



APPROPRIATION BILLS STILL ENGAGE HOUSE AND SENATE

Forest Service Methods Denounced by Hepburn

HOUSE DEFIES SENATE

Rejects Its Amendments to the Legislative Appropriation Salary Bill

INVOLVES SALARY PRESIDENT

Many Parliamentary Tangles and Snarls Occurred During Debate and Interfered With the Meetings of the Different Committees.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—The agricultural appropriation bill was discussed in the Senate most of the day. Senator McCumber of North Dakota spoke for eight fixed standards for grain and declared the present practices make it impossible for the sale of western grain at prices to which it is really entitled. Hepburn denounced the methods of administering the forest service. Consideration of the bill was not concluded.

Upon Senators Foraker of Ohio and Clark of Arkansas, depends whether the judiciary committee of the Senate will declare the absorption of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company by the United States Steel Corporation to have been in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust law and whether President Roosevelt had the right to sanction the merger. The committee today considered the report of a majority of the sub-committee which investigated the merger and by a vote of three to two condemned the merger and the President's action in permitting it. Finally it was agreed to meet next Friday and vote on the report. Senators Kittredge, Culberson and Overman who signed the majority report declared the vote of the committee will be at least seven to six for its adoption. The claim is opposed by Clark of Wyoming and Dillingham, a minority of the sub-committee and by Knox who is working to uphold the President's course. Other members do not profess know how Clark of Arkansas and Foraker will vote. Those who are known to be for the report are Nelson and Kittredge, Republicans; Bacon, Culberson, Overman and Raynor, Democrats. Against it are Clark of Wyoming, Depew,

FISHERIES BILL PASSED SENATE

Same Measure as Agreed Upon by the Two States at the Meeting in Seattle

OLYMPIA, Feb. 24.—The act endorsed by the Commercial Travelers' and the Hotelkeepers' Associations, regulating hotels and lodging houses, has passed both branches of the Legislature, the House adopting it this morning by 72 to 12. The act requires fire escapes on hotels of more than two stories, and the keeping of ropes in rooms of hotels of less than three stories. It requires the bedding to be of the present standard size, and fixes numerous sanitary regulations. An attempt in the House this morning to increase

Dillingham, Knox and Fulton, Republicans. Upon the suggestion of Overton the report was modified to declare that the deal "Appears to the committee to be a violation of the law."

WITH WAR PAINT ON.

House Goes After Senate's Pet Salary Measure.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—With war paint on, the House today defied the Senate by rejecting its amendments to the legislative appropriation bill providing for salary increase, for the President, Vice-President, Speaker, judiciary and for creation of the offices of under-secretary and fourth assistant secretary of state. Party lines were obliterated completely. Many parliamentary tangles occurred during the debate that caused the Speaker to wield the gavel with great frequency.

Interest in the House debate on the salary increase interfered twice today with the meeting of the house committee on postoffices and post roads to consider in the Senate the ocean mail subsidy bill. A meeting will be held tomorrow morning and it is believed the bill will then be reported. Members said to stand 10 to 8 in its favor. It is planned to bring in a special rule for passage of the bill if it is favorably acted upon.

TAFT FINISHES SELECTING HIS CABINET

FRANKLIN MAC VEAGH OF CHICAGO TO BE SECRETARY OF TREASURY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—President-Elect Taft completed his cabinet today with the offer of the treasury portfolio and its acceptance. That the offer was made and accepted by Franklin MacVeagh of Chicago is as near positive statement of what is believed the fact as may be made in the face of an absolute refusal by Taft to throw any light on the situation. In spite of the strong belief that MacVeagh has accepted the portfolio it is reported the name of A. B. Hepburn of New York, former comptroller of currency, had figured largely in the conference on the subject. It is assumed that should anything eliminate MacVeagh from the list, Hepburn would be selected.

ALMOST ALL IN.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 24.—E. J. (Lucky) Baldwin, is again reported as very low this afternoon.

DRY COUNTIES IN INDIANA.

