

FULTON RATE BILL
CAN'T PASS NOW

Railroad Senators Stand in
Path of Measure and Re-
fuse to Budge.

MAY YET BE DISCUSSED

Probabilities Never Have Pointed to
Its Being Allowed to Come to
Vote in Upper House of
National Congress.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-
ington, Feb. 5.—The Fulton bill prohib-
iting the advance of an interstate
railroad without the consent of the Inter-
state Commerce Commission, is doomed
to defeat, so far as the present session
of Congress is concerned.

Not that this particular bill has been
sought out for slaughter, but that it will
fall to receive consideration along with
all other legislation affecting interstate
carriers. It may be brought up in the
Senate and discussed, and it might possi-
bly be passed by that body, but the
House committee on Interstate Commerce
has decided that it will report no gen-
eral railroad legislation during the re-
mainder of the session, and that decision
blocks the Fulton bill, with many others.

Railroad Senators Control.

As a matter of fact, it has never seemed
probable that the Senate would permit
this bill to come to a vote. The "railroad
Senators" still hold sway in that body,
and it was their decision that the Fulton
bill should be killed in the hope of
overcoming their objections, Senator Ful-
ton proposed several amendments in-
tended to win the indorsement of inter-
state carriers, but even those amend-
ments will be unavailing, now that the
House committee has decided that no
railroad bills shall pass.

It seems to be the policy of the lead-
ers to postpone further railroad legisla-
tion until the Taft Administration comes
in, when an effort will be made to frame
up a policy, and make such changes in
the existing law as seem necessary to the
new President—always providing the Sen-
ate can be forced to act.

Knapp Favors Bill.

That the Interstate Commerce Commis-
sion in hearty favor of the enact-
ment of the Fulton bill, prohibiting the
advance in railroad rates, until such ad-
vances have been passed by the commis-
sion, is shown by a letter recently written
to the Senate by Chairman Knapp, of the
Commission. Commissioner Knapp, who
is not undertaking to advise the Senate
of the entire Commission, does not hesitate
to give voice to his personal views. In
his letter he particularly indorses the
"knock" amendment which Senator Ful-
ton recently proposed to his bill. In his
letter to Senator Fulton, Commissioner
Knapp says:

"The provision which gives the Commission
authority in its discretion to prevent a
proposed advance in rates from taking effect
until after the Commission has been con-
sulted has been determined, appears to con-
form substantially with the recommendation
of the Commission. As I introduced in that
recommendation I could not consistently
advise the Senate to take any action on the
measure. The authority seems to be con-
fined to procedure under the bill. It is im-
possible to proceed under the bill with-
out a clear and adequate
The further which is designed
to allow traffic agreements between com-
peting carriers is a change in the statute
law which I believe would operate to the
advantage of the public. It is my desire
to express my desire for the enactment of
such a measure.

JAP BILL MAY BE KILLED

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and in a calm and dispassionate manner
passes upon them, keeping in mind not
only the interest of the United States, but
of the world as well, and the duty we owe to
it in observing the treaties entered into
by it with a friendly power."
Leads immediately made his motion to
postpone reconsideration, but Grove L.
Johnson, of Sacramento, author of the
bill, spoke against postponement. He
suggested, however, that, if the matter
were delayed, it be committed to the
judicial committee and the Attorney-
General for an opinion as to the consti-
tutionality of the bill.

AX FALLS UPON CENSUS

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ing them after eligibility examina-
tion from the list of eligibles provided
by the Civil Service Commission."
Continuing the message says:
"To provide that the clerks and other
employees shall be appointed after non-
competitive examinations and yet to
provide that they shall be selected
without regard to political party affil-
iation means merely that the appoint-
ments shall be treated as the prerogative
of the politicians of both parties;
instead of as the prerogative of the poli-
ticians of one party. I don't believe in
the doctrine that to the victor belong
the spoils, but I think even less of the
doctrine that the spoils shall be di-
vided without a fight by the profes-
sional politicians on both sides, and
this would be the result of permitting
the bill in its present shape to become
a law.

Stanton's Earliest Appeal.

Speaker Stanton took the floor at noon.
He said: "Regardless of the merits of
the bill, I believe it should at least be
given reconsideration. We are treading
upon very dangerous ground and I have
information which, although my lips are
sealed, leads me to make this appeal for
postponement. Let it go over until Wed-
nesday, at which time it is probable the
Governor will be in a position to explain
more fully the reasons for the Federal
Government's request for delay."

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Senator A. Caminetti introduced the
Japanese school segregation bill in the
upper branch today. He said:
"Since the question of admitting Jap-
anese children in our public schools has
again become the subject of consideration,
and it is claimed that the state has no juris-
diction thereof, owing to our treaty with
Japan, it becomes the duty of the Legis-
lature to consider it for no other reason
than to assert the sovereignty of Califor-
nia and the right to conduct and control
our public school system, rights which are
not and cannot be under our eyes of gov-
ernment, but the subject of treaty stipu-
lation with any foreign government. This
it appears to me, we should do, lest, by
acquiescence and silence, we stimulate
the movement now encroaching upon
the rights of the states."

RIBBONS, COLLARS

Just in and on sale today at McAllen-
McDonnell's, Third and Morrison.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Dr. Horn, the optician, 43 door Swet-
land building, has a fine selection of
money refunded. No fancy prices.
Reduction sale. Harris Trunk Co. **
Rosenthal's great shoe sale is on.

