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Nicaraguan Canal Bill Will Not be Brought Up.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—That Congressman Geary's Nicaragua canal bill has died is something more than mere seeming. The measure through which the Pacific coast hoped so much has been hopelessly shelved.

Representative Gearey is, perhaps, more disappointed than any other member of the house, at the failure of the pet scheme to become a law. He has devoted more attention to it than to almost anything else during his last two years in congress, and was confident at the beginning of this session that the 4th of next March would see it enacted into a law.

He says: "The present house bill was given more study than any other measure of this sort that has ever been introduced in congress. The faults and loopholes which had crept into the senate bill were all corrected, and there was absolutely no chance for jobbery. It was a clean, honest measure, I can only attribute its failure to pass to one thing. The present company was not given a large bonus for concessions which they demanded and preferred to take their chances in another congress. They have had a strong lobby here who have done effective work against us, principally among the delegations already prejudiced against any sort of a canal across Central America. I presented a petition to the rules committee, signed by about 150 members, but it did not have the desired effect, they making the excuse that they could not give the time so near the end of the session. I would have been satisfied if they had only given us half a day, and am perfectly confident that the bill would have passed."

The chairman of the commerce committee, representative Wise, of Virginia, while he has been a strong advocate of the canal, has left the matter largely in the hands of McCreary and Geary, believing that they could take care of it. He is satisfied that they have made the best fight possible under the circumstances, and does not attribute its failure to any lack of perseverance on their part. He is as much disappointed as they are at the failure of the matter to come up, as he had prepared an elaborate speech favoring the canal, and has had it in his desk for months waiting for the bill to come up.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The senate committee on appropriation did not include in the deficiency bill an appropriation of \$425,000 for paying claims to Canadian sealers. It is expected that an amendment will be offered in the senate. Senator Morgan, chairman of the foreign relations committee, says he will not offer it, nor will he call a meeting to consider it. "I will vote against it," said he. "It is a proposition containing neither merit nor anything else to commend it."

The appropriation committee has also amended the naval appropriation bill so as to provide for two battleships instead of three, and six composite light draft gunboats and three torpedo boats. One of the torpedo boats, it provides, shall be built on or near the Pacific coast. It also reduces the appropriation for reserve guns for cruisers at the Mare island yard \$40,000, and for the drydock at Puget sound \$70,000. There is a reduction of \$450,000 in the house appropriation for armor and armament. The total appropriation is \$29,000,000, with a reduction of \$2,639,798 from the total carried by the bill as it passed the house.

In the Senate. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The deficiency appropriation bill was reported to the senate today, leaving only the naval bill before the committee. Consideration of the sundry civil bill was resumed. An amendment was agreed to appropriating \$300,000 for seed for the drought sufferers in the Northwest. Stewart moved to reconsider an amendment, already adopted, for the participation of the United States in an international monetary conference, and proposed an amendment instructing the United States delegates not to agree to any ratio below 16 to 1. He said France was the only European country in a position to take part in such a conference with any prospect of doing fairly by silver. Wolcott greatly regretted this division of opinion among senators from the silver states. Success was almost at hand. The senator declared himself for American bimetalism, but if the nations of the world united in offering the greatest advantage to silver it had received since its demonetization it would be criminal to cast it aside. Stewart again took the floor, denouncing the proposed conference as "a trade with our oppressors." Whatever others might do, he never would consent to such a scheme. Stewart's motion to reconsider was defeated—yeas 9, nays 52. The affirmative vote was Allen, Blackburn, Call, Cockrell, Kyle, Martin, Peffer, Pugh, Stewart. The negative included leading silver men, such as Teller, Jones of Arkansas, George, Wolcott, Cameron.

In the House. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Representative Caminetti reported to the house a proposed amendment to the existing law permitting the granting of a right of way on public domain to the extent of 25 feet, together with use of necessary grounds, not exceeding 40 acres, to any citizen, or association for the purpose of generating, manufacturing or distributing electric power. "In California and elsewhere," says the accompanying report, "small towns and cities in the valleys can utilize electric light and power at a minimum cost if allowed right of way across government lands to the foothills."

A New Party. SAGINAW, Mich., Feb. 28.—Charles T. Beatty, state president of the A. P. A., and its national secretary, is in the city completing arrangements for a big convention of the A. P. A., to be held March 12, 13 and 14. The prime object of the convention is for the consideration of a proposition for what is to be known as the independent American party. We number over 100,000 men in Michigan, and this large membership will be represented by about 300 delegates. The question of forming a party will then be discussed and decided upon.

Charged With Bribery. STOCKTON, Cal., Feb. 28.—Charles Ward, ex-superintendent of the county hospital, was arrested by Sheriff Cunningham at French Camp this morning on a charge of bribery. It is alleged that Ward, with Dr. C. H. Bulson, bribed County Supervisor Brown to have plans submitted by Architect Rushford for a new hospital building accepted. Ward has been indicted by the grand jury. His bond was fixed at \$10,000. It is not known whether Supervisor Brown will be arrested or not.

Beaten by Whitecaps. MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 28.—Mrs. Manda Hamilton alleges that four masked men entered her home on Monday night and beat her and her aged mother into insensibility. She has sworn out warrants for their arrest. One of them is justice of the peace. The women had received whitecap notices to quit the neighborhood on the ground that they harbored women of bad repute.

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