Forty-one Out of a Total of 92 Have the Lid On.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 24.—As the result of local option election held in five counties yesterday 41 or Indiana's 92 counties have declared against the sale of liquor. Elections will be held in seven more this week.

GAMBLERS DOWN AND OUT.

Nevada Assembly Passes the Anti-Gambling Act by Big Majority.

CARSON, Nev., Feb. 24.—Assembly bill No. 74, better known as the anti-gambling bill, a bill directed to prohibit licensed gambling in Nevada, came up by special order in the Assembly at 2:10 o'clock this afternoon. After heated arguments the bill was passed by a vote of 27 to 20.

ENGINEERS ADVOCATE GATUM DAM SYSTEM

INDULGE IN SARCASTIC COMMENT ON ENGINEER'S REPORT OF CANAL.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 24.—Earnest advocates of the Gatun dam to confine the waters of the Chagres River at Panama were found among members of American institutes during their discussion of the Panama canal today.

Opposition to the lock type was led by Henry G. Granger of Cartagena, Columbia, who attacked the report made by the engineers who went to Panama with Taft. If an engineer had to go he declared it unfortunate that their nominator did not pass through the office of the Chicago drainage canal and go to the camps of contractors who had to use their brains to save money by new methods and devices. It was also to be regretted that engineers were chosen who had been found guilty of seeing a point and generating a germ of an idea which they fostered into careful development.

PASSES ANTI-ALIEN BILL.

CARSON, Nev., Feb. 24.—The Senate of Nevada Legislature today passed the anti-alien bill which had already been adopted by the assembly. It is in the form of a joint concurrent resolution providing that all aliens and foreigners shall be excluded from federal and state grazing lands, and the national congress is asked to pass such a bill.

GOVERNMENT TO OPERATE STEAMSHIP LINE

BILL INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS APPROPRIATING \$10,000,000 FOR PLAN.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—Representative McLachal of California, introduced a bill directing the Panama Railroad Company to operate a line of steamers between the Principal American ports on the Pacific Coast and western terminus of the railroads at Panama. In an address to the House he explained that the bill authorizes an appropriation of \$10,000,000 for the purchase or construction of ten steamers of 5000 tons capacity and actual speed of 12 knots. The ports of call will be Seattle, Tacoma, San Francisco, San Pedro and San Diego which would be connected with New York by means of the Panama Railroad and Atlantic steamers.

OREGON WINS.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 24.—The Oregon basketball team of The Dalles, Oregon, defeated the University of Utah today by a score of 35 to 24.

UGLY FACTS ARE DEVELOPED

Brought Out in Cooper Sharpe Murder Trial

COOPER IS DEFAULTER

Testimony Shows He Was Short When Clerk and Master of Chancery

SAYS BAD MANAGEMENT CAUSE

Thousands of Dollars of the State's Money Invested in Mexican Silver Mines With Former State Treasurer Polk Also a Heavy Defaulter.

NASHVILLE, Feb. 24.—"We expect to prove Colonel Cooper a defaulter to the extent of more than \$100,000 while clerk and master of chancery of Maury county." This announcement by the attorneys for the prosecution caused much dissension in today's trial of Sharpe and Cooper, charged with the killing of former Senator Carmack. After an exciting day the session closed with Colonel Cooper yet on the stand. Cooper said in answer to questions as to supposed irregularities in his office of clerk and master of chancery was due to bad management and poor bookkeeping, that every dollar was made good.

The State had resurrected some old legislative records concerning an investigation into the defalcation of the State Treasurer, M. T. Polk, in the early 80s and offered to prove that thousands of dollars of the State's money was invested by Polk with others in Mexican silver mine scheme and other financial undertakings and Cooper today admitted that Polk was his partner in the ventures but claimed that he (Cooper) never handled the money and had no knowledge it had been taken from the State's strong-box.

NEGRO ATTEMPTS OUTRAGE.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 24.—Another white girl was the victim of an attempted assault here by a negro last night. The police today have arrested 15 negro suspects.

