis for negotiation. Thus far there has been no conference between members of the House on the adjournment question. The understanding in the Senate is that a day for taking a vote on the Cuban bill will be fixed without regard to the adjournment of the extra session. The bill will then be reported by Senator Cullum, and he will ask that a day be fixed for the vote, whereupon December 16 will be named, if the present plan is carried out.

If There Is No Adjournment.

When the Republican Senators secure this agreement, they will be comparatively indifferent as to whether the Senate remains in session. They think it preferable that the extra session should come to a close, as many Senators desire to visit their homes before the regular session begins; but if an adjournment is not had, there will be a general agreement among Senators which will render it unnecessary for a majority to remain in Washington. If any considerable number of Senators desire to meet for the purpose of listening to speeches on the Cuban bill, they will be allowed that privilege, with the understanding that no other business shall be taken up. If there are no speeches to be made, the Senate will take frequent adjournments for three days at a time, as permitted by the Constitution, without reference to what the House may do.

After being reported tomorrow, the Cuban bill will lie on the table for a day, unless there is unanimous consent that its consideration shall begin immediately. When it is taken up, Senator Cullum will make a brief speech in explanation of its merits, and after he concludes there probably will be no more addresses by friends of the bill until toward the close of the discussion.

In the meantime the Colorado, Louisiana, Texas and Florida Senators, and probably some others, will make speeches intended to show that the enactment of the bill into law will be injurious to the sugar interests of the United States, and contrary to the best public policy.

Give Out Commitments Today.

In addition to receiving the report on the Cuban bill, the Senate probably will make a reassignment of Senators to committees tomorrow. The committee's announcement is likely to be made the occasion for a speech by Senator Morgan, which is anticipated with considerable interest. In the makeup of the committees, the Alabama Senator will be displaced as chairman of the committee on Indian affairs. He has been chairman of that committee since its organization, and has been identified with it ever since he entered the Senate. It is understood he will review to some extent his connection with the important work, and that, in doing so, he will sharply criticize those who fail to agree with him in advocacy of the Nicaraguan route.

SOME LEADERS OPPOSE PLAN.

House Members Hold the Senate Should Act on Cuban Bill at Once.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The House will meet Tuesday. That body having disposed of the Cuban bill, it has no business before it, and unless an agreement is effected by which the called session is to be brought to an early close, an adjournment probably will be taken until Friday, and then adjournment until Monday or Tuesday. It is suggested that it is doubtful if there will be a quorum Tuesday, and if the point of no quorum should be raised, it would be impossible to act on a concurrent resolution providing for an adjournment, even should one be brought over from the Senate.

Some of the House leaders have expressed themselves in opposition to an adjournment before the Cuban bill shall have been disposed of, but what might be the result of a conference between the leaders of the Senate and House on this position remains to be seen.

It is possible that the Speaker may be ready to announce the committee assignments by the end of the week. If this is done, the House will be fully organized and prepared at the opening of the regular session next month to proceed to business. Members of both sides of the House are mindful of the convention to be held next year, and the desire will be general to rush the work as fast as possible, and in order that the regular session may be brought to a close as early as possible.

FAVORS JOINING AMERICA.

St. Pierre Welcomes Any Change From Present Depression.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Nov. 22.—Senator Lodge's recent declaration respecting St.

Pierre and Miquelon becoming a part of the American republic has excited great interest in St. Pierre. That colony has had the worst fishery season in its history, trade there is depressed and the outlook is gloomy. The people are ready to welcome any settlement of the fishery dispute that will insure them prosperity, and the feeling in favor of annexation to the United States finds much favor.

Would Amend the Homestead Law.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 22.—Senator Gamble, of South Dakota, has introduced a bill which provides that any person who, since June 1, 1900, has made entry under the homestead laws and commuted the same, shall be entitled to make a second homestead entry. This second entry, however, cannot be commuted. The entryman can only acquire title after five years' residence and improvement.

Porto Rico Desires Annexation.

SAN JUAN, P. R., Nov. 22.—United States Senator Newlands' resolution inviting Cuba to become a state of the United States and providing that Porto Rico shall become a province of Cuba has been received with derision by the Porto Rican press and public. The action of President Roosevelt in recognizing the new Republic of Panama is approved everywhere.

