

WAR DECLARED BY DEMOCRATS

Williams Says They Will Obstruct House Proceedings.

NAMES LAWS THEY WANT

No Unanimous Consent to Do Anything Until Republicans Show Themselves Alive to Demands of Country.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Determination to conduct a filibuster on all occasions where opportunity presented itself, in order to force the Republicans to action on an employers' liability bill and other measures deemed necessary of enactment was announced by Williams, of Mississippi in the House of Representatives today during the consideration of the agricultural bill. He said he had waited until today to see some evidence of an intention to transact business which the people were demanding, but finding none, had reached the conclusion that the time was ripe to force the hand of the Republican party. The Democrats cheered the announcement.

No More Smooth Sailing.

Williams declared that up to now the Republicans had had smooth sailing. He did not want the country to think that the minority was trying to assume responsibility for legislation. He did not desire to appear as trying to coerce the majority until the Republicans had absolutely demonstrated before the country that they did not intend to do anything at this session. He had, he said, waited for the Republicans to do something.

"I have finally come to the conclusion that the Republican party has forgotten to do anything. It has become the party of passivity and, as far as I can see, has no idea of doing anything—it is plain now that without some method of parliamentary coercion you're going to be deaf to every demand of the country."

Coerce Republicans to Act.

Williams announced that "from this moment on for the balance of the session this is not a lie-aye, wait-on-the-enemy campaign, but coercion is going to be exercised." No recommendation for unanimous consent on the part of Republicans would be granted, unless it be to adjourn or take a recess, until the majority shows that it is sufficiently alive to the demands of the country "to report for consideration in the House such matters as an employers' liability bill, some bill for the publicity of campaign contributions, a free wood pulp and free print paper bill and a bill against ex-parte injunctions acting as a supersees of law passed by a sovereign state.

Sulzer Tries to Get Even.

"By way of getting even" with the Republicans, who yesterday, by a strict party vote, ordered his speech of last Saturday expunged from the Congressional Record, Sulzer, of New York, today offered a resolution to strike out of the Record the speech of Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, of March 18, on the subject of the rules of the House. The resolution also provided that as a substitute "the speech actually delivered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania" be printed.

Loud Democratic applause and Republican laughter greeted the reading of the resolution.

Sulzer declared that the speech never was delivered. What happened, he said, was that Dalzell, on March 18, got up and asked permission to extend his remarks.

"What remarks?" he inquired.

"No remarks," he declared, answering his own question.

Sulzer's motion to strike from the record was lost, 213 to 151, many Democrats refraining from voting.

Blow at Dingley Tariff.

Cook, of Colorado, himself a Republican, denounced the action of the Republican conferees on the Dingley tariff bill in placing manganese iron ore on the free list. He declared that this act had practically destroyed the manganese industry in this country and said that much hardship had been inflicted upon the miners of many states.

EAGER FOR NOMINATION

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William J. Bryan for President of the United States. Mr. Dunn is one of the four delegates-at-large selected by the Nebraska convention, and has been identified with Democratic politics in his home state for 12 years. He is a strong supporter of Mr. Bryan, a brilliant orator and an attorney of high standing in Omaha.

During the internal dissensions which have rent the Democratic party from time to time he has managed to strike a happy medium, and now represents a united party in Nebraska. Unassuming and of a quiet disposition, Dunn is, nevertheless, considered equal to the occasion for which he has been selected. He has a well-rounded, clear voice, and will be able to make himself heard in all parts of the big auditorium.

TENNESSEE REPUBLICANS SPLIT

Two Conventions Held and Two Sets of Delegates Chosen.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 24.—The convention of the Republicans for the Third District here today resulted in a split into two conventions. One selected Henry Clay Evans as Provisional Agent, and A. J. Fletcher as delegates to Chicago and instructed them for Tatt; the other named J. W. Payne and John E. Patton as delegates, with no instructions.

HOOSIER DEMOCRATS GATHER

Will Instruct Delegates for Bryan.

