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## BILL TO ABOLISH COMPULSORY PILOTAGE HAS FAIR CHANCE

Report Adopted Over Protests of Scholfield

NORMAL SCHOOL FIGHT

Chamberlain Opposed to Immigration But Wants to Please President

HE ADVISES CONSERVATISM

Senator Thinks Each State Has the Right to Arrange Separate Schools For Foreign Children—Wants the Legislature to Trust in President.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 9.—A favorable report on the bill to abolish compulsory pilotage was adopted over the protests of Senator Scholfield of Astoria who predicted that such a measure would mean the piling up of ships on the Columbia River bar.

Another active fight over the normal school question is promised over the recommendation of the house on ways and means committee that there would be only one normal school and that this will be located at Monmouth and that \$110,000 will be appropriated for it. This is in direct opposition to the recommendation of the board of regents which urged that Oregon adopt three school systems. To preserve Dr. John Loughlin's home at Oregon City, \$1200 was appropriated by the house today. The house passed a bill placing the control of the Roseburg Soldiers' Home in charge of the G. A. R. and adopted the report of the judiciary committee favoring an addition to supreme bench. Declaring that senate bill to prohibit the bleaching of flour would mean a loss of \$600,000 a year to the growers of Eastern Oregon the senate today indefinitely postponed the measure.

Governor Chamberlain, after the defeat of the Bailey resolution regarding the Japanese exclusion by the Senate today issued a statement on the subject. He says: "I am not entirely familiar with the character of the anti-Japanese legislation pending before the California legislature. Personally, I am oppos-

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OLYMPIA, Feb. 9.—Seeking to end the custom of exacting pledges from candidates of the legislature to support certain bills or measures, the senate today passed a bill providing that any candidate who signs such pledges shall be disqualified from holding the office he seeks. It was acknowledged on the floor of the Senate by framers of the bill that it was drafted particularly at labor organizations but is designed also to apply to compact with working organizations such as the anti-saloon league or the anti-vice association. The bill passed after a long debate. The bill will now become effective.

ed on principal to the Chinese, Japanese and all kinds of Japanese immigration, but I am inclined to think in the present emergency and in view of the efforts of the President to secure amicable adjustment of the relations between this country and the Empire of Japan the state legislatures ought to be conservative in all legislation on the subject, trusting to a satisfactory outcome of negotiations now pending between the two governments. Hasty, ill-advised or retaliatory measures at this time might seriously interfere with these negotiations and precipitate a conflict between the two countries which might, by a conservative course be entirely avoided. With reference to public schools I am of the opinion that each state has a right to arrange for separate schools for the children within its jurisdiction and for the support of which the citizens tax themselves classifying and separating the pupils in such and any way as the law-making body may deem best."

## RUMOR OF WARSHIP COLLISION AT SEA

LONDON GETS REPORT THAT BATTLE GEORGE HAS MISHAP—RUMOR DOUBTED.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—According to dispatches received by the news agency here today from Gibraltar reports are current that a collision occurred between the battleship Georgia and others United States battleships. Nothing is known here official of such occurrence and little credence is given thereto. Wireless dispatches received yesterday reported all well with the fleet.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—No word has reached the navy department to confirm the report of the collision of the Georgia with another battleship. Secretary Newberry states that the means of communication are such that the department would have surely been advised of such mishap had it occurred.

POSTPONE ANTI-JAP BILL.

CARSON CITY, Nev., Feb. 9.—The Giffen anti-Japanese bill was laid on the table by the unanimous vote of the senate today. Several senators talk of taking the bill from the table in order to press a vote but there seems to be a unanimous impression that such bill would not receive a single vote.

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school directors or for any legislative body who sign similar anti-election pledges. It also makes the acceptance of an annual retainer for looking after the interests of persons, companies or corporations, disqualification for holding office as a member of the legislature. The bill was warmly contested by minority members who sought to have restriction on signing secret pledges. This movement failed and the bill carried by 27 to 11. The house today concurred in striking out by the senate of emergency the clause in the anti-race track gambling bill. The bill will now become effective.

