

IN THE NATIONAL HALLS OF CONGRESS

Saturday, June 9.

Washington, June 9.—The bill prohibiting corporations from making campaign contributions was passed by the senate without debate this afternoon. It makes it unlawful for any national bank or any corporation under a government charter to make a contribution in connection with any election and also unlawful for any corporation whatever to make a contribution to any presidential, senatorial or congressional election whatever.

A fine not exceeding \$5,000 is the penalty for offending corporations, and a fine of not exceeding \$1,000 for every officer or director who shall consent to the granting of any contribution.

Washington, June 9.—The item in the sundry civil appropriation bill appropriating \$25,000 for the president went out in the house of representatives on a point made by Williams, of Mississippi. The decision, however, that the matter was new legislation came after a free discussion. Democrats and Republicans generally expressing themselves in sympathy with the idea of giving the president a fund for railroad expenses.

Beyond the debate on the president's traveling expenses, the house devoted the day to the sundry civil bill. Sulzer, of New York, talked on good roads and Sims, of Tennessee, discussed the rural free delivery box question, which, he said, will grow into a scandal should the government persist in compelling rural patrons to purchase certain styles of boxes.

Friday, June 8.

Washington, June 8.—The senate today listened to two set speeches, one by Morgan in support of his resolution providing for an investigation by a senate committee of the affairs of the Isle of Pines, and the other by Hopkins in opposition to the sea level canal bill. Neither measure was acted on. Some time was also spent in considering the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

Washington, June 8.—With the exception of an hour spent on pension legislation, in which time 327 bills for the relief of Civil and Spanish American war veterans were passed, the house labored today on the sundry civil bill, making much headway.

Under the lead of Kiefer, of Ohio, the house refused to transport silver coins and other money by registered mail, insisting that their transportation should be handled by the express companies. During the arguments it was contended that the West and South need silver dollars for circulation.

Thursday, June 7.

Washington, June 7.—The senate today sent the rate bill back to conference, after a debate on several topics, which ended in the rejection of the conference report.

Objection was made by Tillman to any effort to instruct the conferees, as proposed, by Hale, who then withdrew his motion that it was the sense of the senate that no railroad employees and their families should be exempt from the anti-pass amendment.

Daniel and Carter, opposed stringent anti-pass legislation, the latter saying that the postmaster general should have authority to issue passes over every railroad in the United States to members of congress, to afford opportunity to obtain information of the railroads.

Washington, June 7.—Representative Prince in the house today during the discussion of the sundry civil bill spoke of the anti-pass amendment to the railroad bill and of the bill itself and insisted that the country would hold the house primarily responsible for depriving 1,296,121 railway employees, as well as members of their families, of free transportation; likewise persons actually and necessarily in charge of livestock, who are deprived of free transportation when going to point of shipment or returning from point of delivery.

Wednesday, June 6.

Washington, June 6.—When the conference report on the railroad rate bill was taken up by the senate today, the anti-pass conference amendment received the attention of Spooner. In the main he endorsed the prohibition of passes, but he contended that there should be exceptions, including railroad employees. Congress had no right, he said, to step between employer and employee.

Nebraska Balks at Drydock.

Seattle, June 5.—The battleship Nebraska, building at Moran Bros., tried twice this morning to get back to her dock and each time was swung away from the slip by a heavy wind and a strong ebb tide. Once she came near ramming the company's dry dock and the second time narrowly escaped crashing into the Pacific Coast company's coal bunkers. Then the attempt was given up and the boat taken out to a city buoy. The battleship was taken out Saturday for a preliminary trial spin.

No Mail for Seward Peninsula.

Seattle, June 5.—Because of the fact that the postal department made no arrangements for the forwarding of mails from Seattle to Nome this year, no mail will be forwarded to the Seward peninsula for some time. Last year the government paid 4 cents a pound on mail from Seattle to Nome and St. Michael. The steamship companies advanced the rate to 8 cents this year. The department has asked for bids for the contract, to be opened June 19.

