OF POWDER TRUST

Restriction Fixed by House Declared by Cummins to Be Mere Fraud.

HALL RUSHES TO DEFENSE

Upholds Policy of Encouraging Private Factories-Waste of Money on the Navy - Yards Is Also Denounced.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The House provision in the naval bill that no part of the appropriation for powder should be paid to any trust or monopoly, "except in the event of an emergency," was the subject of considerable criticism in the Senate today. That it was for the purpose of hoodwinking the public and would not really affect the purchase of

powder to any appreciable extent was charged by Cummins.

"The prohibition of the bill as passed by the House," said Cummins, "is keep-ing the promise to the ear and breaking it to the hope.

Says House Deceives.

He said he understood the Navy De-partment under this provision would buy from others except the trust only pow-der for loading shells and such powder compared with all the powder used by the Government is so small as to be almost beneath notice. He charged the House with an intention of deceiving.

"If that be true." Cummins said, "we have here a bill which has been heralded to the world as one which prohibits the United States from buying powder from combinations in restraint of trade, while in fact it contains no substantial limitiation whatever.

Stone suggested that the Dupont Powder Company was the only source from which powder could be obtained.

Trust Sole Source of Supply.

"So," said the Missouri Senator, "the powder trust is the sole source of our supply, except so far as the Government itself manufactures powder at Indian Head." If the Secretary of the Navy should fird he could buy powder from no one but the trust, Stone wished to know whether that would be "an emergency," as provided for in the bill and, if so, he wished to know whether the House provision was not a "pretenre and a fraud on the face."

Hale declared he did not believe it a

pretense and a fraud. Tillman then said the Senator from Pennsylvania had had the Constitution revised in his behalf in order to make him eligible for a Cabinet position and that a distinguished man had been relleved from the Treasurership of the Republican campaign committee, "be-cause he was supposed to be president of the powder trust."

Hale Defends House.

Hale said of 3,000,000 pounds of pow der used annually about one-third was made by the Government, the rest be-ing purchased. He thought it was wise to build up factories for the manufac-ture of powder by private firms, as wel as a Government shop. Hale pointed to the lower price for powder fixed by the bill, being 64 cents a pound, compared with 69 cents last year. Hale said the Navy was now hurston. said the Navy was now burning up powder in quantities that in the past ould have been considered sufficient

Does the Senator not think that m powder is burned in firing salutes than in firing at targets?" Inquired Bacon. Hale did not reply, but, answering Stone, insisted that the House had restricted the purchase of powder in good faith. Cummins declared that the restriction applied to only 100th of the powder

Several Senators made suggestions re cting an amendment that may be offered to provide adequate facilities for the manufacture of all powder needed by the Navy in Government factories, where Tillman said it could be made for

Waste on Navy-Yards.

Dixon of Montana provoked sharp criti-cism of naval methods in the Senate to-day when he referred to magazine articles making special strictures upon con-structional naval yards. He quoted an article charging that ten members of the naval affairs committee of the Senate ad Navy-yards in their states. Hale defended the appropriations for

Navy-yards, saying that, while in 14 years the United States had spent \$51,005,004 on such works, Great Britain had spent \$126,987,550 on its navy-yards. In this bill but \$4.846,000 was for Navy-yards. It was true, he admitted there were but two or three of the yards that could dock 26,000-ton battleships provided for in the pending bill, but that was because there had never been any idea that there would

be such great ships.

"The whole country," he continued,
"is in a furore and fever under the circumnavigation of the globe by our Navy." and he added that under such conditions it was difficult to check the appropriations.

Hale Walls About Expense

An appropriation of \$12,000,000 is asked for the construction of auxiliary ships, such as transports, dispatch-boats, cruisers and scouts that may be necessary in time of war, in an amendment offered by Newlands. The amendment also provides that in time of peace these vessels shall be leased

for commercial use.