Vote to Abolish Quarantines.

PARIS, Nov. 22.—Although the results of the International Sanitary Conference held here have not yet been made public, it is affirmed that a great majority of the powers represented voted for the practical abolition of quarantine measures. The conference decided to establish a permanent international sanitary office in Paris.

LORD ALVERSTONE.

Sketch of President of the Alaskan Boundary Commission.

New York Tribune.

All the counsel engaged before the Alaskan boundary tribunal are enthusiastic in their praise of the manner in which Lord Alverstone has presided over the proceedings. This has been the third time that the Lord Chief Justice has represented England in important international affairs. He shared with Sir Charles Russell, who preceded him on the bench as Lord Chief Justice, the duty of prosecuting the British case in the Behring Sea arbitration in 1893, for which he received the grand cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. He was leading counsel for Great Britain in the Venezuela arbitration of 1899, at the close of which he received from Queen Victoria a Harrovet, an honor rarely bestowed on a law officer, and on his elevation to the bench to succeed Lord Russell as Lord Chief Justice of England he received a peerage, and, of course, a seat in the House of Lords. It would be no exaggeration to say that Lord Alverstone is without exception the most universally popular member of the British bar. To say the title of a popular song, "They All Love Dick," and he is regarded as one of the best and most characteristic types of an Englishman. To begin with, he is absolutely "straight," the very soul of honor, thoroughly simple and unaffected, but still stately and dignified. He possesses a massive frame—the tips of the balance at some 15 stone—covering an unusually big heart, is clean in his private life, even temper, and in his youth was a famous athlete, robust in body as in mind, earnest and thorough in all he undertakes and has a singularly winning and fine modulated voice. It cannot be said that he is pre-eminent as an orator, nor is he a great Parliamentarian, and although his political opinions are strong, nobody ranks him as a great politician. It would even be an exaggeration to say that he is pre-eminent in brilliancy as a lawyer. And yet he stands at the head of his profession by reason of his absolute soundness and because he has the reputation of never permitting prejudice or feeling of any kind to influence his decisions, which are based exclusively on law, equity and common sense. Few English judges or lawyers are better known in the United States than "Dick" Webster, who has frequently visited this country, and whose only son, who died a year or so ago, was married to a girl with American blood in her veins, her mother, Lady Evans, being the daughter of the late Attorney-General, Samuel Stevens, of Albany.

To see Lord Alverstone at his best is to be a guest at Winterfold, his picturesque home in Surrey, and it is difficult to efface from one's mind the memory of the fine big hall, with its galleries of carved oak running round the south and east sides, the burning logs in the old-fashioned fireplace throwing a ruddy glow on the tapestries with which the walls are hung, while seated at the head of the hospitable host, discoursing sweet music on this difficult instrument. Lord Alverstone is an accomplished organist. In bygone days he had a singularly fine voice, and he is the most musical member of the English bench. He lost his wife many years ago and was never married again. Indeed, the bereavements which he has sustained, first through the death of his wife, then by that of his only son, have given a certain note of occasional sadness to a character that is otherwise of the most sunny and genial disposition.

GALE HITS GERMANY

Numerous Lives Believed to Have Been Lost.

MANY SHIPWRECKS REPORTED

Streetcar Traffic at Frankfort-on-the-Main Has Been Suspended—New Four-Story Building Demolished.

BERLIN, Nov. 22.—Communication by telegraph, particularly west of Hanover, has been interrupted by a general storm. All of Western Europe is at present only indirectly connected with Berlin. At Frankfort-on-the-Main, all streetcar traffic has been stopped and trees have been uprooted. A new four-story building has been demolished at Chemnitz. A tug sank at Emden, one man being drowned. Several lighters were sunk on the river Rhine, and it is believed numerous lives have been lost. Seven passengers were seriously injured by the derailing of a train at Bielefeld. Many shipwrecks in the North Sea are reported.

The Hamburg-American Line steamer Deutschland broke adrift at Cuxhaven and sustained extensive damage.

