

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS IN BRIEF

Saturday, May 26.

Washington, May 26.—During two hours before adjournment today, the senate made more real progress in the adoption of tariff schedules previously passed over than has been usual during an entire day.

Despite protests voiced by Beveridge and Root, the duty on barley was increased from 25 cents a bushel, as proposed by the House, to 30 cents, as recommended by the committee on finance.

The tax on hops was advanced. The committee on finance had formerly advanced it to 15 cents. Today the committee brought in an additional amendment, making the rate 20 cents. The duty on potatoes was made 45 cents per bushel, instead of 25 cents, and oysters in the shell were advanced from three-fourths of a cent a pound to 25 per cent. The increase in the rate on oysters was made on motion of Piles, who has an industry in bivalves to protect against Canadian competition. Eels or smelt, fresh or frozen, are taxed 1 cent per pound.

Friday, May 25.

Washington, May 25.—Aldrich succeeded today in getting action by the senate on the rest of the sugar schedule of the tariff bill, with the understanding that the paragraph fixing a duty on raw and refined sugar should be again placed before the senate if Clay should so improve in health as to permit him to move an amendment cutting the figures in two. The tobacco schedule was also completed. No changes were made in the finance committee rates in either schedule.

The sugar, tobacco and agricultural schedules divided the attention of the senate with incidental remarks by Bacon and a general tariff speech by Stone, Gore, Bristow and Clay criticized the provision for a duty on raw and refined sugar and Clay repeated his allegation of fraudulent transactions in the interest of the sugar trust. Bristow declared that the trust had benefited by the defeat of his amendment yesterday.

Thursday, May 24.

Washington, May 24.—By the decisive vote of 50 to 33 the senate decided today to postpone until June 10 further consideration of the income tax in connection with the tariff. Consideration of the sugar schedule was continued, but after two amendments were voted upon the senate switched to a discussion of the possibility of getting a vote on the Bailey income tax amendment. Bailey argued forcibly for a vote, but did not succeed in prevailing upon Aldrich to concede a vote in advance of the tariff schedule.

The two amendments to the sugar schedule voted upon were those eliminating the Dutch standard test and lowering the duty on refined sugar from 1.9 cents per pound to \$1.82½ cents per pound. Both were defeated, the former by a vote of 36 to 47 and the latter by a vote of 32 to 53. On the first vote 11 Republicans voted with the Democrats for the amendment, but on the second only seven Republicans broke ranks.

Wednesday, May 23.

Washington, May 23.—For more than seven hours today the senate discussed sugar, as that subject is involved in the pending tariff bill. Beginning with an effort by McEnery, the Louisiana Democrat Protectionist, there were four set speeches. Three supported the sugar schedule as reported from the committee on finance, while the fourth was a plea for material reductions.

In completing his speech of yesterday, McEnery made an earnest plea for stiff protection, not only because of the necessity for such a policy in the interest of the revenue, but because, he declared, such a course would render the United States independent of other countries. He asserted that there had been a change of sentiment in the South on the subject of protection.

Bristow followed. While McEnery, a Democrat, had spoken for a high and protective rate on sugar, the Kansas senator, a Republican, advocated a reduction.

Burrows, of Michigan, and Smoot, of Utah, both members of the finance committee, also spoke in support of the committee's action. Smoot presented a carefully prepared analysis of the situation, and Burrows appealed more particularly to popular sentiment.

Beveridge introduced an amendment, the purpose of which is to prohibit the tobacco manufacturers or dealers from using the coupon or premium system to stimulate sales.

Tuesday, May 22.

Washington, May 22.—The senate began today the formal consideration of the sugar schedule, but did not approach a vote upon it. Instead, the time was given over to speechmaking, and, strange to say, the two speeches on the subject, while made by Democrats, advocated a high tariff on sugar of all grades. The portion of the lumber schedule which has not been voted

Taft Abolishes Council.

Washington, May 27.—The council of fine arts, created by President Roosevelt, and which was to have charge of the beautifying of Washington and to pass upon the design of government buildings, was abolished by President Taft today. This action was made necessary by the last sundry civil bill, which failed to appropriate money for expenses or salaries of any of the commission created by President Roosevelt without consent of congress.

upon was passed over, as the finance committee contemplates further amendments.

Defending his views that the pledges of the Republican party were for a revision of the tariff downward, Beveridge quoted from various utterances by Mr. Taft to show that on numerous occasions the President had called attention to the need of revising the duties downward.

Stone declared that he could see no way in which the United States Steel corporation could profit by the duty on steel.

