



DEMOCRATS TALK OF STAR CHAMBER

Demand Part in Senate Tariff Hearings.

ALDRICH'S TELLING RETORT

Says Democrats Framed Wilson Bill Same Way.

ONLY EXPERT EVIDENCE

Daniel Says Framing of Bill Is Regarded as Private Snap and Rayner Makes Plentiful Plea for Elkins' Interest.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—What turned out to be a general debate on the tariff was a feature of the Senate proceedings today on Bacon's resolution favoring the consideration of tariff legislation by the full committee on finance instead of by the Republican members of that committee only.

Aldrich insisted that the procedure adopted in this case was similar to that which had been the practice of the Senate for 50 years in dealing with tariff measures, and he added that the same method was adopted in handling the Wilson tariff bill, for which, he said, a substitute was framed by a sub-committee composed of Democrats. The Democrats contend for representation at hearings by the committee, and argued that the Republican members, sitting as such, had no right to authorize the expenditure of the public funds in furtherance of an ex parte consideration of the bill in committee. The resolution was finally referred to the committee on finance.

Has Been Examining Experts.

When Bacon called attention to a statement made by Hale last Monday that he had just come from the committee-room, where there were "30 or 40 dissected or dissecting Pennsylvanians," it was explained both by Hale and Aldrich that the number was overstated. It seemed, Aldrich said, that all the people coming before the members of the committee had been experts, whose assistance had been necessary for a proper understanding of the questions being considered. He said the House had been having hearings and had published nine volumes of them, and he doubted whether any Democratic Senator had read any part of them.

"You will have to make an exception in my case," said Bailey, interrupting, "although I have not read all of them, and do not intend to."

Aldrich said the experts were not subpoenaed or paid any witness fees, and he declared that their statements were not public hearings at all.

Tariff Bill Private Snap.

Daniel insisted on knowing what objections could be urged by the Senator from Rhode Island against the Democratic members of the committee hearing the statements.

"It is," asked Daniel, "a private snap for the purpose of framing a tariff bill without giving a right to representatives of the people to hear the testimony?"

Aldrich said it was the purpose of the committee, so far as he knew, to hold public hearings.

Rayner strongly opposed the majority method of framing the tariff bill.

Rayner's Plea for Elkins.

"When you are dividing this plunder," he said, "at least be fair to each other. On behalf of the Senator from West Virginia, I at least beg of you to give him back his raw materials. He has stood with you on the field of battle and, when the hour of submission comes, the Senator from West Virginia will be here and his protesting voice will not be heard in this hall against a single article on the schedule."

He referred to the coal mines of Elkins and his indignation over the proposition to place the products of his state upon the free list.

"We of this side," he said, "are in the camp of the vanquished and, so far as I am concerned, I would rather be in the camp of the vanquished than in the camp of the victors in the possession of the spoils."

Star Chamber Process.

Rayner declared that the Republican procedure was merely a star chamber process.

"I have a right," said Aldrich, replying to this latter charge, "to have a conversation without having a Democratic Senator cross-examine the person with whom I conversed." He declared that the Democratic members of the committee were holding meetings of their own and that they had their experts.

Rayner lost their individual character when they became a committee of the Senate charged with a public duty.

Aldrich replied that, if the Senator from Maryland should frame a tariff bill according to his policy, he would not get 10 Democratic votes for it.

Tax Living Rich, Not Dead.

Bailey indignantly resented the claim of Aldrich to speak for the Democratic

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BANK PARTNER IN SWINDLE GAMES?

SAMUEL SUTOR FILES SENSATIONAL SUIT IN IOWA.

Man Duped by "Swindle Syndicate" Says Bank Officials Were In on Scheme.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., April 1.—A sensational suit was filed in the Federal Court today by Samuel Sutor, of Cass Lake, Minn., against the First National Bank, its officials and other persons, in which Sutor charges that the bank was in collusion with Maybray and his associates who are under indictment for swindling by means of fake horse races, wrestling matches and similar schemes.