INDIGNANT AT OIL TRUST.

Vienna Urges Authorities to Move Against Increase in Prices.

VIENNA, Nov. 22.—Much indignation is expressed here over the steadily increasing price of oil. Since the formation of the Austro-Hungarian petroleum cartel, but there is not the slightest prospect that these efforts will be successful. Both the Standard Oil Company and the Deutsche Bank are continuing their efforts to come to an agreement with the cartel regarding the German market, but a strong section of the Austrian refiners wish the cartel to remain independent of both parties.

The local authorities of the several districts are urging the City Council to use every means to break up the oil monopoly, but there is not the slightest prospect that these efforts will be successful. Both the Standard Oil Company and the Deutsche Bank are continuing their efforts to come to an agreement with the cartel regarding the German market, but a strong section of the Austrian refiners wish the cartel to remain independent of both parties.

JEWS SET UPON TROOPS.

Russians Attacked While Conveying Six Men to Prison.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 22.—A military order is published here praising the conduct of the troops in what it describes as an affray between the soldiers and a mob at Orsha, in the district of Vilna, November 15. The trouble was the outcome of an attempt by a crowd of Jews to rescue six coreligionists, who were being escorted to prison.

No details of the affray are given, except that the Jews attacked the soldiers with stones and bludgeons and the soldiers defended themselves with the butts of their rifles. The report that a fresh anti-Semitic conflict has occurred at Gomel is denied, but it is stated that rigorous precautions have been adopted in the provinces of Vilna, Kovno and Grodno against revolutionary and anti-Semitic troubles and strikes, which are expected to occur.

Pitchforks Are Weapons of Mob.

VIENNA, Nov. 22.—Grievous peasants of Nagylak, near Nagyen yed, in Transylvania, Friday last, organized a murderous attack on their Hungarian neighbors. The Grotians assembled during the day and armed themselves with revolvers, sticks and hayforks, and at nightfall stoned the Magyar houses and dragged the inmates into the streets. One farmer was beaten to death and most of the Hungarians were injured, many severely.

Insurgents Withdraw.

SALONICA, Nov. 22.—On the arrival of the battalion of troops which was dispatched yesterday from Seres, in Macedonia, to reinforce a Turkish command besieged for two days in the mountains near Spato by a band of 350 insurgents, the latter withdrew. The losses of the insurgents are unknown. Thirty of the Turkish soldiers and one officer were killed and forty-seven wounded.

China Hopeless of Opposing Russia.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—According to the Tien Tsin correspondent of the Mail, China is becoming hopeless of resisting Russia. The Pekin Government, the correspondent says, is in despair, confronted as it is with the need of action, which the divided

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opinion of the Ministers renders it impossible to take. The movements of the troops continue.

Likely to Enter Russian Cabinet.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 22.—The Czar has summoned A. P. Delavolsky, Russian Ambassador at Copenhagen, to St. Petersburg for a conference. It is generally believed he will succeed Count M. Lambsdorff as Minister of Foreign Affairs. The latter has openly expressed his displeasure at the policy pursued by the direction of the Czar in connection with the Russo-Japanese situation and his resignation has been reported on several occasions lately.

Ovation to Cardinal Rampolla.

ROME, Nov. 22.—For the first time since the conclave, Cardinal Rampolla this morning appeared at a public ceremony, officiating at high mass in the Church of Santa Cecilia, his titular church. When Cardinal Rampolla left the church the ovation given him was so great that it was with difficulty he reached his carriage.

Decorated a Deacon.

ROME, Nov. 22.—Dr. B. F. Decosta, formerly an Episcopal minister of New York, who was ordained a subdeacon in the Roman priesthood November 18, was today decorated a deacon by the Bishop of Fiesole, near Florence. Dr. Decosta's health is somewhat improved.

Mystery Surrounds Ships of Japan.

BERLIN, Nov. 22.—A dispatch from Port Arthur says 300 Japanese soldiers, with a few officers, have left Tien Tsin for Japan. The Nagasaki Shimpo, the dispatch adds, announces that a Japanese squadron of 12 vessels has left Jasebo for an unknown destination.