May Displace Taggart.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 24.—Over 1000 of the 1300 delegates to the Democratic state convention, which begins here tomorrow, had arrived to-night and were besieged by the 27

candidates for places on the state ticket.

The first session will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock and will be brief. The afternoon will be devoted to the 12 district meetings, at which will be selected members of the convention committee and district delegates to the National convention, 26 in number. The four delegates-at-large will be chosen by the convention Thursday.

In all probability the delegates will be instructed for William J. Bryan for President.

SMITH WILL SUCCEED WHITE

Chosen by Maryland Legislature.

Question as to Legality.

ANAPOLIS, March 24.—In separate session today the Democratic members of the two Houses of the Legislature voted unanimously for ex-Governor John Walter Smith for United States Senator to fill out the unexpired term of the late William Pinkney Whyte. Ex-Governor Smith already has been chosen for the full six-year term, beginning March 4, 1909. It is understood that the legality of the election will be questioned.

SEEMS TO LACK HARMONY

Four Tennessee District Splits and Hold Two Conventions.

LEBANON, Tenn., March 24.—The Republicans of the Fourth District held two conventions here today. The Brown faction nominated A. L. Harrison for Congress and Indorsed Tatt for President. J. J. Hodges and J. E. Oliver were chosen delegates to the convention at Chicago. The H. Clay Evans faction also indorsed Tatt and selected J. P. Renfro and John J. Gore delegate to the National convention.

Arizona Convention Dates.

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 24.—The Democratic Territorial committee has met in Phoenix and fixed May 28 as the time and Tucson as the place for holding the territorial convention to select delegates to the Denver convention. The Republican convention has been called for April 8 at Tucson.

Decatur District for Cannon.

DECATUR, Ill., March 24.—Congressman W. B. McKinley and Hugh Cren were named as delegates to the Republican National Convention by the Nineteenth District Congressional Convention today, and instructed for Cannon for President.

ADMIT STRUT EFFECTIVE

Secretary of Lumber Combine Confesses Output is Restricted.

ST. LOUIS, March 24.—An investigation which may be preliminary to suits of ouster in several states against a number of lumber companies on the grounds that they are in a conspiracy to control prices and stifle competition was begun here today. The investigation follows ouster proceedings recently instituted in the Superior Court by Attorney-General H. S. Hiley, in which 42 lumber companies were named as defendants.

Missouri and Texas are the only two states in the Union that have the power, through enacted legislation, of conducting such an investigation preliminary to contemplated suits.

Assistant Attorney-General Jewell P. Lightfoot is here to listen to the evidence.

The first witness, George Y. Smith, of St. Louis, secretary of the Yellow Pine Manufacturers' Association, and of the National Lumber Manufacturers' Association, said an agreement was made at the World's Fair in June, 1904, by which the product of the member companies of the Yellow Pine Association was reduced 500,000,000 feet in six months from June 1. He maintained that, while the order was effective, there was nothing compulsory.

SIX FIREMEN ARE HURT

Disastrous Fire in Mission in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—Six firemen injured and a property loss of \$35,000 were the incidents which marked a fire at Seventeenth and Valencia street to-night. The men injured were Morris Cunningham, Edward Long, James Feeney, Philip Brady, William Wilson, and James Ledden.

When the firemen arrived the flames were bursting through the roof of the buildings at 241-255 Valencia street, occupied by the Mission Outfitting Company. Before the relay of engines had arrived the fire had spread to the rear of the Marlan apartments. The fire started in the rear of the outfitting company.

With amazing rapidity the flames spread to the apartmenthouse adjoining. There were 64 apartments in the place, and all the occupants managed to escape, although the buildings burned over the rear, lost a part of their personal effects.

Cunningham was fighting the fire in the rear from the roof of the outfitting company, when the roof caved in and he fell. The buildings burned over the property of the Blair estate. The cause of the fire is unknown.

EXPENDITURE ON AMMUNITION.