Sutor names as defendants the First National Bank of Council Bluffs; Ernest E. Hart, president; and John J. Spindler, cashier; George Wilson and Benjamin Marska.

John Wilson is alleged to have been Maybray's right-hand man in the so-called "Swindle Syndicate," and is declared by Sutor to have handled the stake money, which included Sutor's \$5000. Hart and Spindler deny that they were any of the alleged swindlers of Maybray and his associates. They declare they handled Sutor's letter of credit from the bank in Cass Lake in the same manner as similar paper is usually handled.

AHEAD OF STEEL TRUST

Independent Steel Men Pay \$50,000,000 for Coal Land.

PITTSBURGH, April 1.—Anticipating the United States Steel Corporation, which, it is said, had been intending to procure the property, a deal was closed today by independent steel concerns for 100,000 acres of Pittsburgh coking coal land lying in Greene, Fayette and Washington counties, Pennsylvania, at a cost of \$50,000,000. The property was held by J. V. Thompson, of Uniontown, Pa., and associates.

The sale was made to a holding company, representing, it is said, every important independent steel company in the country except Jones & Laughlin, of Pittsburg, who are said not to be interested in the deal. Charles M. Schwab, of the Bethlehem Steel Company is said to be at the head of the new concern and it is rumored that John W. Gates was behind the deal.

RIVAL IS AFTER WESTON

Army Sergeant, Just In From 7700-Mile Walk, Starts Off Again.

BOSTON, April 1.—Sergeant John Walsh, of the United States Army, the long-distance walker, who arrived in Boston today, after having completed a walk from Boston to San Francisco and return, a distance of 7700 miles in 156 days, started late in the afternoon, after a few hours' rest, to repeat the performance.

Walsh left Boston August 12, 1908, and arrived in San Francisco October 2, according to his statement. He lost 50 pounds, but felt strong and would make the present trip in competition with Edward Payson Weston, who started from New York last week.

Walsh is 57 years old.

STUDENTS ARE REVENGED

Send 400 Wagonloads of Merchandise to Justice of Peace.

PARIS, April 1.—The Royalist students, who were condemned to imprisonment and fined recently by M. Hammerd, Justice of the Peace, for mutilating statues and demonstrating in the streets and theaters, have taken a humorous revenge against the justice. They ordered 400 wagon loads of merchandise of every description from pianos to coal, delivered at M. Hammerd's residence.

Almost a riot occurred in front of Hammerd's home today when the deliveries began. He was surrounded by the rattle drivers with difficulty until they departed without leaving their loads.

YOUTHFUL CLERK IN GRIEF

Only 26 Years Old, Yet Is Thought to Have Embezzled \$100,000.

BALTIMORE, April 1.—William F. Downs, a young clerk in the City Register's office, was held today in \$50,000 bail for a hearing on a charge of having embezzled city funds. State's Attorney Owens said that the amount taken from the city probably would aggregate \$100,000.

Downs is 26 years old. He has been living in style beyond the means of a \$200 a year clerk, which was until recently, when he was promoted to a \$1400 clerkship punch against his will. He kept a couple of race horses, and is said to have been a patron of prize fights, and to have had other expensive habits.

ARIZONA GOLD RUSH IS ON

Crowds Flock to Salome, Where Rich Ore Is Being Found.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 1.—The arrival here of several sacks of immensely valuable ore from the recent strike between the little town of Salome and Vicksburg has caused tremendous excitement. At least 1000 men are in the vicinity, and claims have been staked out for a radius of ten miles from the strike. Many are leaving here for the scene.

Mining men from Colorado and Nevada are beginning to arrive and outfit for a trip to the new ground. Little towns have been laid out in the vicinity, and lots are selling at \$25 each.

BRYAN THUNDERS AT FITZGERALD

Denounces Him for Aiding Republicans.

HAS BETRAYED HIS PARTY

Says Cannon Violated Rules in Promoting Him.