Rayner, of Maryland, today made a speech abounding in humorous references to many senators who have taken a prominent part in discussing the bill.

Monday, May 21.

Washington, May 21.—No single piece of lumber was ever used more effectively as a see-saw by children than was the great lumber industry today by the United States senate. The lumber schedule of the tariff bill was under consideration almost the entire day, with Root, Heyburn, Borah and Dooliver contending on the one hand for protection, and Clapp, Burkett and McCumber arguing strenuously against the policy. The day closed with more than a two-thirds vote against McCumber's free lumber amendment, the ballot showing 25 for and 56 against.

Bailey asked for unanimous consent for a vote on the income tax on Thursday. When Aldrich objected, Bailey said that he would object whenever Aldrich sought unanimous consent for a vote on the tariff bill.

Director North Resigns.

Washington, May 29.—It was stated officially at the White House today that Census Director North had resigned, and that E. Dana Durand, deputy commissioner of corporations, had been named to succeed him. The announcement of the resignation of North was made at the close of a conference between President Taft and Secretary of Commerce and Labor Charles Nagel. It is understood Nagel demanded the resignation as a result of the investigation recently ordered by the president. It was explained that the resignation was presented because of the existence of certain conditions that appeared likely to continue and which would probably operate to make North's administration unsuccessful.

Bourne Offers Postoffice Bill.

Washington, May 28.—Senator Bourne today introduced a bill to appropriate \$1,500,000 for a postoffice building at Portland. He has been consulting with Supervising Architect Taylor, who hesitates between two plans, a new building for all Federal activities at Portland, and the retention of the present building for Federal court purposes and the building of a new postoffice building. When Fulton introduced a bill for the same amount Taylor reported that a suitable building could be erected for \$900,000, plus \$250,000 for a site. Bourne will endeavor to induce Taylor and the senate committee to agree to a sum adequate to meet the growing needs of Portland.

Hammond Declines Honor.

Washington, May 26.—After an hour's interview with President Taft today, John Hays Hammond definitely declined the tender of the ministership to China. Mr. Hammond told the president that he agreed with him that China offered a field for American enterprise and development of American trade that would tempt almost any one to take up the work of the American mission in that country. He said he felt deeply honored by the tender.

Imports Show Increase.

Washington, May 25.—The April statement of the bureau of statistics shows a marked increase in the importation of manufacturers' materials and a decline in the exportation of foodstuffs. The 50 articles named in the import list form about two-thirds of the total value of the imports and the 50 articles named in the export list, form about three-fourths of the total value of exports.

Pitt River Lands Restored.

Washington, May 28.—Eighteen thousand acres of land in Oregon and 25,000 acres of land in California, withdrawn for the Pitt river reclamation project, have been restored to entry by the government, according to an announcement made today. The land was restored because it was decided that it was not feasible to use the waters of Goose lake for the project.

Mormon Coins as Souvenirs.

Washington, May 28.—Secretary MacVane has been petitioned by Senator Sutherland, of Utah, and Dr. George Tallmadge, curator of the Desert museum, at Salt Lake, to permit the latter to issue for souvenirs and museum purposes Mormon coins from the dies recently turned over to the museum by the descendants of Brigham Young.

Lowest Bid for Big Drydock.

Washington, May 25.—C. M. Leach, of Boston, was the lowest bidder for the construction of a concrete drydock at the Pearl harbor naval station, Hawaii, proposals for which were opened at the bureau of yards and docks today. His bid was \$1,295,321.

To Arbitrate Emery Claim.

Washington, May 28.—A protocol for admission to arbitration of the Emery claim was signed tonight with representatives of the Nicaraguan government at the home of Secretary Knox.

KRUPPS LOSE ROYALTY.

Processes for Hardening Armor Have Been Perfected in America.

Pittsburg, May 28.—Mystery surrounded the visit of Baron von Bodenhausen, of Krupp interests, to America until today. For some time no royalty has been paid Krupp by American makers of armor plate, as Midvale, Carnegie and Bethlehem interests now have each an armor plate hardening system of their own. It is \$13 per ton cheaper also, as this is the royalty which the American makers have been paying Krupp for years.

Baron von Bodenhausen came to America for the purpose of clearing up the armor plate case. The Germans have not believed that the American makers could have invented three different forms of hardening plate. The loss of revenue to the Germans has been very great, so the baron came here to re-establish that revenue if possible.

That the American companies had each invented armor plate processes came as distinct news to Pittsburg. The coming of the German baron appears to have made publicity imperative. Krupps question the legality of the American processes, and the Americans express a willingness to demonstrate that their process is no infringement. At armor plate headquarters it is stated Krupp's American royalties amounted to \$1,000,000 annually.

