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THE BLOCKADE TO BE RAISED

Press Correspondent Has Received Such Advice

BE RELEASED TOMORROW

Powers Have Reached Agreement Upon Settlement of Principles

NOW CONSIDERING SMALL PHASE OF ARRANGEMENTS—BOWEN OFFERS THIRTY PER CENT OF CUSTOMS RECEIPTS OF TWO PORTS IN CONSIDERATION.

CARACAS, Jan. 26.—The Associated Press correspondent has just received a communication from the British Naval officers at La Guayra informing him that the blockade will be released next Wednesday.

Getting Into Details.

Washington, Jan. 26.—While no advance has been made since yesterday toward a settlement of the Venezuelan situation it is the opinion that no ground has been lost, and from the few details of exchanges between the allies that leak out here, it would appear that they are considering such small phases of the ultimate arrangements as to indicate that they have already reached a tacit agreement upon the general principles of the settlement.

Will Pay a Bonus.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The Associated Press has been informed that Mr. Bowen, acting for Venezuela, in return for the raising of the blockade, pledges 30 per cent of the receipts of the ports of Porto Cabello and La Guayra, the same to be collected by the joint commission.

Up to the close of the day the formal notice of the acceptance of the proposition had not come to Bowen from the representatives of the allies here. However, such an official information as reached Bowen confirmed him in the belief that the pending controversy would be settled "soon and satisfactory." It is learned that the Italian Government all along has favored an honorable compromise and had let its allies know the favor with which it regards the Bowen proposition, while expressing a willingness to defer to their views in the matter.

It developed today that the proposition of the custom duties collected at La Guayra and Porto Cabello, to be paid to the allies, is 30 per cent. These two ports collect a large part of the total custom receipts of the country. The lifting of the blockade would not mean a complete withdrawal from the American waters of the allied fleet.

Is Not Justified.

Washington, Jan. 26.—There is no information in Washington to justify the positive statement contained in the Caracas dispatch that the Venezuela blockade will be raised Wednesday.

WAS FALSE ALARM

THE SUPPOSED FIRE WAS ONLY SMOKE FROM A DISCONNECTED FLUE.

The fire department was called out about 10 o'clock Sunday morning and made a hasty run to the corner of Capital and Center streets, where it was reported that a fire had broken out in the house owned by Mrs. Leo Willis. The house is occupied by Messrs. Suganman and Wise, the Court street junk dealers, who had moved in but a short time before. It seems that a chimney had been started in one of the upper rooms, but never finished, this fact not being known to the occupants of the house, who proceeded to light a fire, supposing the chimney made connections with one of the others in the attic. This was not the case, however, and when the fire was started the attic and upper rooms soon filled with smoke, which poured out of the windows in such volumes as to indicate a fire under good headway.

Upon the arrival of the firemen one of the boys quickly made his way to the attic, when the cause of the alarm was found to be in the disconnected chimney and not even a spark of fire could be found.

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THE EARTH QUAKED.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 23.—A decided earthquake shock was felt in this city and suburbs at 8:55 o'clock tonight.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 25.—Two distinct shocks of earthquake were felt here tonight.

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WILL HE SUCCEED IN BREAKING IN?

HE SAYS HE LIED

PHILIP DOBLIN RETRACTS HIS TESTIMONY IN LESSLER BRIBERY CASE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Philip Doblin, who testified before the House Committee on Naval Affairs on Saturday that he had approached Representative Lessler, of New York, with an offer of money to influence Lessler's vote on the Submarine Bill, made the astounding statement before the committee today that he had made statements on Saturday which were not true, and that he wanted to retract his statement; that Quigg had tendered a bribe to him.

The members of the committee looked at one another in amazement as Doblin went on with his statement. Doblin was rigidly cross-examined by every member of the committee, but he persisted in saying that he was telling the truth and adhered to his denials. When Doblin left the stand the committee's program, which contemplated calling Dr. W. B. Kerr to the stand, was abandoned, and went into secret session. Some of the members, in view of the remarkable developments, favored dropping the investigation, but the others urged that it be continued.

