

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS IN BRIEF

Saturday, February 20.

Washington, Feb. 20.—The senate subcommittee which has had charge of the nomination of John C. Young as postmaster at Portland, today turned the matter over to the full committee without recommendation, and at the next meeting of the committee Senator Bourne will ask that a report be made to the senate.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Two more of the annual supply bills, the diplomatic and consular, carrying \$3,592,736, and the military academy measures were passed by the house of representatives today. Neither was amended in any important particular. The rivers and harbors bill also was passed under suspension of the rules. The house sent the pension appropriation bill to conference.

The sundry civil bill, carrying an appropriation of \$137,000,000, was called up and an agreement reached whereby two hours were to be devoted Monday to general debate.

The house will hold a special session tomorrow for the delivery of eulogies on the late Senator Allison of Iowa, and Representatives Latimer of South Carolina and Wiley of Alabama.

Friday, February 19.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The army bill, appropriating \$106,635,050, was passed by the senate today. There was little discussion upon the measure except upon the senate amendment appropriating \$350,000 for the construction of roads in Alaska, which was agreed upon. On motion of Mr. Warren an amendment appropriating \$127,000 to construct a national roadway from the national cemetery at St. Louis to Jefferson barracks was agreed to. A senate amendment added \$4,910,056 to the amount carried by the measure as it passed the house. Of that total \$1,248,010 was to increase the pay of various enlisted men and \$1,500,000 was for the construction of barracks and quarters.

Washington, Feb. 19.—Two more disputes between the president and congress were revived today when the house committee on appropriations reported the sundry civil appropriation bill. One was in regard to the limitation of the use of the secret service of the Treasury department. The other was the appropriation for the examination of accounts of railroads under section 20 of the Hepburn rate law. The bill, the largest of all the general supply bills, carries an appropriation of \$137,220,007, or \$2,000,000 less than the estimate.

The house this afternoon adopted an amendment to the fortification bill appropriating \$250,000 for the fortification of the harbor at San Pedro, Cal. The amendment provides that the money be expended "for the reclamation of land to be used for fortifications," but there was no specification as to the amount of land and "no specific place mentioned."

Thursday, February 18.

Washington, Feb. 18.—An acrid exchange of words took place in the senate today between La Follette, who was criticizing the methods of that body in handling appropriation bills, and Penrose, chairman of the committee on postoffices and postroads, who was in charge of the postoffice bill, which was passed, carrying appropriations of over \$232,000,000.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The controversy over the legislative appropriation bill, in connection with the salary of the secretary of state and regarding the ineligibility of Senator Knox for that office, was settled in the house of representatives today when the bill was sent to conference and the committee was authorized to consider the salary provision as if in disagreement. This gives the committee power to reduce the pay from \$12,000, to \$8,000, its former figure.

The bill codifying and amending the penal laws of the United States was passed and the fortifications bill was discussed. Various attacks on the house rules were made by Hubbard and Hepburn of Iowa. The latter asserted that members had betrayed their trust and prostrated themselves at the feet of the speaker, who, he said, had been made a tyrant. The bill was pending when the house took a recess until tomorrow.

Wednesday, February 17.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The naval bill, carrying total appropriations of about \$136,000,000, was passed today by the senate after being under consideration for three days. The bill was changed by the restoration of the house provisions for two battleships of 26,000 tons displacement, to cost \$6,000,000 each.

An ineffectual effort was made to defeat the amendment for restoring marine corps to battleships and cruisers, which was placed in the measure while the senate was proceeding in the committee of the whole.

Senator La Follette addressed the senate upon his amendment to create

Farewell to His Church.

Washington, Feb. 18.—In the little Grace Reformed church, which he has attended ever since he has been in Washington, President Roosevelt tonight was given a farewell reception by the members of the congregation. After a few remarks, in which he spoke of the pleasure he had found in attending the services there, and referred to the fact that he had not been absent from a single communion service when he was in the city.

a commission to consider a plan for consolidating the work of the navy in a smaller number of yards or stations. He said no senator who had a navy yard in his state should be made a member of the committee on naval affairs, but Messrs. Frye, Flint and others suggested that if such a policy were generally adopted in the committee on commerce, agriculture, etc., the result would become ridiculous.

Washington, Feb. 17.—An attempt to abolish capital punishment under Federal laws today blocked the conclusion of consideration of the penal code bill in the house, sitting in committee of the whole. The most important amendment incorporated in the bill was one to regulate interstate shipment of intoxicating liquors.

Tuesday, February 16.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The Mexico and Arizona statehood bill, which passed the house yesterday, was referred today by the senate to the committee on territories after considerable maneuvering on the floor, and the discussion informally of a number of suggestions looking to the passage of the bill at the present session.

The committee will meet on Friday to consider the bill, but it is not believed it will be reported during this session.

Washington, Feb. 16.—This being still the legislative day of yesterday, the house today, for the most part, devoted itself to consideration of bills under suspension of the rules. A number were passed, among them being: Requiring the equipment of ocean-going vessels with wireless apparatus.

Providing for the reorganization and enlistment of the naval academy band. Creating an additional judgeship for the Western district of Washington.

Amending the interstate commerce laws to make it a misdemeanor for any interstate carrier to make any false entry or record pertaining to its business.

Enlarging the membership of the Interstate Commerce commission from seven to nine.

Authorizing the secretary of agriculture to declare a quarantine against the importation of diseased nursery stock affected with injurious insects.

The Indian appropriation bill, carrying an appropriation of \$11,751,000, was passed.

