

## CURRENCY BILL TO BE LAST ACT

Will Pass Senate Certainly Today.

## FILIBUSTER FALLS THROUGH

La Follette Cannot Get Any Senator to Help.

## NO HOPE FOR OTHER BILLS

Democrats Will Vote Against Bill, but Are Eager to Go Home. Two Republicans Will Probably Vote Nay.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The anticipated strenuous opposition to the adoption of the conference report on the Aldrich-Vreeland currency bill in the Senate, according to the inference to be drawn from the debate today, probably will not materialize. Aldrich kept the report before the Senate until nearly 4 P. M., when he assented to its being laid aside until 11 o'clock tomorrow, and the remainder of the time today was devoted to the passage of unobjectionable House bills on the calendar. Every Senator realized that the meaning of this move was that an understanding had been reached to vote on the bill tomorrow. Inquiry proved the existence of this understanding, although no positive agreement has been made. The indications are, therefore, that Congress will adjourn sine die tomorrow or Saturday.

## Too Hot to Filibuster.

Unquestionably the temperature, which was higher today than at any time during the present session, had something to do with the indisposition on the part of many Senators to discuss the bill. Palmleaf fans were in evidence among those Senators who found it necessary to be on the floor and at no time was a quorum present except when the roll was being called to establish the quorum. During the morning the Democrats had sweated through a conference lasting more than an hour, at which it was decided not to filibuster against the bill. While the conference had no binding force, the sentiment favored the minority standing together in a solid vote against the bill. On the other hand, it is not likely that more than two Republicans will join the opposition.

## Falls to Arrange Opposition.

The discussion today was opened by Aldrich, who made a brief statement concerning the compromise bill. Some of the Democrats then sought to get an agreement to consider the campaign publicity bill, and afterwards speeches against the currency measure were made by Teller, Newlands and Owen. No other Senators were ready to speak. Aldrich spent most of the day trying to arrange an agreement to vote on the bill tomorrow. This was not opposed by Culberson, the minority leader, but La Follette, who is very much opposed to the bill, asked that the motion for an agreement be not passed. Stating frankly that he believed the Senators who had been captured by the bill, but had met with little encouragement, La Follette said he probably would not speak at length.

## Vote and Adjourn Today.

From the position assumed by him it didn't appear necessary to obtain an agreement to vote on the conference report tomorrow. In fact, it was said that an agreement might delay taking the vote, as Senators were unwilling to fix a time earlier than 5 o'clock, though it is not believed the Senators who want to speak tomorrow will consume the six hours between 11 and 5 o'clock. The first sound of opposition came when Fulton, at Aldrich's request, moved to dispense with the reading of the journal. "I object," yelled Gore, amid Democratic laughter. The fact that Gore had just been in conference with La Follette and had been the only Democrat in the conference to advocate a filibuster, led to the belief that these two Senators intended to fight the bill alone, but they showed no further disposition to carry out such a purpose. Culberson sought assurances of the passage of an anti-injunction bill, but Aldrich said it was impossible on account of the great diversity of opinion. Both Culberson and Beveridge sought to have the publicity bill taken up next, and Aldrich said he was ready to vote for it when the currency bill was passed, but Hale refused to mortgage the time of the Senate.

## NELSON NEARS PORTLAND

Automobile Due in City by 6 o'clock This Morning.

EUGENE, Or., May 28.—Fernando Nelson arrived at Springfield at 10:30 o'clock last night and left north at 11 on the east side of the Willamette. He is encountering no difficulty in Lane County. At 10 o'clock last night word was received that Nelson and party were delayed in a bog in the timber between Comstock and Divide, a few miles south of Cottage Grove. The fact that the auto reached Springfield half an hour later indicates that the delay was not serious. J. B. Kelly, of Portland, who was to drive the machine from Springfield to Portland, had been waiting all evening at the Churchill ranch with gasoline and supplies. Nelson's machine is making 15 miles an hour, and with comparatively good roads he should cover the 123 miles between this city and Portland by 6 o'clock.

## NEW FORECASTER FOR PORTLAND

BEALS WILL BE SUCCEEDED BY FRANK MONTGOMERY.

Change to Be Made in Local Weather Office—New Man Comes From Buffalo.

After long service as forecaster in charge of the Weather Bureau at Portland, E. A. Beals is to be transferred to another station. A special dispatch to The Oregonian from Buffalo, N. Y., announces that Frank Montgomery, first assistant in that city, has been appointed forecaster at Portland. Mr. Montgomery has been in the Weather Bureau at Buffalo three years and is one of the



Senator T. P. Gore, of Oklahoma, Who Opposed Opponents to Compromise Currency Bill.

most valuable men in the service. His appointment was announced by the chief of the service. Mr. Beals is now in the East and has recently been in conference with Willis L. Monroe, Chief of the Weather Bureau, at Washington, on the subject of a change of station. He has been in Portland seven or eight years and the reliability of his forecasts has earned him the confidence of the whole community. It is not yet known to which station he will be transferred.

