



## DEBATE WILL SOON END

### Brownsville Affair Will Be Investigated.

### RESOLUTION OFFERED

### Senate Will Decide Today If Committee Will Be Named for the Task.

### CORMACK SPRINGS SURPRISE

### Attacks Republican Senators Who Have Traduced Roosevelt, Saying They Are Inspired by Anger at His Better Deeds.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Senate leaders tonight regard the end of the Brownsville discussion to be in sight, and it is confidently expected that the compromise resolution offered by Foraker just before the close of today's session will be adopted. Foraker had the floor to make what he today expressed his hope would be the concluding speech on the subject. He will proceed immediately after the morning business tomorrow unless interfered with by a special order of today. Whether he speaks tomorrow or Friday, it is expected that the votes will soon follow, although it is possible that other brief speeches will be made before the end is reached.

Foraker's substitute is: "Resolved, that the committee on military affairs is hereby authorized and directed by a sub-committee or otherwise, to take and have printed the testimony, for the purpose of ascertaining all the facts in reference to or connected with the affray at Brownsville, Texas, on the night of August 13, 1896. Said committee is authorized to send for persons and papers; administer oaths; to sit during the sessions of the senate, and if deemed advisable, at Brownsville or elsewhere; the expense of the investigation to be paid out of the contingent fund of the Senate." The language of this provision is satisfactory to Lodge and other supporters of the administration, and it is believed will be unanimously adopted.

A feature of today's debate was the arraignment by Senator Carmack of Republican senators who have criticized the President for his action in the Brownsville matter. He regarded it as an attempt to "dethrone" the President as leader of the party. Carmack asserted the President had done enough to alarm any friend of the constitution, but with all that, he has had the enthusiastic support of all the senators on the Republican side.

He declared it was through the better acts of this administration that the President has aroused such deadly antagonism within his own party. He might have continued to trample on the law to the end of them, and there would have been no voice of protest, if he had not otherwise offended. The President has made the mistake of compelling his party to break with its old time friends and to turn its guns upon its allies of a hundred battles; he has brought the great railways and trusts to know that there are such things as government. His party leaders have yielded a snarling and reluctant half-way obedience to his will, bidding time and opportunity to strike.

"It is an effort to put the party back into its old position, to renew its old alliances, make peace with its old time friends and renew its covenant with

the plunderers and oppressors of the American people."

Carmack said all the resources of the "gentleman in the White House" cannot stay the inevitable. He has attempted the impossible task of re-creating the Republican party. He told the Republican senators they must make a choice of alternatives: either to renominate President Roosevelt or "give us back our platform."

Senators Stone, Money and Knox followed, each upholding the authority of the President to take the action he did. Foraker started to make his closing speech, but was interrupted by the adjournment of the Senate.

### TAPPED WIRES.

All Went Well Until Officers Arrested Telegraph Operator.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Jan. 16.—After winning \$2,000 in a local pool room on the results of races at Oakland and Ascot, Wm. Molden, a telegraph operator in the employ of the Postal Telegraph company, was yesterday arrested on a charge of sending false messages. The pool room management alleges that he was a party to a successful wire tapping scheme.

Molden commenced betting with \$40 and made three bets, which netted him \$1,905. It was later learned by the manager of the pool room that false returns had been received over the wire, as two of the horses on which Molden had cashed bets were not winners on today's card. When arrested Molden declared that he had done the betting for another man, a stranger to whom he had turned over the winnings and from whom he had received \$100 for his services. He was unable to describe this man. No other arrests have been made.

### BALLOONS AT FAIR.

Jamestown Exposition Will Have Separate Buildings for Exhibit.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The details of the Aeronautic Congress to be held at the Jamestown exposition this summer were formulated at the meeting of the committee of the aeronauts held last evening. The exhibition of models and other paraphernalia which is to be the most extensive ever shown, will be placed in separate buildings devoted exclusively to the subject.