ADDS INSULT TO INJURY

Sulzer May Break With Tammany Because Murphy and McCarren, Instigated by the Trusts, Urged On Insurrection.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 1.—(Special.)

Denouncing the 23 Democrats of the House who voted with Speaker Cannon, and singling out Representative Fitzgerald, of New York, as one of the worst, Mr. Bryan says in his Commonwealth of tomorrow:

"The action of Speaker Cannon in selecting Congressman Fitzgerald as the minority member of the committee on rules was a gross violation of rules and usages of the House of Representatives. If any one is appointed to a committee as a Democrat, he ought to be a representative of his party, and Speaker Cannon knew that Mr. Fitzgerald was not only not a representative of his party, but that he openly and notoriously betrayed his party into the hands of the Republicans. If Mr. Fitzgerald's services to the Republicans entitled him to a place on the committee on rules, he ought to have been put on in the place of a Republican, and not as a Democrat.

"It is adding insult to injury to put him on the committee over the protest of the Democrats and then use his appointment to deny to the Democrats any representation. If Mr. Fitzgerald had any respect for his party he would refuse to act as a representative of an organization which repudiates his conduct, but his association with Mr. Cannon seems to have demoralized his sense of propriety as effectually as it has his Democracy."

SULZER AT PARTING OF WAYS

Tells Murphy Insurgents Are Outcasts From Their Party.

BY LLOYD F. LONERGAN.
NEW YORK, April 1.—(Special.)—Congressman William Sulzer, the senior Representative from Manhattan, and Tammany Hall seem to have come to the parting of the ways. He bitterly resents the fact that eight of the Democratic members from Greater New York voted with the Republican majority, and the more he thinks about it the madder he gets.

When he threatened to bring about the

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CHILD PROTECTION IS OBJECT OF LAW

"CHILDREN'S CHARTER" IS NOW EFFECTIVE IN BRITAIN.

Measure Aimed to Reform Many Abuses of Young and to Afford Protection to Babes.

LONDON, April 1.—(Special.)—What is termed the "children's charter" became effective in Great Britain today. The law is a source of keen satisfaction to all classes of society. Baby "farming" is subjected to strict supervision, and no child may be kept on premises that are overcrowded, dangerous or unsanitary. Foster parents found to be negligent, ignorant, drunken, immoral or criminal will be deprived of their charges.

Insurance companies are forbidden to insure the life of a nursing child, and any person convicted of cruelty resulting in the death of a child in which the person is financially interested may be fined 200 pounds (\$1000) with five years' penal servitude. Severe punishment is provided for death by overlying while the parents are under the influence of drink.

Children under 7 years may not be left in a room containing an open fire insufficiently protected. Begging or receiving alms on the streets and juvenile smoking are suppressed. Policemen must confiscate cigarettes and cigarette papers found in the possession of persons under 16 years of age, and tobaccoists selling such property to them are liable to a fine.

Throughout the country the authorities are busy arranging to enforce the law.

MIRAGES SEEN OFF LOMA

Huge Castle and Busy City Portrayed in Clear Air.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 1.—Mirages on the ocean are seen here occasionally, but those that were witnessed off Point Loma today had no parallel. One took the form of a vast castle rising from the ocean off Coronado Island. It remained visible for several minutes. Then it disappeared in a cloud of mist, which soon vanished and in its place was the reflection of what appeared to be a large city. These phenomena were witnessed by a considerable number of tourists who were visiting the point Loma Lighthouse. The day was remarkably clear and bright.

ONE MAN DEAD IN MINE RIOT

Deputies Try to Make Arrest, but Fatal Fight Follows.

PITTSBURGH, April 1.—One man was killed and another probably fatally injured today in a riot between a crowd of miners formerly employed at the Harwick mines of the Allegheny Coal Company at Cheswick and two deputy constables. The trouble started when the miners attempted to rescue a comrade who had been arrested.

SNOW IMPRISONS TRAIN

Boreas Pass, Colorado, Entirely Blocked by Fierce Storm.