## JUST NERVOUS.

Her on hundredth and fiftieth performance of "Love Watches" cost Miss Billie Burke a wonderful pair of new gloves just sent from London. As Miss Burke tells the story, the audience that night "simply would have a speech; so I told them—"One hundred and fifty nights ago I thanked you for that one night; tonight I thank you again. I thank you one hundred and fifty times for the one hundred and fifty nights. It is the things I would like to say that I cannot say, for I never was so happy or so nervous before in my life. I found this out on getting back to my dressing room and discovered that I never knew I possessed, torn the fingers entirely off one of my new gloves."

## SOME WILD SHOOTING.

RATON, N. M., Feb. 9.—Deputy Sheriff Jay Gale shot and killed a negro porter and fatally wounded James Baker, while trying to kill Polo Contau, an ex-convict, who was released from the territorial prison two days ago. Contau had threatened to kill Gale on sight and when the deputy sheriff saw him sitting in the saloon he opened fire. Both his shots glanced from an iron stove, striking the two men while Contau escaped. Gale is under arrest.

## FORTUNE IN MATTRESS.

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Feb. 9.—More than \$50,000 in cash has been found in a mattress on the bed of James Maher, a Civil War veteran who died here Sunday. His two sons, James and Lawrence, will inherit the money. The old soldier, who died in his 71st year, had been a prisoner at Andersonville during the Civil War and drew a government pension. He had been ill for 14 years and during all that time did not leave his room. His pension money, together with a large part of his life savings, he had placed carefully in the mattress.

## CLAIM NONE OF IT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—The United States government disavows all responsibility for the recent remarks made by Representative Rainey of Illinois criticizing President Obaldia of Panama. This is indicated in a letter sent today by Secretary Bacon to C. C. Arosmena, minister from Panama, in reply to a protest by the latter in behalf of his government.

## PORTLAND POWER PLANT HAS LARGE FIRE

LOSS ESTIMATED AT \$25,000 BUT IS FULLY COVERED BY INSURANCE.

PORTLAND, Feb. 9.—A fire of unknown origin destroyed the carpentering department of the shops of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., at Twenty-third and Washington streets early tonight. The loss was \$25,000 which was covered by insurance.

## A RARE CASE.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—K. R. Saitow, said to be the first Japanese to appeal for alms in the history of the police department here, arrived at a police station last night and asked for shelter from the rain. "I arrived in the city only today, and I am tired looking for work," he said. "It is unusual for one of my race to ask for assistance of any kind in this land."

## WILL BE FINISHED SOON.

TAFT, Mont., Feb. 9.—The Taft tunnel of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul connecting Montana and Idaho was broken open today. The tunnel is nearly 9000 feet long and penetrates the Bitter Root range. Officials who witnessed the last shot today, predicted that freight trains would be running through it within a month.

## CHINESE HAVE KICK COMING

Complain of Discrimination Against Their Race

APPEAL TO PRESIDENT

Declare Roosevelt's Sentiment is in Great Conflict With Actual Facts

TELL OF INSPECTORS' ABUSE

Communication States That Immigration Official Treat Chinese en Route to East From San Francisco as if They Were Criminals.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9.—In a telegraphic communication addressed to President Roosevelt and sent today by the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, better known as the "Chinese Six Companies", the attention of the President is called to certain instances wherein it is affirmed, the executive department has sought for the Japanese residents of California many rights and privileges that the Chinese have long been denied. The letter calls attention to the fact that restrictions of the Chinese are in flagrant conflict with the sentiment expressed by the President in a recent communication relative to the Japanese. Discrimination is apparent, the letter states, from the fact that the department of labor and commerce now imposes on the Chinese merchants, their families, and persons of Chinese descent, all of whom are privileged under the treaty, every conceivable embarrassment which is in no way suffered by the Japanese. Segregation of school children is mentioned; as it is a "Well known fact that the inspectors of immigration throughout the United States where Chinese are concerned are violating every letter of the 4th amendment to the constitution of the United States. Chinese are arrested, searched and their papers, the only means by which they may be identified are confiscated. Memorial states: "It is a well known fact that under your administration the immigration inspectors treat the Chinese en route to the East from San Francisco as if they were escaping criminals."