A committee of five composed of Captain H. W. Hedge, chairman; Dr. J. P. Thomas, A. M. Herring, Leo Stevens, and E. Bronson, was appointed to make arrangements for the meeting. The question of racing was discussed and it was determined to hold a number of series of every conceivable variety in addition to other prize competitions in lines incidental to the sport.

### CUTS OWN BILL.

State Printer Duniway Departs From Usual Custom of Employees.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 16.—The House session opened this morning with the calendar fight. State Printer Duniway spoke in favor of a new form of daily calendar, and said:

"I think this is the first time an Oregon state printer ever asked the legislature to cut \$10,000 from his yearly salary; but I want you to do it. If you adopt the form I advise, the calendar will cost \$7,500, instead of \$17,000, for the session."

Jackson of Douglas and Speaker Davey favored the measure, and the House applauded Duniway, and at the close suspended the rules twice and passed the simplified calendar form.

Later Jones of Lincoln attempted to have a bill passed doing away with calendars entirely, but the resolution came too late.

### NEW LINER LAUNCHED.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The Holland American line received a cable from Belfast yesterday announcing the successful launching of their new twin screw liner Rotterdam. The Rotterdam will register 23,700 tons and will have accommodations for 500 first and 600 second class passengers. She will make her maiden trip to New York in April of next year.

## SUSPICION AROUSED

### Kendall's Remains Lack Vital Organs.

### MOTIVE IS MYSTERIOUS

### Body Guard of Heney May Have Been Poisoned Because of Position.

### AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATE

### Supposed to Have Died of Meningitis, But Symptoms Are Declared to Be Rather Those of Person Who Had Been Poisoned.

PORTLAND, Jan. 16.—Circumstances that have developed since the death in San Francisco last Friday of Oscar J. Kendall, body guard to Assistant United States Attorney General Francis J. Heney, have given rise to strong suspicions in the minds of the family and friends of the deceased that he did not die a natural death, as was supposed, but that he was the victim of foul play. Conditions disclosed through an autopsy performed in this city lead the operating physician to suspect that, instead of dying from the effects of cerebro-spinal meningitis, Mr. Kendall was killed by poisoning.

Investigation has disclosed the fact that the symptoms manifested by the patient during his brief illness, instead of being those of meningitis, were those of poisoning, and all the information which has thus far been secured points so strongly to foul play that a thorough investigation has been started by the authorities, who are determined to run the matter to the ground and in some way or other clear up the suspicious circumstances, which have come to light.

The most suspicious of these circumstances was furnished through the discovery after the arrival of the body in this city that every vital organ in it had been removed and newspapers stuffed in their place. Where, when and for what purpose these organs were removed constitute the mystery which has aroused the family, friends and authorities to determined action.

### DUNBAR NOT BLAMED.

Lack of Printing Supply Costs State Five Thousand Dollars.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 16.—Because there were no printed supplies, the House adjourned to Monday at noon today. The legislature has lost a day and a half already for the same reason. Thus the first week of the legislature will have wasted four and a half days, or about \$5,000, because the secretary of state did not order the necessary supplies before the session convened. The printer has worked his forces twenty-four hours a day since Monday, but a great mass of supplies could not be printed in a day.

House members are stirred up over the delay, but the animus is not against Dunbar, whose request this morning for simple calendars to save \$10,000 a session in printer's bills, impressed the legislators.

### PRINCE TAKES STUMP.

German Chancellor Will Appeal in Favor of Imperial Policy.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—Prince von Buelow, the German chancellor, it is stated here, has decided to take part in

the electoral campaign. This is a step against all traditions, and is brought about, it is said, because of the unfavorable signs so far as the government is concerned, in the election prospects.

The chancellor is expected to take the stump on Saturday and will appeal in behalf of the imperial policy as against that of the Socialists and other opposition parties. The speech will be made to a select audience at a banquet, but it will be sent broadcast through Germany. The move is supposed to have been inspired by the Kaiser.