Hale predicted that if the present rate
of increase in appropriations continued,
it would be necessary for the Government ther to increase the rate of taxation or to borrow money. At the present rate of increase of the Navy, Hale continued, next year \$190,000,000 will be required and the year after \$200,000,000.

No Promotion for Evans.

The committee provision to create the rank of Vice-Admiral, in the interest of Admiral Evans, was eliminated on a point of order made by Rayner of Mary-

The Senate materially amended a provision making a himp appropriation for the pay of the clerical, drafting, inspec-tion and messenger force at navy-yards and naval stations and other stations and offices under the Navy Department. The entire question will go to conference. In closing the debate. Hale said if the Naval bill were not passed tomorrow he would ask that the Senate hold a

\$5000, and nothing else. If he merely is retired he will draw for life three-quarters of his regular pay.

Gay Doings in Army.

The evidence, which will be heard by the board in secret session—it hav-ing been decided today to exclude the public—will it, is prophesied, deal with excessively gay doings in Army circles in the Philippines and at posts in this counity. Mrs. Tucker, whose marital troubles have received much publicity in the past, is determined, it is stated, to make revelations about her husband's mode of life and that of his circle of Army friends, tending to show that the Colonel went a very fast pace

that the Colonel went a very fast pace for many years.

It is considered likely that one of the witnesses called on Colonel Tucker's behalf will be Mrs. Myrtle L. Platt, de-scribed by the Colonel as his "nurse," but characterized by Mrs. Tucker as his "affinity." Mrs. Platt has been nursing the Colonel for a long time, and has been with him at Hot Springs.

Pespite the fact that in recent months Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. Logan have made lengthy statements to the newspapers, accusing the Colonel of wrong living, they both declined today to say anything about the case.

All Stricken With Silence. "Neither Mrs. Tucker nor myself care to say anything at all to the newspapers," said Mrs. Logan over the telephone from



William Whose Wife Testifies Against Him at Hearing Before Army Retiring Board.

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her room at the Auditorium Annex "Anything purporting to be an interview from either of us is false." Colonel Tucker himself was equally un-

other officers besides Colonel Tucker whose cases are coming before the board are Colonel Owen J. Sweet, 28th Infantry, Fort Snelling; Colonel George W. Adair, Medical Corps, St. Paul Army headquarters; Lieutenant-Colonel Silas A. Wolf, Suh Infantry, Fort Snelling; Major Walter H. Chaifield, 28th Infantry, Fort Sheridan; Captain James Bonayne, 28th

Infantry, Fort Spelling.
Captain Logan Tucker, son of Colonel
Tucker, may take the stand against his

SECRETARY OF CONGRESS SAYS IT PAYS

Declares Country Life Commission Made No Adverse Report. Praises Mondell.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 15 .- (Special.) 'Dry farming has never been denounced as impracticable or a failure by practical agriculturists or expert agronomists," said Secretary John T. Burns, of the board of control of the Third Trans-Missouri Dry Control of the Initial Transaction of the Parming Congress, when his attention was called to the Washington special in The Oregonian of February 6 regarding the Mondell 229-acre homestead bill. Indorsement of this measure will probably be one result of the meeting of the Dry

be one result of the meeting of the Dry Farm Congress here next week.
"Dry-farming has been proven success-ful in Wyoming, Colorado, Oregon and other Western states and territories to such a degree," said Burns, "that only a few misinformed persons doubt its prac-ticability. No practical dry farmers tes-tified before the Country Life Commis-sion at Degree; and none has denounced sion at Denver, and none has denounced the system as a fraud. There have been some failures on dry farms, but in every case these have resulted from inexperience or deliberate refusal to follow the methods advised by successful dry farm-

ers and taught at experiment stations.
"There are on file at the headquarters of the Dry Farm Congress hundreds of letters from practical farmers giving facts letters from practical farmers giving lacts regarding crops, and reports from expert investigators, proving that crops are being raised successfully on dry land and that homesteaders are rapidly acquiring competences from products of arid soil by following the dry farming system con-sicentiously. These reports will be print-ed at the Dry Farm Congress and used as an argument in favor of the Mondell bill. The Country Life Commission did not investigate dry farming, and its members do not oppose the dry farm