The memorial speaks of other alleged abuses by immigration officials. It concludes by appealing to the President to right the wrongs suffered by subjects of the Chinese Empire as well as the native born Chinese citizens of this country.

## GRAND JURY INDICTS TIMBER THIEVES

26 REPRESENTATIVES OF BIG CORPORATIONS CHARGED BY FEDERAL BODY.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Feb. 9.—Indictments against 26 representatives of big corporations charging them with having stolen valuable timber from lands in Oklahoma were returned by the federal grand jury today. Judge Campbell issued strict orders that no names shall be given out until the indicted persons have been arrested.

## SERVED HIM RIGHT.

Bumptious Chicago Policeman Loses His Temper And His Star.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Harry P. Stack, a policeman, has had charges following an attack made upon him in a street car by indignant passengers who resented the beating of Otto Tosch for stepping on his toes. The patrolman was rescued only after a riot call had been sent to a police station. Tosch was taken to a hospital. His scalp had been cut and his eyes were closed from blows. Tosch accidentally stepped on Stack's foot and the latter, it is charged, struck him with his club. Women passengers screamed and rushed to the front platform to alight when the fight began. Tosch was unable to defend himself and after he had been struck several times, went down. Mrs. Tosch, standing at a crossing waiting for her husband, saw him fall. She boarded the car and at the head of a crowd of indignant passengers attacked the policeman. They did a thorough job, tearing off his star, dragging him from the car and rolling him in the slush and mud.

## FIERCE STORM RAGING IN CENTRAL STATES

SNOW AND COLD STOPS TRAFFIC AND FORCES SCHOOLS TO SUSPEND.

ALBERT LEA, Minn., Feb. 9.—By the severe storm last night and today, traffic was practically abandoned. The drifts are eight feet high in the streets.

SUPERIOR, WIS., Feb. 9.—One of the fiercest snowstorms in years are raging here with a 60-mile gale.

HURON, S. D., Feb. 9.—Yesterday's wind and snowstorm continues with increased fury. Snow is piled in immense drifts and there are no indications of abatement. Trains, business and schools have been suspended.

VERMILLION, S. D., Feb. 9.—A blizzard is raging in Southwestern Dakota far worse than the one two weeks ago. Traffic and schools are entirely suspended.

## CITY DADS RENEGUE.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—The city council last night practically nullified its action of a week ago, creating a fictitious ward secretaryship at \$1500 a year to equalize the salaries of the holdover aldermen with the \$3000 a year voted to the incoming aldermen. The chairman of the finance committee who proposed the subterfuge, asked to have the "Secretaryship" provision of the ordinance reconsidered with the purpose of burying it in committee. This was done. The action was taken because of the unfavorable attitude of the mayor.

## TAFT ON BIRMINGHAM.

PORT EADS, La., Feb. 9 (Wireless via New Orleans).—The scout cruiser Birmingham, with Judge Taft aboard arrived off Mississippi Passes tonight. Taft will make the trip from the Passes to New Orleans on the Birmingham Thursday.

## CONDEMN JAP ACTION.

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—Resolutions condemning the action against the Japanese in California were taken by the executive council of Massachusetts board of trade here today.

## MURDERER LYNCHED.

HOUSTON, Miss., Feb. 9.—Roby Baskin, the murderer of Rev. W. T. Hudson was lynched by a mob here today. The crowd hanged him to a tree. Not a shot was fired and the whole proceeding was orderly.