## PRINCE BEATEN BY REBELS

Islanders of Samos Rise Against Their Ruler.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 28.—The inhabitants of the island of Samos, a Greek island off the west coast of Asia Minor, are in revolt against the Prince of Samos and the Governor of the island. Fighting has been going on at Vathy, the capital, for the past three days and there are numerous victims of the encounter. The trouble appears to have arisen from a conflict between the Governor, Kostas Effendi, and the Senate. The Prince of Samos was seized by the malcontents and beaten. He made his escape. Reinforcements of troops sent from Smyrna were driven back by a fusillade from the shore. The revolting islanders are being aided by the gendarmerie. It appears that the telegraph office has been seized by the rebels, but a dispatch sent from Smyrna dated today declares that the attack on the palace continues and that there have been many casualties. Since 1832 the island of Samos has been an autonomous principality paying annual tribute to Turkey.

## ISLANDERS FEAR MASSACRE

Call on Powers to Save Them From Vengeful Turks.

ATHENS, May 28.—Many men and children fleeing from the island of Samos have reached Smyrna. They represent the situation there to be most critical. It is feared that the Turkish reinforcements now on their way to the island will start a general massacre. A proposal that the powers dispatch warships to Samos is being urged. The principality of Samos exists under the guarantee of France, Great Britain and Russia.

## FACE PERILS IN SIBERIA

American Autoists Narrowly Escape Death by Brigands.

PARIS, May 28.—A special dispatch to the Matin from Nikolai, dated May 28, says: The American car in the New York to Paris automobile race continued along the track of the Trans-Siberian railroad, having had a narrow escape from being run down by an express train, and by falling over a precipice 200 feet in descent, owing to the subsidence of badly laid ballast. Spies of brigand bands that have been captured recently state that the automobilists are in danger of being attacked, as it is believed by the brigands that they are very rich. The German car signalled that it was 60 miles in the lead at noon today.

## Dynamite Big Pipe Line.

EL PASO, Tex., May 28.—Dynamiters yesterday wrecked the big pipeline that conveys water from Bonita Mountains, New Mexico, to Carrizozo, N. M., where all engines of the El Paso and Southwestern Railway system are supplied. Repairs are being made. This pipeline, which diverts the entire water supply of the Bonita River, cost about \$1,000,000.

## ABOLISHES RING RULE IN CHURCH

Presbyterian Assembly Votes for Reform.

## CURBS AMBITIOUS LEADERS

Paid Agents Are Barred From Executive Committee.

## NEW MEN WILL GOVERN

Dr. William H. Roberts, of Philadelphia, Shorn of Great Powers Long Exercised—Position on Divorce Reaffirmed.

KANSAS CITY, May 28.—Church government, temperance and marriage and divorce were the important subjects before the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America today.

By far the most important action of the session was the adoption of a resolution which makes it impossible for any paid agent or member of the church boards, or any permanent officer of the general assembly except the moderator to serve on the executive committee, the ruling body of the administrative department of the church.

The creation of the executive committee was embodied in the report of the administrative body adopted by the assembly and is the direct result of the ever-recurring cry that certain men in the church were acquiring too much power.

## New Men in Charge.

From this time forth new men will be in charge of the government of the church. The action today means that all the church boards will report to the executive committee of 15 members when it has been selected and the government of the church will devolve upon men who have not heretofore served in executive capacities.

While the speeches made before the assembly indicated that half a dozen men were in the so-called church "ring," it is an open secret that Dr. William Henry Roberts of Philadelphia, the retiring moderator, was the man against whom the protests were aimed.

## Loved, but Also Feared.

Commissioners talking about Dr. Roberts said they loved him, but that he was so efficient in the affairs of the church that his very ability gave him more power than one man should have. He has been in the assembly so long, they said, that he had an intimate knowledge of every detail of the church government and practically dominated the business affairs of the church.

The church reaffirmed its position that divorce should be granted only

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## DECLARES SNELL OF UNSOUND MIND

JURY SETS ASIDE WILL OF THE AGED MILLIONAIRE.

Mania for Women Held to Be Evidence He Was Insane When Will Was Made.

CLINTON, Ill., May 28.—At 1 o'clock this morning the jury in the Snell case, having been out six hours, brought in a verdict setting aside the will. The jury was unanimous in declaring its belief that Colonel Snell was of unsound mind.

Colonel Thomas Snell was an eccentric millionaire who in his old age squandered large sums of money on women who pandered to his passions. The chief beneficiary of his will was his grandniece, Maybel McNamara, and the contestant was his son, who alleged undue influence and insanity.