Some idea of the amount of work being done at Magdalena Bay can be gleaned from the official statement of ammunition expended by the cruiser Tennessee, recently returned from the practice grounds. At preliminary practice the Tennessee used 15,473 pounds of powder and 36,243 pounds of shell, the cost being \$8,909.20.

At record practice the Tennessee used 18,595 pounds of powder and 33,875 pounds of shell at a cost of \$25,742.90. The Tennessee's largest guns are of 10-inch caliber, as against the 12 and 13-inch pieces of the battleships. The ships of the Connecticut type, of which there are five in the fleet, will use up at least one-half more ammunition than the Tennessee, and the older ships of the Kentucky and Illinois type will use a third more.

The fact that the latter ships are 10 years old does not detract from the effectiveness of their fire. No better illustration of this can be had than the fact that the Illinois carries the record trophy for battleships, having won it last year from the Wisconsin. The old ships are constantly being fitted with modern guns and can hit just as hard and as often as the new ones. They have not so many guns, however, nor the speed nor the strength of armor of the latter-day ships, and either the Kentucky and Kearsarge, or the Alabama and Illinois must give way to the Wisconsin and the Nebraska when the fleet leaves San Francisco, July 8, for its tour of the world.

Albany Sets the Standard.

The standard of accuracy at record target practice has been set this year by the cruiser Albany, which made a total score of 125 hits out of 120 shots, at a rate of fire never before attained in the Navy. The Albany, however, has no turret guns of large caliber to bring down the average for rapidity, and no battleship can hope to accomplish all that this little cruiser, which flies the championship pennant of red from her peak, did at the targets.

The stories of the practice work at Magdalena Bay are filled with interest. The little targets are placed at the apex of a carefully measured triangle, across the base of which the ship at practice steams at the rate of 10 knots an hour.

HASTENS WORK; EAGER FOR PLAY

Fleet Makes Rapid Progress With Target Practice at Magdalena Bay.

EXPECTS TO BREAK RECORD

Albany Has Set High Standard for Small Guns—Scenes on Deck While Big Guns Are Firing at Targets.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 24.—Wireless reports from Magdalena Bay tell of rapid progress being made by the 16 battleships of Admiral Evans' command toward the completion of their record target practice. All of the firing so far has been at a range of 1600 yards, or just short of 1000 yards, or just short of one mile. The firing also has been confined to stationary targets, and it is now believed that there will be a change either of range or character of targets during the remainder of the practice. At first it was thought that the Magdalena Bay work of the fleet would include a variety of ranges extending even up to 3000 yards, the maximum for battle practice, with the primary 12 and 13-inch turret guns and moving targets attached to the end of a long towline, but late advice says the gunnery practice will be strictly limited to record work at 1600 yards and at anchored targets 12x12 feet in size.

Arrive at San Diego April 12.

The practice has been under way for more than ten days and the firing has been constant, Sundays not being excluded in the rush to finish as early as possible. Another ten days, it is believed, will see the conclusion of the range work and then will follow a period of coasting and cleaning up for the fetes that await the ships along the hospitable shores of California.

According to present plans, as announced by Admiral Evans, the fleet will leave Magdalena Bay at daylight on the morning of April 12, just one month to a day from the time of arrival within this most favored of Pacific naval bases.

The steaming speed will be raised to 11 knots on the run to San Diego, to bring the fleet to anchor off Coronado Beach at 2:30 P. M., April 14. The run from Magdalena Bay to San Diego is about 600 miles and has been made in 47 hours by many of the cruisers. Admiral Evans will allow a fraction over 56 hours for the trip, however, as he does not desire to tire out the engineers' force.

Test of Speed and Facility.

No official announcement of the records made by the different ships will come from Magdalena Bay, Admiral Evans having decided to send all this class of information in confidential mail communications to the Navy Department at Washington. It will take some time for the fleet ordnance officer, Lieutenant-Commander Ridley McLean, of Admiral Evans' personal staff, to prepare the individual and average records, and it may be that the reports will not go east until after the arrival of the fleet off this port.