"Any man," said Mr. Burns, in sion. "who takes the position that dry farming is impracticable or a fraud is either ignorant of facts or is an enemy

INVITE TAFT TO SEATTLE

President-Elect Asked to Open Big Exposition Next June.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 15,-President-elect CINCINNATI, Feb. 15.—President-elect Taft left for Washington this afternoon. His trip is primarily for the purpose of receiving and transmitting to President Roosevelt the report of the Board of En-gineers who accompanied him to Panama. He will take advantage of the visit to consult regarding his inaugural ad-dress, his Cabinet members and other matters.

Before leaving today, Mr. Taft was visited by a committee from Kilwinning Lodge of Masons, of which he is to be made a member "at sight" Thursday

The President-elect was also invited to attend the opening, June 4, of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, at Seattle, by Secretary Josiah Collins, who came here for that purpose. Mr. Taft will return here Thursday to remain three days.

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Reports Monster Scal Catch.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 15.—Cable advices from Cape Town state that the schooner Beatrice L. Corkum, Captain Gilbert, owned by A. J. Bechtel, of this city will land a rich sealing catch in addition to the 4000 secured by the Agnes G. Donahoe, considered to be worth \$140,000.

Roosevelt Sends Message to Congress Advocating General Plan.

PRAISES CONFERENCE IDEA

Uniform Laws for Care of Dependent Children Sought - Duty of Nation to Take Steps in Matter, Declares the President.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Legislation which, it is believed if enacted into law, will mark an important epoch in the future well-being of the dependent children was a second of the dependent children was a second of the company and dependent of the company and the second of the se future well-being of the dependent chil-dren of the Nation, is recommended in a special message by President Roosevelt sent to Congress today, in which he makes a strong plea in the interest of children coming within this class. Of particular importance is the Presi-dent's recommendation for the establish-ment of a Federal Children's Bureau; the enactment of such legislation as will bring the laws and practices in regard to the care of dependent children in all Federal territory into harmony, and certo the care of dependent children in all Federal territory into harmony, and certain legislation in behalf of dependent children in the District of Columbia. The President believes that such legislation is important not only for the welfare of the children immediately concerned, but important "as setting an example of a high standard of child protection by the National Government to the several states of the Union, which should be able to look to the Nation for leadership in such matters."

Declares Programme Wise.

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The President also transmits with his message to Congress a copy of the conclusions, together with the full text of the proceedings of the recent conference here on the care of dependent children, in accordance with the request of that organisation. Declaring that their conclusions "constitute a wise, constructive and progressive programme of child-caring work," the President says that if "given full effect by the proper agencies, existing methods and practices in almost every community would be profoundly and advantageously modified."

Statistics showing the large number of

Statistics showing the large number of children in the country are presented by Mr. Roosevelt. "Each of these chil-dren represents either a potential addition to the productive capacity and the enlightened citizenship of the Nation," says the President, "or, if allowed to suffer from neglect, a potential addition to the destructive forces of the community. The ranks of criminals and oths ene-mies of society are recruited in an altogether undue proportion from calldren be-reft of their natural homes and left without sufficient care. The interests of the Nation are involved in the welfare of this army of children no less than in our great material affairs,'

Urges Child Bureau. .

In urging a Children's Bureau, one of whose duties will be to investigate a report upon all matters pertaining to the welfare of children and child life, the President points out that "the Na-tional Government is the only agency which can effectively conduct such gen-eral inquiries as are needed for the ben-

eral inquiries as are needed for the ben-efit of all our citizens."

"It is not only discreditable to us as a people that there is now no recognized and authoritative source of information upon these subjects relating to child life," declares the President, "but in the ab-sence of such information as should be supplied by the Federal Government many buses have gone unchecked; sentiment, with its great corrective pov er, can only be aroused by full knowledge of the facts. He adds that there are few things more vital to the welfare of the Nation than accurate and dependable knowledge of the best methods of dealing with children, particularly those handicapped by misfortune.