BRECKENRIDGE, Colo., April 1.—Boreas Pass has been blocked by snow for 24 hours. A rotary snowplow was dispatched tonight to extricate the Colorado & Southern passenger train from Leadville, which is stalled in the drifts.

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RAVENOUS BUYING SENDS WHEAT UP

May Reaches \$1.20's, Record Price.

PATTEN HELPS BOOM ALONG

High Prices Force Mills in the Southwest to Close.

PUBLIC ENTERS MARKET

Bears Are Made April Fools by Bulge Late in Day—Bulls in Full Control of May and July Going Higher.

CHICAGO, April 1.—(Special.)

All Fool's Day furnished an all-fool's wheat market—as far as the bears were concerned—with a brick-in-the-hat trick every few minutes. Bears had the worst of it, as usual, with James A. Patten as master of ceremonies. The bulge in May wheat which came late in the session, was a foreshadowing of a separate schedule for the close another dose of tomcat price touching the highest point of the year, \$1.20's.

Early in the session the trade was quiet and of a spasmodic character. It was stimulated however, by heavy profit-taking, helped along greatly with the proper stimulus to a jaded appetite in the shape of Dr. Patten's buying order pellets. Along toward the close another dose of tomcat started ravenous buying and prices rushed skyward, touching the highest point of the year. July wheat also touched a new high level, selling at \$1.08.

High Prices Close Mills.

Most of the day's news was bullish, but there were features of the other sort, which were decidedly significant, although they had little influence on the market. Sensationally high prices current were bringing in the wheat at primary centers and also causing a general closing down of mills in the winter-wheat country.

High prices are having a notable effect on the winter-wheat miller, if not upon the consumer. Two of the big mills of St. Louis closed today, one to remain closed until the balance of the crop year. One of the leading mills of Milwaukee also closed, and mills throughout Kansas, unable to place their product in competition with Spring-wheat millers, were shutting down for their annual overhauling and repairs about a month earlier than usual. The Milwaukee mill said that the cause of its shut-down was that it was not selling any flour and that the mill was already full of flour that the owners had not yet ordered out.

Another influence, especially welcome to commission houses, was the unmistakable evidence of an expanding trade in wheat, the general public taking a greater interest than heretofore.

Popular sentiment was overwhelmingly

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"RAT POMPADOURS" BARRED IN STORE

GIRLS BEHIND COUNTERS MUST CUT DOWN HIRSEUTE BEAUTY.

"Puffs," "Janice Merediths" and Other Such Things Must Give Way to Plain Hair.

NEW YORK, April 1.—(Special.)—The girl behind the counter is writing under a cruel blow. The managers of the big department stores have put a ban on rats and puffs.

"Ladies," runs the edict, "hereafter you must appear in your own hair. Rat pompadours and puff spinners are no longer ladylike or comme il faut, nor are they 'de riger,' or 'ally mode.' Hereafter you will consider these suggestions as rules, any breach of which will be punished by a fine."

Manager Lynn, of the Wanamaker store, said that the girls had brought it on themselves by carrying the extravagant style in hair frilling to an impossible extreme. If the girls would only satisfy themselves with one modest rat and a couple of rakish puffs, all might have been well.

"And the strangest part of it all, to a male observer," said Manager Lynn, "is that they really think that beauty is enhanced by such monstrosities. Still we don't expect to experience much trouble in bringing about a change."

C. P. R. OFFICIALS ADAMANT

Present Ultimatum to Mechanics, and Strike Talk Increases.

WINNIPEG, April 1.—Officials of the Canadian Pacific Railroad told the road's mechanics at a conference today that they would insist on a separate schedule for the east and west divisions of the road. The firemen joined the mechanics at the conference. Talk of the possibility of a strike is heard on all sides.

It is expected that the miners will quit work tomorrow. Today all the miners had a holiday, celebrating their eight-hour day anniversary. It is expected that 1000 men will go out at Lethbridge, Alberta, in the morning.