Splendid records are looked for, however, as the short range and the fixed targets call for a high percentage of hits under the efficiency attained in recent years by the gun crews of the Navy.

Record practice, which is always carried on at the 1600-yard range, is really a training in speed and facility of firing rather than a true test of accuracy, which principally comes in the battle practice over ranges which vary from 400 to 2000 yards. It is the naval theory that men who can fire straight and rapidly at 1600 yards can be depended upon to fire just as rapidly and with almost the same precision at the greater ranges, where familiarity with the guns means everything. The officer in charge of the range-finders announces the long distance in battle and it is the gunner who first gets his gun trained for the range and sighted upon the object that does the most effective work.

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As the ship approaches the range, the gun-pointers and loading crews are stripped to their waists. Guns are kept trained on the target some time before the signal to begin firing is sounded through the ship, and scarcely have the first notes of the well-known bugle call gone, when the crack of the guns is heard. Strategically enough, it is declared that to the novice the sharp, quick report of the small rifles is more trying on the nerves than the deep-throated roar of the 12-inch guns, whose great muzzles follow with an unmistakable menace from the slanting, elliptical turrets of the modern vessels.

Keen Eyes Follow Shells.

Below decks the magazine crews, far down in the handling rooms, empty charges of smokeless powder from the copper tanks in which they are stored and send them flying up the wiring and hoists. At each tank is opened, the smell of nitre is almost overpowering, despite the fact that the powder still is protected by an airtight bag of heavy canvas. The firing lasts but five minutes. Then the ship turns and steams back in the opposite direction, giving first the port and then the starboard gun crews their turns at the targets.

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"Spit it out, it looks as big as a trolley car."

FLEET TO VISIT CHINESE PORT

Cordial Invitation Accepted—No More Visits to Be Paid.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—The battleship fleet will visit China as well as Australia and Japan and will be home on Washington's birthday, that President Roosevelt will participate in the welcome before his retirement from office, ten days later.

Deciding at the Cabinet session today to accept the invitation extended by China it was also determined that the limit of the social calls has been reached, and that all other invitations, should any be extended, would be declined with appreciation and regretful thanks.

Good Progress With Practice.

An earlier departure than July 8 from San Francisco is being contemplated in arranging the extended itinerary. This, however, will depend upon the repairs necessary when the ships reach that port. Admiral Evans reported today that splendid progress was being made in the target practice at Magdalena Bay. Nine of the ships have already completed their work. These are the Maine, Alabama, Illinois, Georgia, Louisiana, Minnesota, Ohio, Kentucky and Kearsarge. The impression prevails at the department that the fleet and the places taken by the Nebraska and Wisconsin. The two former ships may be in need of overhaul.

The Chinese invitation, which was accepted today, came from the ministry of foreign affairs at Peking through Minister Wu. It reads:

China's Hearty Invitation.

As the American fleet has decided to visit the Far East, the government of the world we have telegraphed instructions to the Imperial High Commissioner of Trade and Commerce in Peking, to make suitable preparations in conjunction with Admiral Sar Chen Ping to welcome the fleet to our shores. We extend a formal invitation for the vessels to visit our ports through the honorable Secretary of State.

In transmitting this invitation through your excellency, we express our very friendly feelings which they entertain toward the American Nation and to reciprocate for the many courtesies which have been extended to the representatives of my country on their visit to this country. You will remember that the Imperial High Commissioner who visited this land three years ago to make a special study of our laws and institutions and I have no doubt that he considers it a special pleasure to participate in arranging the reception to your fleet.

Trusting that your Government will see its way to accept this invitation and assuring you, sir, of my highest consideration. To this Secretary Root replied today:

Root Happy to Accept.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the note of the 23d instant by which the government of the United States the cordial invitation of the Imperial Chinese government for the victory of the fleet to visit China while in the Far East.