CATCH OMAHA SUSPECTS.

Police Arrest Three Men for Union Pacific Train Robbery.

Omaha, Neb., May 28.—The police of South Omaha arrested tonight three men suspected of complicity in the Union Pacific train robbery near this city last Saturday night. One of the men had \$125 and the second \$98 and the third a smaller sum.

Children playing last night in the vicinity where the arrests were made found three handkerchiefs cut for masks, three revolvers, flashlights and other paraphernalia, hidden by the holdup men. The place was watched. Four men were seen late tonight to approach the spot where the outfit had been hidden, and three of them were arrested.

They gave what the police believe are fictitious names and told differing stories. The clothing bears the mark of a Denver merchant. They told of having been with some women during the evening, but would not divulge names.

GREAT WILD HORSE HUNT.

Fifty Square Miles of Territory to Be "Driven" for New Steeds.

Reno, Nev., May 28.—Under the leadership of Superintendent Creel, of Pyramid Lake Indian reservation, and R. H. Cowles, a ranchman of Washoe county, the biggest wild horse hunt ever attempted in Nevada will be started tomorrow in the Limbo country, north of Wadsworth. Five hundred "backwoods" from surrounding ranches will participate.

Fifty square miles of territory will be encircled by mounted men, who will drive toward a central point near the northern end of the Nightingale mountains, where an immense corral has been erected. The older horses will be shot, while the younger ones will be broken for saddle purposes.

Julia Ward Howe Celebrates.

Boston, May 28.—Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, writer, philosopher and reformer, celebrated her ninetieth birthday quietly at her charming home on Beacon street yesterday. Her children, Mrs. Maude Howe Elliott, Mrs. Florence Howe Hall, Mrs. Laura E. Richards and Professor Marion Howe, of Columbia, spent the day with her and, with the exception of a few intimate friends, no visitors were received. Mrs. Howe appeared in good health and spirits and seemed to have lost but little of her old-time energy and her interest for matters of national importance.

Jap Striker Meets Death.


Honolulu, May 28.—In a fight among the strikers on the Ewa plantation today a Japanese laborer was killed. This is the first bloodshed that has occurred since the strike of the sugar plantation workers was begun. At Waimanalo the Japanese have quit work to formulate demands for increased wages. Fifteen hundred strike breakers have been put at work on the plantations, 400 of whom were hired today. At Ewa 8,000 tons of sugar remain to be milled, and 10,000 tons is in the same condition at Waiala.

Unknown Sends Money.

Des Moines, Iowa, May 28.—Post-office inspectors today were asked to unravel the mystery surrounding the receipt by a number of residents of Panora, Iowa, of letters containing \$100 bills. No signature is attached to the letters, one of which bears the postmark of Portland, Or. Five persons admit having received money totaling \$1,125. Mrs. Viola Lappeggett, a widow, received \$225, mostly in \$10 bills, with a note signed "your friend."

Pacific Mail Deficit Less.

New York, May 28.—At the annual meeting of the Pacific Mail Steamship company all the retiring directors were re-elected today. President Harriman, in his report, stated that the year's operations showed a deficit of \$339,684, as compared with a deficit of \$428,817 for the year before.