Washington, June 6.—The consideration by the house of the sundry civil appropriation bill in committee of the whole today was made the occasion of some severe strictures by Democrats of the heads of departments for exceeding their legal powers, Sullivan, of Massachusetts, leading the attack.

Tawney, in explaining the provisions of the bill, which deals with all departments of the government and is the next to the last money bill to be acted on by the house, stated that the total appropriation for the sundry civil expenses for the fiscal year 1907 carried by this bill is \$94,342,156. Of the total amount \$25,456,575 is for the Panama canal and is reimbursable from the proceeds of the sale of bonds. In addition to this sum, the amount carried for river and harbor acts, and especially by the act passed at the last session of congress, is in excess of the amount appropriated in the current law for that purpose by \$774,044.

Tuesday, June 5.

Washington, June 5.—Before the senate had begun business in earnest today Senator Hale took the floor to urge the importance of all possible promptness in the disposition of the appropriation bills.

"This," he said, "is absolutely necessary if we are going to adjourn before the end of this month, and do the very best we may it will be the very last days of the month before we can possibly get through."

He gave notice that immediately after the close of the routine morning business today he would move to take up the sundry appropriation bill, and he suggested that this bill should be followed by other appropriation bills, even to the exclusion of conference reports. He called attention to the fact that there are six of the big appropriation bills still unacted on by the senate.

Washington, June 5.—In many particulars today was a "red letter" day in the house, not only in the number of bills passed, but in the general character of the legislation enacted. What bids fair to cause endless trouble, the naturalization bill, was passed under suspension of the rules, the speaker and the gentleman in charge of the bill, Bonyne, of Colorado, doing team work of a superior kind.

The house refused to pass a bill leasing to a private firm or corporation the right to mine coal on the island of Batan, in the Philippine group, although it was stated that such a lease would decrease the amount paid by the government for coal very considerably.

For two hours the house worked under suspension of the rules. The rest of the day was taken up with the passage of bills by unanimous consent.

Monday, June 4.

Washington, June 4.—Arthur Pue Gorman, United States senator from Maryland, died suddenly at his residence in this city at 9:05 o'clock this morning. While Senator Gorman had been ill for many months, he had shown some improvement lately. Heart trouble was the immediate cause of death.

Washington, June 4.—The senate adjourned today immediately upon receiving the announcement of Senator Gorman's death. No business whatever was transacted, even the reading of the journal being dispensed with. There was an unusual number of senators present, and all were impressed by the solemnity of the occasion. Appropriate resolutions were adopted and a committee to attend the funeral was appointed, as follows: Bayner, Allison, Morgan, Hale, Aldrich, Teller, Gallinger, Elkins, Martin, Tillman, Clay, Spooner, Keam, Bailey, Blackburn, Clark, of Montana, and Overman.

After the senate adjourned the desk and chair formerly occupied by Senator Gorman were draped in black, in accordance with the custom in such cases. The house also appointed a committee to attend the funeral.

The house adjourned when the announcement of the death of Mr. Gorman was made.

The house passed a bill creating a United States District court for China. The judge is to receive an appointment for 15 years at a salary of \$5,000 and expenses when on circuit. The district attorney is to receive \$4,000 and expenses and the marshal \$3,000 and expenses.

Oppose Wickersham's Confirmation.

Washington, June 4.—Senators Nelson and McCumber are preparing to make a long filibuster in executive session to defeat the confirmation of Judge Wickersham, of Alaska. They are compiling pamphlets and documents bearing on the case in any manner whatsoever, and propose having them read at length to consume time. One senator said today that if this filibuster keeps up Wickersham will get every vote in the senate save those of Nelson and McCumber. Their play for time is decidedly unpopular.

Puts Cost on Government.

Washington, June 4.—The Wadsworth substitute for the Beveridge beef inspection amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill, has been completed and printed for the information of the house committee on agriculture. The substitute is said to follow the lines of the Beveridge amendment with the vital exception that it places the cost of inspection upon the government. It also provides a court review. Details will not be given.

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