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In communicating this reply, I am compelled to add, however, that the arrangements for the cruise are such that it is impossible for it to visit more than one of the ports of China.

It is noted with pleasure that the fleet will be welcomed by his excellency, Tuan Fang, the Viceroy of Nanking, who has graciously recalled to the Imperial Chinese High Commissioners who visited the United States a few years ago.

PLANS FOR SAN DIEGO VISIT

Town Getting Ready to Turn Itself Over to the Fleet.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 24.—In reply to a message of Admiral Evans, Mayor Forward today announced plans extending the hospitality of the city to the fleet. A representative will leave on the Buffalo tomorrow to convey more explicitly the city's plans. The big fleet will approach Coronado at 2:30 on Tuesday afternoon, April 14, in column formation, under full steam, and will anchor in squadron formation. That evening a dinner will be given to the commanding officers at the Coronado Hotel. On Wednesday, April 15, the parade and presentation will take place. Admiral Evans will be landed at the Santa Fe wharf and escorted to the City Park, where he will be presented with the freedom of the city by Mayor Forward and the official welcome of the state by Governor Gillett. Five thousand marine and 16 bands from the fleet are to march in the grand parade.

Inspect New Torpedo Tubes.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 24.—Lieutenant Joseph R. Deffres, one of the men in charge of the United States Government Naval gun factory at Washington, D. C., is in San Diego en route to Magdalena Bay, where he goes to inspect the new torpedo tubes being used for the first time by the battleship fleet. It is the intention of the department to give the tubes a thorough trying out at Magdalena before deciding to adopt them.

Expect Ten Days' Stay.

MELBOURNE, March 24.—In governmental circles it is anticipated that the American fleet will spend 10 days here and an equal length of time at Sydney. The federal and state officials are still uncertain about fixing the exact dates of the visit, as the American fleet will spend 10 days here and an equal length of time at Sydney.

DR. KINNEY IS DEAD

Famous Oregon Physician Falls Prey to Cancer.

MADE GREAT DISCOVERY

Originator of Vaccination Cure for Tuberculosis Passes Away After Operation Fails to Stay Progress of Disease.

OAKLAND, Cal., March 24.—(Special.) The death occurred here today of Dr. Augustus C. Kinney, of Astoria, originator of the vaccination cure for tuberculosis, which has since been perfected by Sir A. E. Wright, the wife—his brother, Dr. Alfred Kinney, has been ailing for a year with cancer and had recently returned from consulting specialists in Europe. An operation performed at Fidelity Hospital two weeks ago was unavailing.

At the dying man's bedside were his wife, his brothers, Dr. Alfred Kinney, of the Oregon Health Board, and M. J. Kinney, a lumberman of Portland, and his sister, Mrs. W. Baynton, of Redlands.

Dr. Kinney was 61 years of age. He came to Oregon from Iowa in 1847, studied medicine at Bellevue Hospital, New York, and for 30 years practiced at Astoria. His funeral will be held in Portland, the body being sent from here tomorrow evening.

Dr. Kinney retired from active practice about a year ago on account of his own illness, and world-renowned specialists did their best for him. He was well known to the medical fraternity of California as one of the most successful specialists in the West for tuberculosis.

CROSSED PLAINS WHEN BABY

Dr. Kinney's Brilliant Medical Career Begun in Oregon Schools.

ASTORIA, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Dr. Augustus C. Kinney, who died this evening at Oakland, Cal., was born at Muscatine, Iowa, in July, 1846. In 1867, he crossed the plains to Oregon, settling in the Chehalis Valley, Yamhill County. He attended school at Forest Grove and McMinnville, later entering Willamette University at Salem to pursue the medical and surgical courses, in which he graduated brilliantly.

He then went to Bellevue Hospital, New York City, for two years, during which time he served on the house staff at the Hospital of Charities and Correction at Blackwells Island. Returning to Oregon he practiced his profession in Portland for a few years and then came to Astoria, his home ever since.