Monday, February 15.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Complying with a recommendation made by the conference on the care of dependent children, which met in this city January 25, President Roosevelt today sent to congress a special message urging the creation of a children's bureau within the department of the interior, and legislation to make the recommendations of the conference directly effective in the District of Columbia and the territories.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The house provision in the naval bill that no part of the appropriation for powder should be paid to any trust or monopoly, "except in the event of an emergency," was the subject of considerable criticism in the senate today. That it was for the purpose of hoodwinking the public and would not really affect the purchase of powder to any appreciable extent was charged by Cummins.

The senate materially amended a provision making a lump appropriation for the pay of the clerical, drafting, inspection and messenger force at navy yards and naval stations and other stations and offices under the Navy department. The entire question will go to conference.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The struggle of Arizona and New Mexico for separate statehood was rewarded today so far as the house of representatives is concerned, when that body, under suspension of rules, unanimously passed the bill granting separate statehood to the two territories.

Hamilton, of Michigan, briefly the measure in charge, spoke briefly in support of it. He said it was not a party question. Both sides, he declared, were now rallying to fulfill party pledges.

\$500,000 for Columbia.

Washington, Feb. 17.—In addition to items heretofore enumerated, the river and harbor bill, soon to be reported to the house, will carry \$500,000 for continuation of the work on the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia river, \$200,000 for repairing and operating the dredge Chinook, \$100,000 for continuing improvement of the Portland-to-the-sea channel, together with a survey of this part of the river, looking to procuring of a 30-foot channel.

Hawley is Speechmaking.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Representative Hawley, last night delivered a speech on Abraham Lincoln at the Foundrymen Methodist church, of this city. Friday night he made a similar speech before the Lincoln club at Haverhill, Mass. Next Thursday he will speak before the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association of Baltimore, on the house of representatives.

No Americans Lost.

Washington, Feb. 19.—American Consul Moorhead, at Acapulco, Mexico, informed the State department by cable today that no Americans were killed in the fire which destroyed the Flores theater there, causing a loss of life estimated from 225 to 250.

MANY WIRES DOWN IN EAST.

Telegraph Companies Expect Weeks of Repair Work.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—In point of damage done, it was learned today that the storms of last Saturday, Sunday and Monday were the worst ever experienced by the telegraph companies and railroads. Thousands upon thousands of poles are still down, and hundreds of miles of wires are prostrate.

Throughout the states of Indiana, Ohio, New York, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware and all of New England, telegraphic service is curtailed, and in sections discontinued. One Eastern railroad alone is said to have lost 80 miles of cable. Every repair man in the afflicted territory is still working to the limit, but resetting poles in frozen ground is slow work and it will be weeks, it is said, before normal conditions are restored.

ENGULF PERSIAN HAMLETS.

Quakes Swallow Whole Villages With Inhabitants.

Teheran, Feb. 19.—The government of Burjurud, a town in Southwestern Persia, has sent out agents to investigate the damage wrought by the earthquake of January 23. The center of disturbance apparently was two days' journey from Burjurud. Up to the present time only meager reports have reached here. The devastation was particularly severe in the mountainous region between Burjurud and Luristan province. It has been already established that 15 villages were wholly or partially destroyed and it is estimated that the total number will undoubtedly be more than 50.

Only a small proportion of the inhabitants of the area where shocks were most severe escaped. Some villages disappeared completely, and no trace can be found of the hamlets of Bahrem and Leben. It appears that not a single soul belonging to these communities was left alive. A severe quake was felt at Ispahan, 100 miles away, the morning of January 23.

VON BUELOW IN CONTROL.

German Chancellor Again in Kaiser's Favor as Advisor.

Berlin, Feb. 19.—"Upon the solution of the finance problem depends the power and safety of the nation."

These words, spoken by Chancellor von Buelow, in an address delivered before the German Agricultural association, signalize the government's purpose to push the fight for the finance bill with increased vigor, taken with the chancellor's declaration that he "is likely to remain in office longer than his adversaries hope."

They are thought to mean that Prince von Buelow is again restored to favor, since it is improbable that he would make such a remark without the authorization of the kaiser.

The forthcoming fight in the reichstag promises to assume an acutely critical character, as every important feature of Prince von Buelow's plan for increasing the nation's revenue is violently opposed by one faction or another. On the other hand, the steady increase in the annual deficit in time of peace is creating a situation which the government feels to be impossible.

Object to Panama Line.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 19.—By a vote of 43 to 30, the amendment by Assemblyman Grove L. Johnson, of Sacramento, striking out all references to the report of United States Senator Joseph L. Bristow, of Kansas, special Panama Railroad commissioner, in the resolution by Senator J. B. Sanford, calling upon congress to establish a government owned line of steamships between California ports and Panama was made this afternoon by the lower house of the legislature. This places the assembly on record as being opposed to the proposed plan to establish a steamship line to compete with the Harriman interests.

High Honor to Dr. Angell.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 19.—Dr. James B. Angell submitted his resignation as president of the University of Michigan today and was offered by the regents the position of chancellor at a salary of \$4,000 a year, with the continued free use of the president's mansion. The duties of the chancellorship are to be such as suggested by the new president, and as Dr. Angell may be willing and able to perform. Dr. Angell recently celebrated his 80th birthday, and has been president of the university since 1871.

Forty Winks Wrecks Train.

Billings, Mont., Feb. 19.—Alleging that Engineer Belsinger, of the passenger train which was wrecked at Young's Point on the Northern Pacific railway, on the morning of September 25 last, sending 20 persons to death, was asleep, while the flagmen were trying to give him the signal of danger, James T. Hickey and Willard F. Smith, conductor of the freight train, were acquitted of the manslaughter charge tonight.

Porto Rico Given Tremble.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Feb. 19.—Heavy earthquakes were felt throughout the island of Porto Rico at 3 o'clock this morning. The inhabitants were awakened by the oscillations and their alarm was great. No damage was done, however. The vibrations lasted for at least 20 seconds, and the movement was from east to west. The weather today is very stormy.

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