In support of his charges the son produced numerous letters from women, which Snell kept locked in a box in his den. Many of these were so indecent and suggestive as to be unprintable. They came mainly from Mrs. McNamara. Many came from the wife and daughter of a minister at Clinton, and betrayed that the minister had instigated his wife to yield to Snell's passions and that the mother had made her daughter a prey to Snell. It was shown that in the last few years Snell squandered \$200,000 on women.

At the last trial the remarkable letters to the aged millionaire were ruled out and the trial resulted in a disagreement of the jury. Snell's will permitted them to be introduced as evidence at the trial just closed.

## AROUSES MONTANA G. A. R.

Pastor Condemned for Tendering Emma Goldman Use of Church.

BUTTE, Mont., May 28.—(Special.)—As the result of the tendering to Emma Goldman, the high priestess of anarchy, use of his church for her speech in this city next Tuesday night, Lincoln Post of the G. A. R. today rescinded the appointment of Rev. Lewis J. Duncan as its Memorial Day orator. The old soldiers are greatly wrought up, and in a public statement declare that not one of them would attend the exercises if that clergyman delivered that address.

Mr. Duncan, who is one of Butte's most prominent clergymen and at the head of the largest Unitarian congregation in the state, tendered his withdrawal, stating, however, he had nothing to apologize for; that Miss Goldman would speak in his church whether or not he delivered the Memorial Day oration. Rev. Duncan declares he does not intend Miss Goldman and that he is not an anarchist.

## DISEASE IS NOT CANCER

Authorized Statement Made Concerning Cleveland's Illness.

NEW YORK, May 28.—George F. Parker, secretary to the Equitable Life Assurance Society trustees, today gave out a statement in which he said he was authorized by Mrs. Grover Cleveland to deny absolutely the truth of the reports that Mr. Cleveland is suffering from cancer.

Mr. Parker says Mrs. Cleveland is now in Princeton; that Dr. Bryant has not been to Lakewood since Monday and that no other physician is in attendance upon the ex-President.

## FIVE YEARS AND \$576,853 FINE

Sentence Imposed on J. Thorburn Ross.

## JUDGE DENIES A NEW TRIAL

Defendant Takes Appeal and Gives \$6000 Bail.

## CONVERTED STATE FUNDS

President of Defunct Title, Guarantee & Trust Co. Convicted of Taking \$280,000, Which He Was Unable to Pay on Demand.

## ROSS' CONVICTION SALUTARY.

The sentencing of Ross to a substantial term in jail will have a most wholesome effect. The sentence was as I expected and in accordance with the law. Ross had a fair trial, made use of all the technicalities afforded by the law, including a change of venue from Multnomah to Marion County, and I believe the sentence will stand. I am fully satisfied with the court's decision and believe the ends of justice have been fully met. I shall proceed with the prosecution of Burkhardt and Atchison and am confident of the same result. It is a precedent that will work for good, this sentencing of Ross. The man in the high place will be more careful in his dealings. I believe, now that the courts have shown that conviction is possible—District Attorney Manning.

Ross had nothing to say last night. Lawyer McCamant was likewise non-committal.

SALEM, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—J. Thorburn Ross, president of the defunct Title Guarantee & Trust Company, was today sentenced to serve five years in the state penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$576,853, and to serve one day in the Multnomah County Jail for each two dollars of the fine not paid.

Sentence was imposed by Circuit Judge George H. Egan, after the motion of Ross for arrest of judgment and for new trial had been overruled. Appeal has been taken to the Supreme Court and Ross has been admitted to bail in the sum of \$6000.

This is the penalty Ross must pay for the conversion of \$38,375 of state school funds deposited by State Treasurer Steel in the Title Guarantee & Trust Company bank and paid out of the bank by its officers prior to the time the bank closed last fall. Ross was manager of the bank, and as such, aided Steel in securing legislation which would enable the bank to get possession of the state school funds without paying interest thereon.

## Bolsters Up Failing Bank.

As soon as the new law went into effect Steel began pouring money into Ross' bank and the bank used it in the ordinary business of the bank and to pay

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## FIRE DESTROYS PACKING PLANT

ABATTOIR ON EAST SIDE BURNS TO GROUND.

Two Firemen Injured in \$15,000 Blaze at Property of National Packing Company.

Fire following an explosion, thought to have been caused by a leaking gas pipe last night destroyed the plant of the National Packing Company at East Second and East Stark street with all its contents, consisting of salted, smoked and dried meats, including a large quantity of hams and bacon.

The fire broke out at 11:20 o'clock and raged fiercely for nearly two hours.