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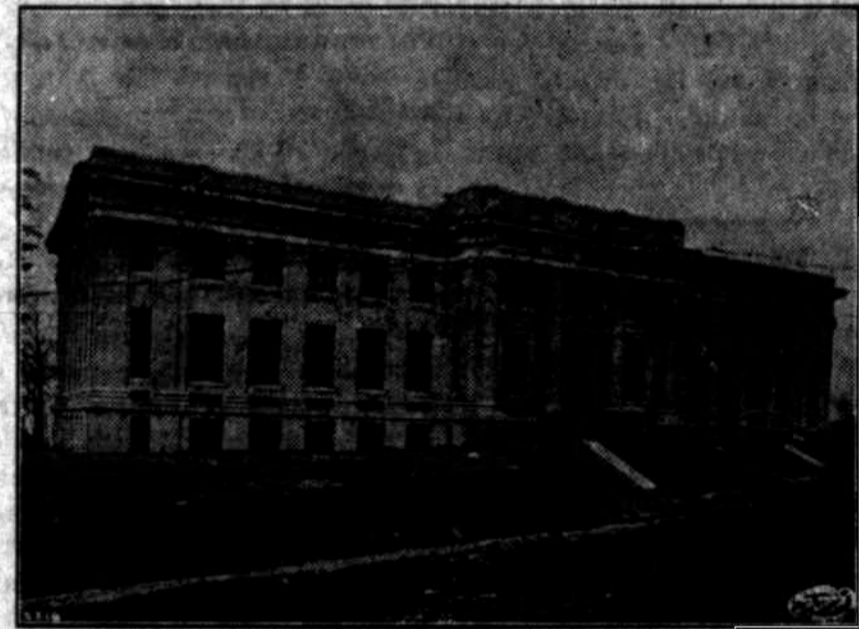
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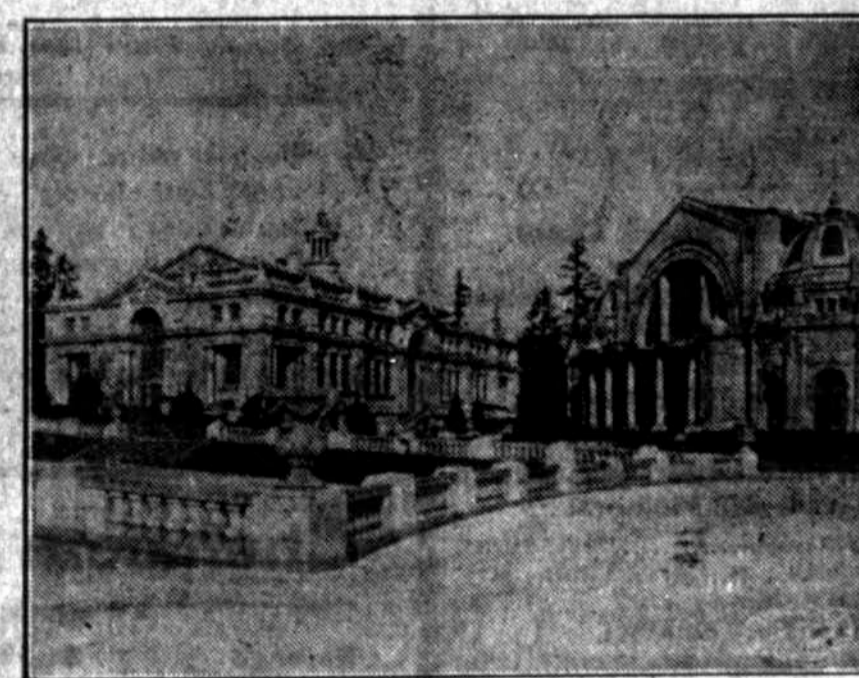
WHERE WORLD'S WORKS OF ART WILL BE HOUSED AT A-Y-P. EXPOSITION, SEATTLE.

In this building will be exhibited many priceless paintings. The display will represent the art galleries of the world, for many of these pictures will be the work of the old masters, including rare art exhibits from the Corcoran in Washington, the Art Museum in New York, the Chicago Art Institute and from a large number of private galleries of wealthy men in the United States and Europe, who have for years made the collection of famous old paintings their hobby. Paris and London have made large loans.

At the Alaska-Yukon Pacific Exposition the selection of pictures will be limited to the works of men who have been recognized in the great art competitions in all parts of the world. Many American artists will be represented in the display in the Fine Arts Palace at the Exposition and arrangements have already been made for the shipping of these valuable paintings from art institutes of this country to Seattle.

G. L. Berg, art director of the Exposition, has visited all of the leading galleries of the United States, collecting the pictures suitable for display at Seattle, and writes that the pictures already loaned will constitute one of the greatest art displays assembled for international exhibition.

The Fine Arts Building is a fireproof structure and was one of the first buildings completed on the Exposition grounds. It cost more than \$200,000 to erect the building.



A PORTION OF THE CASCADE COURT.

The Palace of Oriental Exhibits forms one of the twelve mammoth display buildings first completed by the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. Its lines are in pleasing contrast to the Agricultural and Manufacturers buildings, with which they are grouped, and their position overlooks the beautiful formal gardens and water display of the Cascades and Geyser Basin.

The exhibit placed within the walls of the Oriental building constitutes one of the most gorgeous displays of Far Eastern art and manufactured articles ever shipped from the Orient, and is bewildering in beauty and extent. Not a country of Asia is without representation, and treasures of old and modern art, never before permitted to leave the lands in which they were created, will be seen for the first time in the land of the Occident. The matter of arrangement of the Oriental exhibit has been placed in the hands of the most competent and artistic men at command and its display will be worthy of the magnificent collection.

About the Oriental building are gathered the great buildings housing the United States exhibit and the Alaska, Hawaiian and Philippine displays. One of the largest bandstands is within close distance, and from its doors the most noted musical organizations of the world will be heard daily.

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