

SEEK METHOD TO GET KNOX OFFICE

Senate Would Reduce Salary in Effort to Make Appointment Legal.

TANGLE IS HARD TO CLEAR

Doubt Expressed by Many as to Feasibility of Any Scheme So Far Suggested to Aid Senator's Promotion.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Following close upon the discovery that Philander C. Knox could not, without violating a provision of the Constitution of the United States, accept the State Portfolio in the Taft Cabinet, the Senate took prompt action today to remove the constitutional objection.

Senator Hale introduced a resolution, which was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, providing that the salary of the Secretary of State be reduced from \$12,000 to \$8,000, the figure at which it stood before it was increased, along with those of all other Cabinet officers two years ago.

In view of this resolution, Assistant Attorney-General Russell held that if Congress restored the salary the case fell outside the purpose of the law and was not within its scope.

House Still in Doubt.

In the House there was general acceptance of the suggestion for the repeal of the law standing in the way of Senator Knox's transfer to the State Department, but it was not accepted by all as feasible. Some members raised the question, if even after a repeal, he would not be prohibited, inasmuch as the Constitution forbids the appointment to an office, the salary of which has been raised during the appointee's term as a member of Congress, nothing being said about the subsequent reduction of the salary.

Senator Knox was last year elected for a six-year term, which will not expire until March 3, 1911. The Constitution prohibits the appointment of a Senator to an office created, or the salary of which has been increased during the term for which he was elected.

So the question is whether, under the uncontrovertible state of affairs, Senator Knox can lawfully succeed Robert Bacon as Secretary of State on March 4.

The Senator himself is a good deal perturbed over the matter, and today held frequent consultations with personal friends, especially those of a legal turn of mind.

Bill May Help.

Just before the Senate adjourned today, Senator Hale introduced a bill repealing that portion of the act of 1907 which increased the salary of the Secretary of State.

The general consensus of opinion on both sides of the Senate chamber was in accordance with Senator Hale's view that the situation should be remedied by the repeal of the law in so far as it affected the offices of the Secretary of State, but there were a few dissenting voices on the Democratic side.

Senator Rayner, himself an eminent legal authority, after canvassing both sides of the chamber, expressed the belief that repeal offered the only feasible course out of the difficulty.

Senator Knox did not reach the capital until 1 o'clock. He was immediately sought out by a number of his Senatorial friends who were in close conference with him, but to the reporters he would say nothing whatever regarding the report of his ineffectuality for the office of Secretary of State.

DRISCOLL BESTS CROSS

English Lightweight Distresses Cross With Left Jabs.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—In a slashing 16-round fight at the Fairmount Athletic Club tonight, Jim Driscoll, the English lightweight, had the better of the bout with Leech Cross, of New York. The first four rounds were easily Driscoll's, the Englishman landing a left jab, which had Cross much distressed. Cross had the better of the final rounds.

STRAUS TALKS TO LABOR

Leaders Meet Secretary in General Conference at Capital.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Prominent labor leaders participated in a "council of labor" at the Department of Commerce and Labor today. President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, and Commissioner-General Keefer, of the Immigration Bureau, were among those taking part.

The meeting was called at the instance of Secretary Straus.

STIFLED BY NATURAL GAS

One Oklahoma Senator Dead, Another Dying of Poison.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Feb. 10.—State Senator G. O. Johnson, of Fort Cobb, is dead and State Senator J. P. Yeager, of Tulsa, is dying here as the result of inhaling natural gas from a jet believed to have been accidentally left open. They were called this morning and made no response, their door was broken in and they were found unconscious.

EMERGENCY GETS JUDGE

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a legislative bill as they did to this one, when they enacted that the public peace required that this bill should go into immediate effect. Of course every one knows the statement is not true. It is contrary to the profession of the Senators who said that no bill should pass with the emergency clause attached.

Governor Chamberlain himself, two years ago, in a message which he sent to the Legislature, said that he would veto any such bill which carried an emergency clause. I want to have it fixed once and for all, so that no bill increasing salaries or creating new offices shall ever again pass the Legislature of this state with an emergency clause attached.

"Of course this emergency clause was added to the bill to prevent its being presented to the people under the referendum, because the members who voted for the bill well knew the people did not want an additional judge in this county. Mr. Jaeger, whose name the bill bears, stated in the House that he retained the emergency clause for

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The matter will be dealt with by both local bodies at an early date. The resolution makes the assertion that the most vital industry to the welfare of British Columbia is the only great industry on the American continent which is not afforded reasonable protection and recites that British Columbia millmen are still suffering from the alleged unfair competition of rough lumber coming into Canada free of duty. Stroff is also led on the fact that the mills are idle and that the lumber was produced with protected machinery and protected supplies.

The resolution also recites that S. Fielding assured Kootenai lumbermen some years ago that the dumping clause would give them protection, a promise which has not been verified by results. The mills of the Kootenais, so the resolution avers, were unable to operate one-fourth of their ten-hour capacity during 1908, throwing out of work thousands of men and causing millions of dollars of invested capital to remain unproductive. In conclusion the resolution asserts that as the product of the mountain mills is from 75 to 85 per cent of common lumber, the unfairness should be manifest of allowing American mills to dump into Canada their surplus low-grade material, constituting as it does the largest portion of the Kootenai output.

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