The President makes a strong plea for keeping the family intact and declares

that poverty alone should not disrupt the

BRYAN LAUDS GEN. WEAVER

Is Chief Speaker at Celebration at Des Moines in Warrior's Honor.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 15.-With a gala banquet at the Savery Hotel here tonight, at which were present nota-bles from all parties, including William J. Bryan, came to a close the unique day of tribute to General James B. Weaver, twice Presidential candidate. Mr. Bryan spoke on "The Respect and

"History will repeat itself," said Mr. Bryan, and he seemed surprised when every one laughed. "I don't mean that as it refers to individuals in politics," he hastened to add. "I mean that the same policies that have been prominent, politics before will serain be promined. in politics before will again be promi-nent, and I believe they will win." In the afternoon there took place at the Statehouse the unveiling of a portrait of General James B. Weaver. The portrait is the gift of admiring friends to the state historical department, and to the state historical department, and the occasion was the anniversary of the attack of the Second Iowa Regiment upon Fort Donelson, of which General Weaver was a member. Mr Bryan spoke for an hour upon the patriotism of General Weaver, with whom he had been associated for several weaver.

SAFE BLOWERS GET \$1140

Loot Bank in Oklahoma, and Force of Explosion Wrecks Building.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Feb. 15.-The bank at Oklaha, 15 miles south of this city, was robbed early today and the Sheriff and a number of deputies with blood-hounds have started for the scene. No details have been received. Later advices state that the safe in the First State Bank of Oklaha was blown at 2 o'clock. The robbers secured \$1140. The bank bullding was wrecked by the explosion. Sheriff Ramsey's bloodhounds traced the robbers to the outskirts of the town, where the trall was lost. It is believed that the robbers are the same

Make Citizens a la Bryan.

n who have recently been operating

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 15 .- The State Senate today, by a majority of one vote, passed what is known as the Bryan school of citizenship billi. The measure school of citizenship bill. The measur was drawn by W. J. Bryan and provide for the establishment in the State Uni-versity of a school to teach the duties

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traordinary low prices. Decorated designs, good colorings, going at 1/2 Price Regular 10c Candle Shades, special 5c Regular 15c Candle Shades, special Sc Regular 20e Candle Shades, special 10c Regular 50c Candle Shades, special 25c Regular 65c Candle Shades, special 33¢ Regular \$1.00 Candle Shades, special 50c \$18.75 the set, at......\$14.00 Regular \$1.50 Candle Shades, special 75¢

WHITE CHINA-Odd pieces for decorating at one-half regular price. Take advantage. After dinner coffee cups and saucers, regularly \$1.13 the set, special now at.... 570 Chocolate cups and saucers, regular \$2.18; special \$1.09 75e nut bowls, special, ea. 38¢ 75e cake plates, special, ea.38¢ 60e pin boxes and covers. 30¢ 50e eard boxes and covers. 25e



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Very elever models in new Spring Coats, Suits, Waists and Gowns are arriving daily in Portland's largest and best suit department. All the preferred hovelties brought forth by this season's style makers are well represented. Fashion followers will do well to look carefully over this thorough assortment.

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Come and see the display. Everybody's buying early. Choose what you will need and have the pleasure of selecting from assortments wonderfully complete. The coming season will be one of the greatest ever known to the trade for Wash Dress Goods, and women who contemplate the making of a smart wash-tailored suit or a pretty Summer frock had best be about buying their materials now. - Come and see the display today.

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GINGHAMS for neat house and street | dresses, all shades, plain colors, checks, plaids, stripes, 10¢ to 250 SOISETTES, permanent finish, all colors,

fine for filmy frocks, plain colors

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Prizes to Be Given Schoolchildren for Poultry.