RUN TRACKLESS TROLLEY

Harriman's Company Asks Franchise to His Ranch.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., April 1.—The Pacific Improvement Company petitioned the City Council tonight for the right to construct a power line to the Hope ranch, four miles west of the city. The company announced its intention of installing a "trackless trolley" system on the ranch. This is a new Australian invention, never before been tried in America. An overhead wire supplies power to a motor, the same as with other trolley cars, but the cars run without a track.

SHOOTS SON, HANGS SELF

Drunken Father Commits Suicide After Wounding Boy.

TACOMA, April 1.—In a drunken rage tonight, John Pursa, a miner residing at Wilkeson, shot his son, Frank, in the right arm, inflicting minor injuries, and an hour later hung himself by his suspenders from the bars of his cell in the Wilkeson jail.

Pursa made a simple loop in the suspenders and from the position in which his body was found, evidently forced himself to hang in the improvised noose until dead. He had been drinking heavily for a week or more.

METHUSELAH DEAD AT 1000

Had Spent Early Life Near Butte, but Moved to New York Recently.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Methuselah died here today at his home in the Bronx Zoo. He was 1000 years old. His death is ascribed to his incidental to old age. Methuselah, also known as Ramezes II, was a toad which was discovered in a rock pocket in a mine 500 feet below the surface at Butte, Mont., two years ago. His age was carefully computed by the zoologists and geologists.

WESTON STILL ON HIS WAY

Aged Pedestrian Slightly Discouraged at Being Late.

MEADVILLE, Pa., April 1.—Admittedly a little discouraged by hard traveling, Edward Payson Weston, the pedestrian, who is walking from New York to the Pacific Coast, arrived here at 7 o'clock tonight. He was greeted by several thousand citizens, and retired an hour after his arrival, and will leave tomorrow for Youngstown, Ohio.

INSURANCE LIMIT STANDS

Restriction on New Business Declared Valid by Court.

NEW YORK, April 1.—That section of the new insurance law of this state, which limited to \$250,000 the amount of business which an insurance company may write in one year, was declared constitutional by Judge O'Gorman today.

CERVERA'S CASE HOPELESS

Spanish Admiral Unconscious and Unable to Take Food.

PUERTO REAL, Spain, April 2.—The condition of Admiral Cervera, who is ill here, is considered to be hopeless. He is unconscious and is unable to take nourishment.

HARRIMAN WANTS RATE LAW REISED

Says Let Government Set Example.

THEN STATES WILL FOLLOW

Repressive Laws Stopped Building of Roads.

HE PUTS MONEY IN MEXICO

New Line to Mazatlan Develops Rich Territory—Only Subject of Conference With Hill Portland Terminals.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Bronzed by his week's sojourn under Southern skies, and brimming over with vitality, E. H. Harriman reached here late today, to all appearances a rejuvenated man, after his long combination vacation and business trip over the network of Harriman railroads in the West, the Southwest and Mexico.

"I have been made to say that we were constructing a line down the west coast of Mexico," he said. "What should have been said was that we had already constructed it. The line is now completed from Nogales, Ariz., on the Mexican line to Mazatlan, Mexico, and in reality a new country has been discovered by this railroad construction. In one tract opened up by irrigation, 600,000 acres of the best land is made available for cultivation and opened to a market. American help is needed in the development, in a directive way. There is plenty of labor, but American initiative and executive ability will count there as elsewhere."

Readjust Railroad Laws.

Mr. Harriman said he found in the West and Southwest a vastly changed sentiment toward the railroads. With such a sentiment there would be encouragement for the railroads to go ahead with development work, he said.

"Repeal of repressive state laws is imperative," he declared, "if the railroad lines that the people need and the railroads want to build are to be constructed. The truth is, the states in adopting these laws follow the example of the National Government. Now let the National Government see the error of its example. No repeal, but readjustment of the laws regulating the corporations, is necessary."

Mr. Harriman said he had heard little talk about the tariff in the Far West.

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