### TROUBLE IN EXCHANGE.

Caused by Trading in Stocks Not on Stock Exchange List.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The Tribune today says that many brokers in the financial district are expecting a declaration of war between the stock exchange and the produce exchange ever since the produce exchange board of managers reported at the beginning of this month in favor of trading in mining and industrial stocks which are not on the stock exchange list and which have been traded in extensively on the Broad street curb. The special committee appointed by the produce exchange to formulate rules for an increase of trading will make its report on February 7, but it is expected that the stock exchange recommendations will embrace nearly all of those recognized on the curb.

In commenting on this, a leading official of the stock exchange is quoted as saying: "If the produce exchange plan contemplates trading in practically all curb stocks, the stock exchange will cut off its produce exchange connections and force its members to resign as produce exchange members. If that does not suffice, we will move the curb to the stock exchange, not cutting out the trading in worthless stocks. At the present nine-tenths of the curb trading is for the benefit of the stock exchange firms."

### MURDERER RECAPTURED.

With Another Desperado Broke Jail at Butte Montana.

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 16.—Sheriff Charles Henderson is in receipt of advice from San Bernardino, Calif., to the effect that Charles Lennox, an escaped murderer from this place, is under arrest awaiting the sentence of death. He effected his escape from the jail here in a general delivery, in which his partner, James Martin, also escaped. Martin was subsequently recaptured and executed for his crime. Lennox and Martin killed a locomotive fireman named Williams here about three years ago, while they were holding him up.

### NEW SHIP CHARTERED.

Big Vessel Will Carry Pacific Coast Lumber to Orient.

PORTLAND, Jan. 16.—Taylor Young & Company have chartered the German steamship Tiberius and the British steamship Strathclyde to transport lumber cargoes from Portland to China. The former will arrive and load in February, and the latter in March. The aggregate carrying capacity of the vessels is 6,500,000 feet of Oregon fir, each being capable of handling a trifle more than 3,200,000 feet.

### ASSASSIN WAS ARISTOCRAT.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 16.—Consternation has been caused in governmental circles by the discovery that the assassin of General von der Leunitz, late prefect of police, was the son of a prominent personage connected with the government and a member of an aristocratic family.

### BOMB IN BANK.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—A St. Petersburg dispatch published here today, says that the Municipal Credit Company's bank burst into flames at midnight after a loud explosion in the interior and that some persons are known to have been killed.

## WORST FEARS CONFIRMED

### Kingston Earthquake Was Very Destructive.

### HUNDREDS ARE KILLED

### All Buildings Within Radius of Ten Miles Reported Demolished.

### MISERY IS INDESCRIBABLE

### Money is Useless—Provisions Urgently Needed—People Are Warned to Keep Away—Dead Being Buried Under Ruins.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Brief dispatches received here tonight, including some from Kingston direct, declaring one hundred persons had been killed by the earthquake Monday, leave the country apparently to renewed suspense as to the fate of Jamaica's capital. Earlier reports had tended to minimize the worst features of the first messages received, and although there is disinclination to credit larger estimates, the relief felt this afternoon has given place to despondency at the possibility that the worst fears will be realized when authentic accounts of the disaster come to hand. Great satisfaction is felt here at the action of the American government in taking prompt steps to investigate the real situation and afford necessary succor to the stricken city. Relief is also felt at the safety of Sir Alfred Jones and his party. Up to a late hour, the colonial office had no further news to give out. At the time of writing this dispatch, however, a dispatch was received from Sir Alfred addressed to Elder Demster & Company, confirming the worst fears. Sir Alfred says Kingston was overwhelmed by earthquake Monday. All the houses within a radius of ten miles were destroyed. Fire broke out after the earthquake and completed the destruction. It is estimated that one hundred persons were killed and one thousand were injured. Public hospitals and offices and hospitals are in ruins. Among the killed were Sir James Ferguson, many prominent merchants and many natives. No fatalities occurred at Constant Springs Hotel.