INCREASE OREGON SUPPLY

Commercial Club Considering Plan to Stimulate Industry and Do Away With Imports Now Necessary From the Eastern States.

To increase the egg supply and to furnish fat poultry for the markets, doing away with the scarcity in both lines that usually prevails here, is the purpose that usually prevails here, is the purpose of a movement that will be taken up and considered today by the board of governors of the Portland Commercial Club. This is none other than offering a prize to Portland boys and girls for raising poultry. The plan has the backing and co-operation of the Oregon Agricultural College and the Portland Y. M. C. A. It is likely that the Commercial Club will stype its indersement to the proposition

is likely that the commercial Citio win give its indorsement to the proposition at today's meeting.

It is suggested that boys and girls at-tending school who live in the suburbs and have ground space at their bomes for the raising of chickens be included in the contest and that prizes be offered as follows: First \$100 second \$50 next as follows: First \$100, second \$50, next ten best \$5 cach. It is proposed to make this an annual affair and thus stimulate

his hearty support and is new supplying ms nearty support and is now supplying a special reading course on the subject to be issued by the Oregon Agricultural College. Président Kerr, of that institution, is giving whatever encouragement

he can to the proposition.

H. W. Stone, secretary of the Y. M. C.
A. is taking an active interest in the
contest and believes it will be productive of much good, not only in supplying healthful outdoor interests for children but in turning more general attention to this sadly neglected industry in this state. He hopes the final result will be to stop the imports of poultry and poultry pro-ducts from the East by increasing the local supply so it will equal the demand.

HURLS BOMB FROM TRAIN

Black Hand Agents in Gotham Us Passing Elevated Cars.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 .- The neighborhood of Second avenue and One Hundred and Sixth street, which is largely inhabited by Italians, was thrown into confusion late tonight by the explosion of a bomb dropped to the street from a passing Second avenue elevated train.

The explosion wrecked the windows of a number of stores on Second ave-nue and caused slight injuries to

This is the second time in less than three months that the neighborhood has been visited by bombthrowers. The same method of dropping the missile from a passing train was used.

The bomb is believed by the police to have been intended for Joseph Arana, whose apartments face along the elevated railroad structure and to whom a number of Black Hand letters have been sent recently.

Lad Passes Another's Checks.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Frank Holt, aged 18, and the step ten best \$5 cach. It is proposed to make this an annual affair and thus stimulate interest in poultry growing.

Professor James Dryden, of the department of poultry husbandry of the Oregon Agricultural College, has given the plan and Stomach and Many other bad the store of D, W. Mitchell yesterday at the plan and Stomach and many other bad feelings.

Indigestion is a result, not a cause, of your misery. If the Stomach is of your misery. If the Stomach is of your misery. If the Stomach is of your misery of pour pool becomes tainted, and appetite.

city, and succeeded in cashing the same with Frank Johnson. Holt is under are

FASTEST TRAIN WRECKED Pennsylvania Flyer Hits Rock and

Goes Into Ditch.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.-The Pennsylvania special, the 18-hour fiver from Chicago to New York, struck a rock at the time the accident occurred. The Pullman, the combination smoker, baggagecar, and three sleepers were derailed, the engine and the first two cars turning over. All the passengers were in their berths and were thrown about and badly shaken up.

Hearst Plends Not Guilty.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 .- Counsel for the Star Company, publishers of the New York American, today entered a plea of not guilty to the charge of criminal libel preferred against the company by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., because of an article Chicago to New York, struck a rock at Newton Hamilton, SI miles west of Harrisburg, shortly after 6 A. M. today, preferred against the company by D. Rockefeller, Jr., because of an company in this city say that beyond a company in this city say that beyond a published in the American about The trial was set for February 25.

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Go to your druggist and get some of to your druggest and get some Dispepsin now, then cat anything you want at your next meal, and you will not suffer from Indigestion or Stomach trouble. Each bite of food will taste good, and besides, you will not need liver regulators to keep your intestines and Stomach clean and fresh.