DENIED THE ALLEGATION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The cross-examination of Mabel McCausland, complaining witness in the case of Mrs. Margaret Teal, charged with attempted subornation of perjury in connection with the Frank J. Gould divorce case was completed at today's session of the trial. Efforts were made by the counsel to show that Miss McCausland, while pretending friendship for Mrs. Teal had tried to entrap her. Miss McCausland denied the imputation.

MEET IN SEPTEMBER.

OMAHA, Feb. 24.—The date of the national meeting of the Fraternal Order of Eagles to be held at Omaha has been fixed for September 13 to 20, inclusively.

ERECT TENEMENT HOUSES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—It was announced today that Mrs. Wm. K. Vanderbilt, Sr., has given more than one million dollars for the erection of four modern tenements for persons suffering from tuberculosis. The buildings are to be operated in connection with Dr. Henry L. Silveys, tuberculosis clinic of the Presbyterian hospital. A moderate rental will be charged.

PITTSBURG GRAFT CASES.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 24.—Testimony was introduced in the graft cases to the effect that Councilmen Brand and Klein had each been seen to accept \$500 for their influence in the support of legislation and that the attempt has been made to take flashlight pictures of Councilman Washon while in the alleged act of taking \$300 from the detectives.

ELECTS OFFICERS.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 24.—The discussion of the proper methods of treating arid soils occupied the attention of the trans-Missouri dry farming congress today. Edwin F. Norris, Governor of Montana, was unanimously chosen president for the ensuing year and his selection makes it evident that Billings, Mont., will be the next meeting place.

WRECK ON O. R. & N.

Newly Married Fireman Killed on First Trip After Marriage.

COLFAX, Wash., Feb. 24.—The O. R. & N. freight west-bound was wrecked at Scott, 28 miles west of Granger city tonight. O. V. Baer, a fireman, was crushed to death beneath the engine. John Roddy, the engineer, escaped injury. The wreck was caused by a rock overhanging the cliffs, falling on the track, breaking out a section of the outside rail on a curve. The engine and 12 cars plunged down a bank. The wrecking train is at work. Baer was married here Saturday to Miss Bessie Barnes. This was his first trip since the marriage.

JOHNSON STILL WORKING.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 24.—Assemblyman Grove L. Johnson, whose anti-Japanese bills aroused the antagonism of Roosevelt, introduced in the legislature today a joint resolution asking congress for a convention to amend the constitution so as to prohibit polygamy. It requests all other Legislatures now in session to join the movement.

IMPRISONED MEN IN TUNNEL RELEASED

SHOW GREAT STRAIN THEY HAVE BEEN THROUGH FOR 24 HOURS.

SEATTLE, Feb. 24.—The nine men imprisoned in a sewer tunnel

cave-in on the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition grounds from 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning, were liberated at 6:50 this morning, and the body of one dead man was recovered. At least one more corpse is known to still be buried in the shaft.

Those released are: John D. Harrington, miner; Dan Horan, miner; W. Gregory, concrete worker; John Mahoney, concrete worker; Thomas McNamara, miner; Martin Vissers, concrete worker; Dan McGinnis, carpenter; J. Quillen, concrete worker.

The dead are: Duncan Robertson, August Stangel.

Missing: F. W. Jones, may be in debris. The liberated men showed clearly the great strain to which they had been subjected, and as they crawled and were half dragged from the shaft, the scene was dramatic. The rescued and rescuers crowded about each other to grasp hands while tears coursed down the cheeks of the men.

TREATIES ARE ADOPTED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—The treaties with Panama and Colombia relative to the Panama canal was ratified by the Senate today. Resolutions were adopted, however, to obviate the necessities of submitting to arbitration the questions connected with legislation of the cities of Panama and Colon.

GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN SWINGS THE VETO AX ON 21 BILLS

COMMITTED TO THE TOMBS.