Sir Alfred's message is practically identical with other messages from Kingston, including one from the correspondent of the Standard, who is with the Jones party. With this exception: All others give the death list as several hundred, while a dispatch received by the West India Cable Co. says the loss of life is "heavy."

ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., Jan. 16.—A report received here from Jamaica says it is estimated that one thousand persons were killed by the earthquake and fire, and ninety thousand are homeless. The damage to Kingston alone is placed at fully \$10,000,000. Advice state that all persons have been warned to keep away from Kingston. The stench is described as something awful. Money is useless. Banks have been burned, but the vaults are supposed to be safe. The misery on all sides is indescribable. Provisions of all kinds are urgently needed. It is impossible to say where anybody can be found. Sir James Ferguson, vice chairman of the Royal Mail Steamship Company, is among the killed. The dead are being buried under smoldering ruins. The inhabitants of the mercantile com-

munity suffered most severely, warehouses falling upon them. Many were found dead or injured. Negroes are looting. Ghastly scenes are being witnessed. All shops are destroyed and all buildings in and around Kingston are in ruins. Very few of them are safe to live in. The governor and his party are safe. It is reported that an extinct volcano in Portland Parish is showing signs of activity, but this has not been verified. No news has yet been received from other parts of the Island of Jamaica, communication being very difficult.

NAPLES, Jan. 16.—Professor Matteucci, director of the observatory at Mount Vesuvius, reports increased agitation of this volcano, coincident with the Kingston earthquake.

### MEETS AWFUL DEATH.

Aged Portland Woman Burned While at Household Duties.

PORTLAND, Jan. 16.—Mrs. Nancy J. McCalla, an aged and well known pioneer woman, met a terrible death by burning at her home today. There was no other occupant in the house when the accident occurred. From appearances, Mrs. McCalla while stirring the fire in the kitchen set fire to her clothing and went to the sink in the pantry for water. She apparently found her efforts fruitless, for pieces of burned clothing show that she ran to the front of the house, evidently to call some neighbor, and overcome by her suffering and exhaustion, she dropped headlong over a chair near the front door. People in the neighborhood who saw the smoke coming from the windows, went to the house, to find Mrs. McCalla expiring.

### NEW DRASTIC BILL.

Provides Equal and Adequate Service From Public Service Corporations.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 16.—Campbell of Clackamas introduced a bill on public service corporations of a sweeping character. The bill applies to telephone, telegraph, railroad, gas, power, steamer, electric light and express companies, and defines the duties of officers with remedies and penalties for abuse of power or failure in duty. It provides equal and sufficient service from all corporations to all patrons on due notice. The rates for service are not to return more than 2 per cent annually above the legal interest paid on actual capital invested. The capital invested is not to be held more than a third above the assessed valuation.

If the corporation is guilty of not giving equal service, the officers are to be fined, the persons prosecuting to receive ten times the amount of damages sustained by the failure. The most important provision is the giving attorney general power to proceed to take away the franchises of any corporation convicted of three violations in a year. He is to get judgment and sell the property for the amount of invested capital or less. The old officers are not to have charge of the offending corporation for five years. The bill finally provides that the state can revoke any lease between a corporation and sub-corporation.

### TEST CASE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16.—The initial step in an international test case between Japan and the United States over the exclusion of Japanese children from the schools will be taken tomorrow, when Kel Kechi Aoki, a ten-year-old Japanese boy, accompanied by his father, will demand admission at Redding primary school. He will be refused admission on the ground that it is contrary to state law. An issue having been thus made suit will be at once filed in the federal court.

### SPIES IN AMERICA.

EL PASO, Jan. 16.—Three Japanese who have been employed as servants by officers at Fort Clark, have mysteriously disappeared. Their actions in examining the fort and equipment, their close attention to drilling and the discovery that they were frequently making memoranda, led to the belief that they were Japanese spies.