J. Thorburn Ross, Portland Banker, Sentenced to Five Years in Penitentiary and to Pay a Fine of \$576,853.

the grease and fat meats in the establishment making the blaze stubborn to combat. During the fight with the flames two firemen, Acting Lieutenant Robert Gee of truck 4, and Pipe-man "Doc" Jacques of engine 4, were knocked from a ladder by a hose nozzle, which escaped from their grasp, and were painfully injured. Gee was struck across the small of the back by the heavy brass nozzle of the writhing line of hose and disabled for duty, being taken to his home in the patrol wagon. It is possible that his injuries may prove serious, although he does not consider them so. Jacques was struck over the eye, either by the nozzle or in falling, and sustained a painful scalp wound.

The loss of the packing company, which was engaged in curing meat on a small scale, will probably not exceed \$15,000, although no statement could be obtained from officials or employees of the corporation last night. The building, a two-story brick and frame structure, was practically destroyed, although the walls are standing. The contents will be a total loss.

## PORTLAND GETS CONTRACT

Local Firm to Build Two Tugs for Artillery Corps.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 28.—The Quartermaster General today awarded to the Willamette Iron & Steel Works the contract for constructing two tugs for the Artillery Corps, at a total cost of \$115,000. The firm was the lowest bidder.

Bids for the two Government tugs were submitted on May 23. The tender of the Willamette Iron & Steel Works, of Portland, was the lowest in competition with the Puget Sound Shipbuilding Company, of Seattle, and the Union Iron Works, of San Francisco. The tugs are to be constructed of steel, and work is to be commenced upon them at the local plant of the company in North Portland as soon as practicable.

## OUTLAW'S REIGN IS BRIEF

Shoots Up Ambrose, N. D., and Is Killed by Citizens.

AMBROSE, N. D., May 28.—A desperado known as "Dutch" rode his pony into a blind pig here yesterday and shot up the place, after which he ran his horse through the streets, at the same time firing into buildings and wounding J. A. Lipphardt, an editor, in the hand. He also attempted the life of L. S. Todd, an attorney.

A dozen or more citizens armed themselves with guns. A pitched battle with the outlaw followed, between 20 and 40 shots being fired. A ball entered the head of the desperado and he dropped dead.

## ENDS LIFE AT PLEASURE

Mary Hinton, Author, Puts Theory Into Practice.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Mrs. Mary Hinton, formerly of London, England, once a frequent contributor to English and American magazines, committed suicide at her home here early today by asphyxiation. She was 53 years old.

One of her recent statements was that "life is something that we have the privilege of ending when we choose. When I think it is time to die, I shall end it all."

## Epidemic of Suicide in Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 28.—There has been an epidemic of suicides in St. Petersburg that has lasted for three months. The average number of deaths has been 85 a month.

## P. J. MANN FOUND DEAD IN BATHTUB

Heart Disease Attacks Pioneer Portlander.

## WATER HEATS TO BOILING

Aged Wife Is Prostrated by His Tragic Fate.

## LIVED HERE FOR 45 YEARS

Was Citizen of Prominence and Widely Known as Lover of Blood—Valuable Estate Is Left to His Heirs.

P. J. Mann, one of Oregon's wealthy pioneers and a resident of the city of Portland for the past 45 years, was found dead in the bathroom of his residence, 441 Third street at 11 o'clock last night. He was lying in the bathtub with the water running at almost a boiling temperature.

Mr. Mann had been in the water for fully an hour and his remains were dreadfully disfigured from the scalding water. Death had resulted from heart disease. He had apparently been stricken as he stepped into the tub to take his bath and the water, which came from an automatic gas heater in the cellar, had continued to run and grow hotter until it had almost reached the boiling point when at 11 o'clock his aged wife walked into the room to face the shocking discovery.

The aroused household, after having notified the coroner and the police, were required to give their attention to Mrs. Mann, who was prostrated at the fatality and lay on the floor in a faint. Dr. H. F. Leonard, who lives next door to the Mann residence, was called, and after an examination of his neighbor, pronounced the opinion that heart disease was the undoubted cause of death.

Mr. Mann had been in his apparent usual health. He had had some heart trouble prior to his fatal attack, but had never been alarmed about his condition. A few weeks ago he had experienced a slight fainting spell, but during the last few days he had been in unusually good health and spirits. He had been out for a drive during the late afternoon and had eaten a hearty dinner at home. After dinner he and Mrs. Mann had been reading in their sitting room on the first floor until about 10 o'clock last night.

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**AMPLE TIME AND OPPORTUNITY BEFORE HIM FOR STUDY, REFLECTION AND REPENTANCE**

**"I WILL BE A SWIFT WITNESS AGAINST FALSE SWEARERS AND THOSE THAT OPPRESS THE WIDOW AND THE FATHERLESS"**

**5 YEARS IN PRISON FOR PERJURY**