He married Miss Jane Welch in 1866. She still survives and lives with him at the last moment. He leaves two brothers and three sisters, Dr. Alfred Kinney of this city, Marshall J. Kinney of Portland, Mrs. Jane K. Smith of this city, mother of ex-Senator John H. Smith and A. M. Smith, and Mrs. Eliza Plyton of Redlands, Cal.

The body will be brought North, leaving San Francisco tomorrow, and the funeral and interment will be held at Salem on Friday in the family plot, Odd Fellows Cemetery, where his parents are buried.

MOVEMENTS OF CRUISERS

St. Louis and Milwaukee Go to Bremerton—Others in South.

VALEJO, Cal., March 24.—The cruiser St. Louis, Commander Nathaniel L. Underhill, today left for Bremerton Navy-yard, after several days' stay at Mare Island, where she took on stores and provisions.

Under orders to proceed direct to Bremerton, the Milwaukee, Commander Charles A. Gove, will leave at noon tomorrow, stopping at San Francisco a couple of days en route. Like the St. Louis, she will be placed in ordinary at Bremerton and her officers and crew be transferred to other ships. The vessels are required to complete only three weeks out of every three months.

The Charleston is expected here to-morrow, preparatory to sailing for San Diego, the Yorktown is due this week for necessary work to be done preparatory to her being used as a reviewing ship by Secretary of the Navy McLean.

Passes Divorce Law.

PARIS, March 24.—(Special.)—The Senate by an overwhelming majority has concurred in the bill recently passed by the Chamber of Deputies automatically to convert a decree of separation into a divorce at the end of the three years when either party to the separation requests it.

Another Torpedo-Boat Flotilla.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—The fourth torpedo-boat flotilla was established today by placing in commission the Farragut, Fox and Davis, torpedo-boats built on the Pacific Coast. The flotilla will operate in those waters.

THE BUSY MAN OF TODAY

OF TODAY

In order to keep up in the strenuous race for business, a man needs the very best nourishment that he can get. He must start the day well—There is nothing that will give him the added power of physical and mental endurance, or prove more digestible and tasty than

A BREAKFAST OF

"COLUMBIA" BRAND BACON

Cured under the best sanitary conditions, right here in Oregon. Always mild and sweet. Ask your grocer for it, or drop us a postal and we will tell you who near you carries it.

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Wholesale dealers in "Columbia" brand Hams, Bacon and Lard; Government Inspected Meats.

Pioneer Packers of the Pacific

Demonstration of Nemo and Smart Set Corsets

Established in 1850—Fifty-Seven Years in Business
Lipman, Wolfe & Co
Quality Considered, Our Prices Are Always the Lowest

BARGAINS

Just for WEDNESDAY

THESE bargains are not for Tuesday—nor for Thursday—nor for any other day but WEDNESDAY. Not one item in this list has ever been sold at this price. You cannot afford to miss these bargains, for such as these are making "LIPMAN-WOLFE'S WEDNESDAYS" famous in Portland.

NO MAIL OR PHONE ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY BARGAINS

Shirting

MADRAS Shirting, 27 inches wide, white grounds, colored bars, figures and stripes. Regular 18c quality. Just for Wednesday,

1 1/2c

Certain Swiss

5000 yards Certain Swiss, figured and dotted, large variety of patterns, both colored and plain; 15c and 18c qualities,

12 1/2c

Ribbons

ALL silk taffeta Ribbon, all colors, 4 1/2 inches wide. Placed on sale at end of lace section and regular department. 30c value,

15c

Kerchiefs

PLAIN linen, hemstitched border ladies' handkerchiefs, exceptional values up to 20c. On center bargain table and reg. counter.

9c

Cut Glass

YOUR choice of over 200 pieces of the finest cut glass we have ever offered, regular \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00 values.

\$2.18

Petticoats

JUST 50 finest quality Black Taffeta Silk Petticoats, sold regularly for \$7.50. Equal to many \$10 petticoats. Wednesday,