Permanent Arbitration Treaty.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Mail says that during the conference at Windsor Thursday last between King Victor Emmanuel and King Edward a permanent Anglo-Italian arbitration treaty was approved by both monarchs.

No Danger of Food Shortage.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 22.—The officials of the Department of the Interior say there is no ground for the report that the Barr colony at Libbyminster, N. W. T., is in any danger for the lack of food supplies.

STOP WAR TO TALK PEACE.

Santo Dominican Rebels Enter Into Negotiations.

SANTO DOMINGO, Friday, Nov. 20.—Negotiations of a treaty of peace between the rebels and the government of President Wos y Gil has begun. There will be a suspension of hostilities for 48 hours, under an amicable arrangement. It is expected that the rebels will demand that President Wos y Gil announce a general election.

President Offers to Retire.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—A cablegram received at the State Department today from Minister Powell reports that the President of Santo Domingo, Wos y Gil, having offered to retire from office, had agreed that the country should be governed by four members of the Cabinet, this arrangement to be effective pending a permanent settlement of affairs.

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Chicago Street Car Strike Apparently Nears an End.

UNION WAITS ON EMPLOYERS

Arbitration of the Grievances of the Men Who Struck in Sympathy Is Desired—Men Hold a Monster Meeting.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—The strike on the Chicago City Railway is still unsettled.

Peace negotiations, continued today, were confined to the consideration by the board of directors of the road of a proposition submitted to the company last night by the strikers.

A basis of settlement of all the other

differences, it is said, has been agreed upon, and unless the company refuses to accede to this new demand of the union, an amicable adjustment of the whole dispute should be reached not later than tomorrow night.

This new proposition, it is said, provides for the arbitration of the grievances of the unions on the system that struck in sympathy with the trainmen. What action the directors took today on this demand is not known, as the answer will not be given to the union until tomorrow.

Strikers Hold Big Meeting.

While the negotiations looking to peace were in progress this afternoon, a monster mass meeting was held at Tattersalls to plan assistance for the strikers. Nearly every union in Chicago was represented, and it is estimated that fully 15,000 persons were present. The men formed in processions in different parts of the city and marched in bodies to the hall. Several sections of the parade crossed the lines of the Chicago City Railway Company which were in operation, but there were no disturbances or acts of violence, and the paraders reached their destination without mishap. The meeting was addressed by Clarence S. Darrow, attorney for the strikers, Judge Prentiss, President Mahon and several other labor leaders. Resolutions were adopted asking Mayor Harrison to withdraw the police from the cars and declaring for immediate municipal ownership of all lines in the city.

There was a marked increase in the patronage today on the four lines being operated by the company under police protection. There were but few acts of violence, only three arrests being made for interference. No attempt was made to open any of the other branches of the system, but unless a settlement of the strike is reached tomorrow, the State-

street line and possibly a cross-town line will be opened for traffic Tuesday.

The teamsters have become more deeply involved than ever in the strike of the street car men. At a meeting tonight of representatives of all the locals of the union in Chicago, the stand taken last week, when the drivers employed, who were in sympathy with the trainmen and all teamsters belonging to the union, were notified to cease delivery to the traction company, was approved.

It was also decided to call a strike of the teamsters employed in the R. H. Jones Transfer Company, who have been making deliveries to the Chicago City Railway. Tonight's action, it is believed, may result in a general lock-out, or strike, of the 30,000 union teamsters employed throughout the city.

General Strike Order Today.

BOSTON, Nov. 22.—Frank Buchanan, president of the Bridge and Structural Ironworkers' Union, is authorized for the statement that a general strike of bridge and structural ironworkers has been ordered on every contract throughout the country which is executed by any member of the New York Builders' Association or by the Iron League. This strike order will take effect tomorrow.

Arrested for Detaining Woman.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 22.—Charles E. Lemmon, president of the Old Times Distillery Company, and having extensive business connections throughout the country, was arrested this afternoon on the charge of detaining Mrs. Ida Stewart, of Moorehead, Ky., at a hotel here against her will. Mr. Lemmon gave bond and was released. He said he had been guilty of no discourtesy to Mrs. Stewart, but had endeavored to be of service in directing her to a hotel because she was a stranger in the city.