Was Formerly Wife of Former Private Secretary of Jas. J. Hill.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Margaret Teal, charged with attempted subornation of perjury in the Frank J. Gould divorce suit was committed to the Tombs prison today by Judge Foster. Heretofore she had been under \$5000 bail.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Teal, when she lived in St. Paul about three years ago, was the wife of W. J. Toomey, then private secretary for J. J. Hill. Toomey was divorced from his wife and then left the employ of Hill. Mrs. Toomey later brought a breach of promise suit against a prominent St. Paul physician.

LOOSES FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLAR NECKLACE

NO TRACE OF JEWELS HAVE YET BEEN FOUND AND POLICE NOTIFIED

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 24.—A \$50,000 pearl necklace of Miss Jennie Crocker of this city was stolen at the Mardi Gras ball given by Mrs. Charles O. Alexander at the St. Francisco Hotel last night. The theft was not reported to the police until tonight though numerous Pinkerton detectives have been at work on the case since the loss was discovered. There is no clue.

Miss Crocker did not discover the loss until after 4 o'clock this morning. It is supposed the cord containing the jewels broke allowing them to fall to the floor. The sweepings of all the rooms occupied by the ball guests last night were collected and examined but no trace of the pearls could be found.

EXPRESS CLERK KILLED.

HUTCHINSON, Kas., Feb. 24.—Jesse Haymaker, the night clerk of Wells Fargo Express Company at the Santa Fe depot, was shot and instantly killed here early today by a robber who then looted the office safe. Haymaker was killed with his own revolver.

GANGWAY SLIPS.

HAMBURG, Feb. 24.—Ten were killed and 17 injured by the slipping of a gangway between the wharf and the steamer Kaiser Auguste Victoria which was being loaded preparatory to sailing for New York. No passengers were among the victims.

WILL REMAIN ON COLUMBIA RIVER

Headquarters of the Thirteenth Lighthouse District Will Not be Removed to Puget Sound

PORTLAND, Feb. 24.—Puget Sound will not become the headquarters of this lighthouse district instead of Portland, the matter having been definitely settled and perhaps for all time.

Captain Charles F. Pond, lighthouse inspector, received official notice from the lighthouse board of Washington, D. C., this morning that the headquarters would not be moved from Portland to Bellingham. The decision is in accordance with the recommendation made some months ago by Captain Pond and Major J. F. McInde, the latter of the corps of United States engineers.

Hits Bill Amending Bank Deposit Law

IN FAVOR OF SECTION 2

Careful Not to Strike Any Bills That Give Him Any Added Patronage

BANK LABEL BILL BUTCHERED

Takes a Whack at Newspapers of the State by Vetoing Bill For Publishing Delinquent Tax Lists—Property Should be Taken Without Notice

SALEM, Or., Feb. 24.—Governor Chamberlain wielded the veto ax with a vengeance all day yesterday, late last night and this morning, with the result that at noon today the heads of 21 bills enacted by the recent session of the Legislature are resting in the Chief Executive's waste basket. Fourteen House bills were filed this morning with the Secretary of State and three Senate bills, without the approval of the Governor.

One of the most important bills vetoed by the Governor is Senate bill 144, amending the bank deposit laws of the State. Governor Chamberlain says in his message that if section 2, which removes an ambiguity in the present law, stood alone, he would approve it, but that section 1 has the effect of releasing the State Treasurer from personal liability on his official bond for any moneys that might be lost by reason of the failure or insolvency of any bank which becomes a depository under this act, and in the opinion of the Governor, it might have the effect of invalidating the Treasurer's bond. "Any act which has the effect of releasing an official on his bond is against sound public policy," says the Governor, "and I return the bill with my veto."

Another bill which fell under the ax was Senate bill 162, which provides for the publication of taxes which might become delinquent upon real property.

Senate bill 114 makes it a misdemeanor for any one willfully and maliciously to instigate or circulate or transmit any statement untrue in fact derogatory to the financial condition or solvency of any bank, banking institution or corporation.

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