JAPANESE IN EAST ARE CALM

Say Action of California Legislature
Not True Feeling in State.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Prominent
Japanese residents of this city are in-
clined to view calmly the agitation

against their race on the Pacific Coast,
and, like the conservative element in
Japan, do not think that the California
Assembly, in passing a bill excluding
Japanese pupils from the schools, rep-
resents the general feeling in the
United States. M. Kokichi Misuro, the
Japanese Consul-General here, declined
to make any formal statement against
the vote of the California Legislature,
but several well-to-do merchants ex-
press their views.

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New Millinery, New Wash Goods, Dress Goods and Silks for Spring 1909

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Clearance Sale of Hosiery
Clearance Sale of Ribbons
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Clearance Sale of Trimmings
Clearance Sale of Books
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ings
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ings
Clearance Sale of Drugs
Clearance Sale of Music
Clearance Sale of Notions
Clearance Sale of Pyrography
Clearance Sale of Rugs

All Undermuslins Reduced--Every Gar-
ment in Cloak Department Reduced--
All Pictures, Jewelry and Holiday Goods
Reduced--Goods Reduced in All Depts.

BUSINESS RECOVERY SLOW

LESSENED CONSUMPTION DUE
TO REDUCED EARNINGS.

West Shows Active Demand for Fer-
tilizer, Seeds, Implements.
Grain Exports Less.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Bradstreet's to-
morrow will say:
Trade is quiet as a whole, and indus-
trial operations are still below normal in
most lines. Conservatism in buying is
still marked and there is also present the
feeling of disappointment noted at the
failure of Spring trade to open up more
fully the play of natural conditions
showed slight recessions in January from
December, but the feature record was an
encouraging one, and the improvement
more fully the play of natural conditions
and restriction of consumptive demands
proceeding from reduced earning power
of activity at present are the demands for
fertilizers, seeds, implements and similar
goods, this being most marked at Western
centers.

GRAY COAT FOR WARSHIPS

Order Said to Be General for All
American Vessels.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—To remove
what they regard as an unfortunate im-
pression at this time, Naval officials to-
day made informal statements regarding
the published reports touching the paint-
ing of the transport Bufalo a leaden
gray color and the prospective return of
the torpedo flotilla to San Francisco.
An official order was produced show-
ing that on November 19 the directions
were given authorizing painting of the
vessels of the Pacific fleet a slate color,
a color which has or is to be given all
the vessels of the American Navy. The
decision to do this with regard to the
ships of the Navy was reached a long
time ago.
This is the first opportunity that has
been offered for painting the transport
Bufalo. Regarding the torpedo flotilla,
the officials say the vessels are going to
Marine Island to be docked and the barna-
cles removed, which has not been done

GOW JURY DISAGREEMENT

Brooklyn Banker Gets Out on
\$27,000 Bail.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The Brooklyn
jury before which William Gow, former-
ly president of the International
Trust Company and director of the
Borough Bank of Brooklyn, was tried
on a charge of larceny of \$145,000, dis-
agreed early today, the vote standing
eight for acquittal and four for con-
viction. Gow was already held under
\$27,000 bail, and this was continued.
The charge against Gow was based on
the withdrawal of \$145,000 in the Bor-
ough Bank. It was charged, to finance
the organization of the International
Trust Company. Another charge of the
larceny of \$250,000 is also pending
against Gow, as are also three charges
of mismanagement of the Borough
Bank of his account with the Borough
Bank.

CHICAGO CONTRACTOR INDICTED FOR
FANCY PENMANSHIP JOB.

\$27 CHECK RAISED \$27,000

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—Theodore Wasser-
man, head of a local contractor firm,
was today indicted by the grand jury,
charged with raising a check from
\$27 to \$27,000. By means of the raised
check Wasserman, it is claimed, secured
\$27,000 worth of bonds from the Illi-
nois Trust & Savings Bank. The bank later
recovered the bonds.

HOUSE HEARS PRIVATE COMPLAINTS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Private com-
plaints by the score had their innings
in the House of Representatives today,
the whole session being given over un-
der a special order to their considera-
tion.

STRIKERS CLASH WITH TROOPS.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 5.—As a result of

violence being offered today by the
striking miners of the Tremont coal mine
at Belle Vernon, Pa., near here, to the
nonunion miners who went to work yester-
day, a troop of state constabulary

FAILING EYESIGHT RESTORED

The foremost phy-
sicians and oculists
of London, Paris,
Vienna and Berlin
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son method of sight
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siness notices at special rates.

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ington Street, San Francisco.

MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 17, 1865.

The Great Atrocity.

On Saturday at noon the appalling announce-
ment was made among us that Abraham Lincoln
was no more. Our noble and honored President
is indeed dead. Gloom, treason and murder
have at last done their work. The heinous crime
which millions among us have assured us was
in contemplation, has finally been perpetrated.
President Lincoln has fallen under the stroke of
an assassin, and the Secretary of State has re-
ceived wounds from which it is not likely that he
can recover.

The nation bows under its weight of grief and
anguish. Through the fearful ordeal of battle by
which it has been tried, it has borne up bravely,
mourning indeed for the loss of its sons as they
were snatched away by death; but its present be-
liefs have been shaken, and the great grief and
sorrow is the most cruel and grievous of all.
An overwhelming sense of the great calamity
oppresses every loyal and feeling heart. The
nation's anguish is unendurable, and words a-
lone fail to express the agony of our hearts.

Some feelings of the deepest shame and
indignation because of the crime
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cago country; the highest ob-
scurity, has died by the
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(RECEIVED AT THE OREGONIAN.)
DATES TO APRIL 13.

PRES'T LINCOLN ASSASSINATED

Attempt to Assassinate Sec'y Seward

Fred. Seward Seriously Injured!

Seward Still Living!

The Assassins Escape!

Full Particulars.