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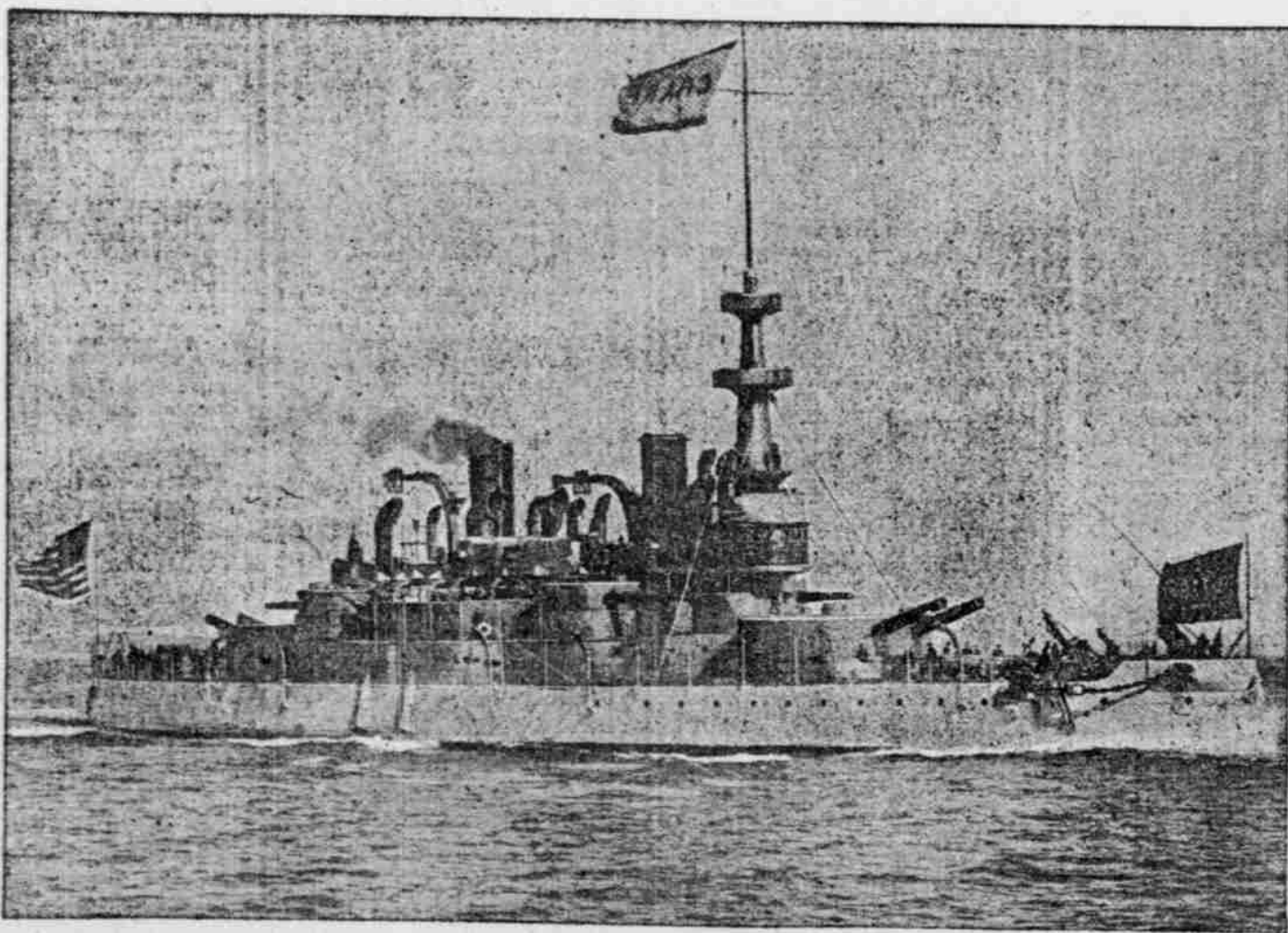
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