

GULLOUM ASSESSMENTS HIS RECORD CLEAR

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—In a brief statement in the Senate today Gulloum of Illinois said that never had a dollar been corruptly used in any of his elections. He declared the people of Illinois to be as moral as those of any other state and said they could take care of their own good name.

Announcing that he took the floor only because of the reflections on himself and his state in connection with the Lorimer case, the venerable Senator said he had not thought it becoming in him to discuss the Lorimer matter, either publicly or privately.

"When the time comes I shall vote according to the dictates of my conscience," he said.

"On five occasions when the people of Illinois signally honored me by electing me to the Senate," he continued, "there was not even the slightest suggestion of wrong doing in the Legislature in connection with my election.

"As a candidate for the Legislature, as a candidate for Governor, as a candidate for United States Senator, no one has ever charged that a single dollar was used to influence any member of the Legislature to vote for me. I have always been a strict party man and am now and have always received the support of my party when a candidate for public office. These are the facts. They speak for themselves. That is all I have to say concerning myself."

GOLDBERG WANTS CRUISER

Vancouver Man Insists Meyer Must Sell Boston to Him.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Proceedings in mandamus were instituted today by A. Goldberg, of Vancouver, B. C., against George von L. Meyer, Secretary of the Navy, to compel the Secretary to accept his bid of \$20,000 for the cruiser Boston and to deliver the vessel to him.

Mr. Goldberg says the Navy Department advertised for proposals for the purchase of the cruiser, and when the bids were opened December 7, his bid was found to be the highest submitted. He says thereby he became entitled to the boat.

Mr. Goldberg says he forwarded to the department a certified check for the amount of his bid, and that it then became the ministerial duty of the cabinet officer to order the delivery of the boat.

The Secretary also notified the purchaser that he would return the certified check and, over the refusal of Goldberg, did return it.

TWO CHILDREN CREMATED

Mother Saves Three by Dropping Them From Window.

NEWCASTLE, Pa., Feb. 8.—Two children were cremated, the mother seriously burned and three other children slightly hurt by being dropped from a second story window early today when fire destroyed the home of Peter Eckland, in South Newcastle.

The dead children are Arthur, 4, and Margaret, 2 months. The children dropped from the window by the mother are Helen, aged 11; Albert, 8, and Joseph, aged 7.

Mrs. Eckland sustained burns about the body and was injured when she leaped from the window. The husband was at work at a local steel mill.

Mrs. Eckland was awakened to find the rooms filled with smoke and the stairway a mass of flames. One by one she dropped three of her children from the window. By this time the room, in which the two younger children lay, was out off by flames and the mother leaped from the window to save her own life.

LLOYD-GEORGE MAY RESIGN

British Radical Leader Suffers From Nervous Prostration.

NAPLES, Feb. 8.—David Lloyd-George, the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, and his friends refuse to discuss the condition of his health, merely saying that he is taking a needed rest.

The reports, however, are that he is suffering from nervous prostration and that his conduct in the House of Commons, which may eventually force him to resign his portfolio.

David Lloyd-George left London January 24 for a fortnight's stay in Italy, according to dispatches on that date, to recuperate from throat troubles. A London dispatch on February 5 stated that he probably would remain at Naples another fortnight and perhaps longer, as his throat trouble was unexpectedly obstinate.

POLITICIANS IN A PANIC

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conference among several prominent Canon "Young Turk" and Democratic leaders. They had been confidentially imparted the information that Foreman Woodruff and his band of inquisitors had gone on a rampage and that dire things were to happen.

On top of this news came the disgusting report that the names of several politicians prominent in Vermillion County politics were under consideration, charges having been made that they used their influence in assisting a number of witnesses to cultivate the peculiar "Danville memory." These men were told that such interference with witnesses was a statutory offense.

New Street Commissioner Named.

PASCO, Wash., Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Marshall Hill, a pioneer of this place, has been appointed street commissioner and tax collector, in the place of Alf Buchanan, who resigned. The appointment was made by Mayor Gray.

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Resolution Now Has Advantage.

By becoming the "unfinished business," the resolution is to come before the Senate daily at 2 o'clock, and after that hour can exclude all other business except appropriation bills. This means that Senators who want to talk on this resolution will have to prepare and unobscure themselves, for the minute the debate closes, the Senate must, on motion, proceed to a vote. A bill that is the "unfinished business" enjoys a position of advantage, for it cannot be displaced by any other matters save appropriation bills. It is no longer necessary to fix a time for a vote. It is only necessary to keep up the debate until the opponents are talked out, and the vote follows as a matter of course.