## SENATORS DISCUSS SEA LEVEL IN PLACE OF LOCK PLAN CANAL

TALKED BACK AT HIM. Polish Students Disagreed With Lecture By Professor.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—An oral clash between Professor Jerome H. Raymond of the University of Chicago, and a delegation of young Polish-American professional men and students furnished an unexpected climax at the close of the professor's lecture on "Poland" last night. The Polish-Americans took public issue with the Professor on the general trend of his portrayal of the Polish people and their character, history, ideals and government. They had heard of previous lectures the Professor had delivered and had made preparations to refute his statements. He discussed history from his viewpoint and at the close predicted that Poland's freedom and independence most probably would come through the growth and spread of Socialism in Russia, Germany and Austria. The Polish delegation listened intently, showing disapproval of some remark in some mild manner until the professor closed. Then some stepped to the front and in the hearing of the audience engaged in an open discussion with the speaker.

## BAN ON TIPPING.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Not only has "tipping" come under the ban of the Chicago Athletic Association, but strenuous efforts will be made to discipline any member who violates the rule that eliminates the fee habit in the clubhouse. According to a rule passed by the house committee, the position of any employee who accepts a tip is jeopardized. New members are informed by a circular letter that they will be prosecuted by the committee if they aid or abet any employees in receiving tips.

## ONE KILLED AND TWO INJURED IN FIRE

CAUSED BY COLLISION OF A SWITCH ENGINE WITH M. K. & T. TRAIN.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Feb. 9.—One man dead and two seriously injured and property damaged to the value of \$30,000 as a result of a fire which followed the collision of a switch engine with a train of the M. K. & T. yards here this evening. The collision set fire to a number of cars of oil and flames spreading to the elevator and oil refinery. The refinery is a total loss.

## KING EDWARD GETS WARM WELCOME

Berlin Receives English Monarch—Much Cordial Feeling Between Two Powers

BERLIN, Feb. 9.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra's arrival today in fulfillment of the promise made last summer and were warmly welcomed by Emperor William and the people of Berlin. Demonstration by the unemployed, planned to coincide with the arrival of the visiting monarch was only partially successful. Several meetings of unemployed were held after which those present formed in two processions and started on a march to the palace. Their progress was intercepted by police. Several men suffered sabre wounds and others were arrested. Interest was centered in the speeches of the King

Foraker and Teller Agree With Kittredge's Plan

WOULD BE CHEAPER

Adverse Report Presented on Hopkins' Bill Starts Debate

NOT TOO LATE TO CHANGE

House Spends Six Hours Discussing Bill Materially Changing Methods of Administration in the Panama Canal Zone.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—Senate discussed today the type of canal that should be constructed at Panama. Senator Kittredge, chairman of the committee on inter-oceanic canals precipitated the debate by presenting an adverse report on the Hopkins bill authorizing secretary of the treasury to issue bonds to the extent of \$500,000,000 for the construction of the canal. At the reading of the statement of the expenditures on the canal to date, he declared that the completion of the lock canal would cost \$400,000,000 and insisted that a great mistake had been made in not adhering to the plan of building a sea level canal which he said would be cheaper than the lock canal. Senator Foraker and Teller both joined Kittredge in declaring that the sea level canal should be constructed and Kittredge said it was not too late to abandon the lock project. For nearly six hours the house discussed today a bill materially changing the methods of administering in the Panama canal zone and constructing the canal. Amendments almost without number were aimed at the measure but with one or two exceptions they failed of adoption. Consideration of the bill was completed but because of the threatened roll call by opponents of the bill and the hour being late, Mann having it in charge did not ask for a vote.

## KILL ELECTION BILL.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 9.—The senate today by a strictly party vote killed the house primary election bill which is patterned after the Oregon law and which relates solely to the election of United States senator.

## BILLS PASSED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—Among the bills passed by the house today was one granting the privilege of immediate transportation of dutiable merchandise without appraisal to the sub ports of Blaine and Sumas, Wash. and Emperor tonight at a banquet. The utterances of both were most cordial, each expressing peaceful sentiments and close relations existing between the two nations.