Borah believes he will get a vote on his resolution in ample time to permit this resolution to get through the House and go to the President for signature. A number of other Senators are of the same opinion, and, strange to say, some of them, like Hale of Maine, do not favor popular elections. There is always a possibility in the Senate that anything may happen, the discussion of appropriation bills may be prolonged or, when the Borah forces are not in evidence, the opposition may displace this resolution and make some other measure the "unfinished business." The chances are of course not so good as they would be if the session was unlimited. There remains only a little over three weeks to get this resolution to the President, and ordinarily it would be said that the Senate could prevent a vote. But if the rushed resolution continues the unfinished business and the Senate as a whole good faith, a vote will be had and the resolution will be passed.

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COMMERCIAL RECIPROcity DEAL

British Tories Express Alarm. Last United States Win Canadian Market.

LIBERALS SAY POOH, POOH!

Austen Chamberlain Fears Grain May Be Drained to United States.

Buxton Says Canada Would Resent Interference.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Lewis Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said in the House of Commons today that there was no reason to believe Canada was desirous of submitting a question concerning imperial affairs to the judgment of other dominions. He understood, however, the impossibility of the immediate completion of the legislation necessary to effect the reciprocity agreement between the United States and Canada, and accordingly there would be ample time for consideration.

The Secretary's explanation was in reply to a request that the Colonial Office suggest that the Canadian government postpone its decision on the agreement until the imperial conference had been held.

The message from W. S. Fielding, the Canadian Fiscal Minister, defending the reciprocity arrangement, was published this morning and took some wind out of the sails of the Unionist staff.

Chamberlain Views With Alarm.

J. Austen Chamberlain asserted the agreement removed Canada from the imperial orbit and drew her into the vortex of imperial politics and the interests of the United States. One immediate result would be that food in England would cost more.

The British government, he asked, taking steps to secure for British manufacturers the same right of entry to the markets of the United States which the Canadian Ministers were securing for Canadian goods?

The ex-Chancellor added that the agreement would have far-reaching effects not only on the Dominion, but on the whole empire, and particularly on the relations which had prevailed up to the present time between Canada and the United Kingdom.

Mr. Chamberlain foresaw that the result of diverting Canadian wheat to the United States would be the converting of other crops in that country and a consequent increasing drain upon Canadian supplies heretofore sent to England.

Americans Will Benefit.

The railway trucks that carried wheat to the south would carry back American manufactures, to the detriment of British producers. An enormous stimulus would be given to stock-raising, further placing the producers of meat in Great Britain at the mercy of American trusts, while the manufacturing and producing power of the United States would be immensely enhanced, not only by the favorable terms of the agreement, but by the fact that the British government for having ignored the Canadian protests of preference and concluded by quoting Premier Laurier as a speaker in the House of Commons, would reform government were returned to power, there would be little prospect of any large measure of reciprocity with the United States.

Canada Free to Act.

Stanley Charles Buxton, president of the Board of Trade, answered that the government was not desirous of any reform would injure both this country and the empire. He said the statement made by the Canadian Minister Fielding was a complete answer to almost all of the serious arguments Mr. Chamberlain had used. He added that the British government had no apprehensions of the United States in regard to the proposed agreement.

The agreement of Canada is a very delicate matter to discuss, but the possibility of being misunderstood on the other side of the Atlantic, which is the last thing to be desired. Canada is free to act in this matter and the fact that they have come to terms with the United States is a matter on which they may congratulate themselves.

Danger Seen in Preference.

Mr. Buxton said the agreement afforded a good object lesson, showing the evils and dangers of the fiscal reforms advocated by the Unionists and pointed out that, if the policy of imperial preference had been in force, Canada would have been a member of England in reference thereto, with the result that the local interests of the Dominion would have been arrayed against Great Britain.

Such a situation, said Mr. Buxton, might have brought the chain of empire almost to the snapping point. He took the opportunity to mention that the Unionists were overdone and declared that, even if the proposed agreement had been in force in 1910, only 25 per cent of Great Britain's exports to Canada would have been expected.

The president of the Board of Trade argued that the more Canadian wheat went to the United States the more the United States sent to Great Britain, the result being that the prices will decline.

J. Austen Chamberlain, speaking of the agreement, said he was proud to rank himself as a disciple of the Canadian ministers to whose great policy of imperial preference the Unionists were now committed. Mr. Chamberlain declared that the provisional agreement was a conclusive instance of the value of a tariff in commercial negotiations.

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committees consider unnecessary. Mr. Grant replied, urging Senator Bourne to urge the passage of the bill. McNamara is Murderer. NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—King McNamara, who surrendered to the police last Sunday night and said he was wanted for a murder committed in Lexington, Ky., in 1899, was this afternoon identified in the Tombs by two Kentuckians, C. S. Wilkerson and J. L. Wilson, as the man who did the fatal shooting. The authorities suspected that McNamara was trying to get a free trip.

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