It is understood that Lessler asked that he be permitted to make a statement and said he had another witness he would call, whereupon the committee decided to meet again at 10:30 tomorrow. Representative Lessler was also present in the committee room when Doblin gave his testimony.

NO ELECTION YET

WASHINGTON SENATORIAL SITUATION REMAINS UNCHANGED AFTER TENTH BALLOT.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 26.—One ballot cast on the Senatorial question showed no change and there are no indications tonight of any break in the vote tomorrow. The ballot today, which is the tenth, follows: Angeny 52, Preston 43, Wilson 7, Allen 6, Turner, Dem., 21, absent 7.

Olympia, Jan. 26.—The Senate today adopted a memorial petitioning Congress to pass, and instructing the Representative from this state to work for the Omnibus Statehood Bill. The House passed the House Amendment Bill increasing the penalty for highway robbery; also the house bill which requires the city council, upon petition of 15 per cent of the electors, to refer to the voters of the city any grants or renewals of franchises or disposition of the property owned by the city.

LOOKS LIKE A DEADLOCK FOR CERTAIN AND FOR ALL

Neither Candidate Makes any Gains and Multnomah Delegation Caucused Again Last Night and Decided to Hold Out for Another Week

Senator Fulton Will Make a Desperate Effort to Break Up Either the Geer or Multnomah County Delegations—Has Planned a Great Coupe for Today, and is Either a Case of Win or Lose With Him This Week

THE FIFTH BALLOT

FULTON	21
GEER	13
WOOD	14
SCATTERING	16
ABSENT AND PAIRED	26
TOTAL	90

Yesterday, the first session of the week, developed nothing out of the ordinary with the exception of a spirited and interesting debate which was brought about in the Senate through the advancement to the final passage, of Senate Bill No. 14, by Senator Mays, which provides a penalty of not more than ten years imprisonment in the Penitentiary, nor less than one year, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than three months nor more than one year, or by fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$100, for the larceny of any horse, mule, ass, jenny, bull, steer, cow, calf, hog, dog, or sheep, or any bicycle.

Senator McGinn offered an objection to the bicycle clause, on the ground that there should be an amendment graduating the punishment for stealing a bicycle by the value of the machine, basing his contention on the statement that some wheels were not worth more than \$2.50 and that it would be an act of injustice to impose a sentence to the Penitentiary for the theft of such a comparatively worthless object. His objection started the ball rolling

Portland, Senator Fulton would have some sort of a plan formulated whereby he would attempt to break up the two strongest of the Republican forces, namely, the Geer support and the Multnomah county delegation, but the attempt failed to materialize or was futile, for the action was gone through mechanically, with no evidence of wavering from any point. Last week it was conceded that Fulton could command at least 39 votes on demand, but now his limit is conservatively reduced to 36. The Fulton forces held a caucus in President Brownell's room yesterday afternoon and, although nothing could be learned as to their plans, it is believed that they have concocted a scheme to make one grand final coup, either today or tomorrow in an effort to create a stampede, but the situation as viewed last night indicates that, if attempted it will be fruitless, for the Geer forces are standing together as invulnerable as the rock of Gibraltar, and at another caucus held last night, the Multnomah delegation has decided to hold together for another week, which means virtually Fulton's undoing and possible defeat. No developments of a startling nature are expected today.

SENATE.

(Morning Session.)
Called to order at 11:45 a. m. and led in prayer by Rev. Kantner, of Salem.

Second Reading of Bills.

S. B. 31, Croisan, regulating the running of stock at large. Agriculture.
S. B. 67, Miller, to define "land" and "real" property. Assessment and Taxation.
S. B. 77, Pierce, school meetings: Education.
S. B. 80, Smith of Umatilla, to amend code. Revision of Law.
S. B. 81, Pierce, to appropriate \$20,000 for Eastern Oregon Experiment Station. Education.
S. B. 102, Daly, providing for rebuilding and repairing of state buildings. Education.

SENATE.

(Afternoon Session.)
Called to order at 2 p. m. A quorum not being present a call of the Senate was ordered and enough absent members were brought in to make a quorum.

S. B. 120, Steiwer, re-districting the state; advanced to second reading and ordered printed.
S. B. 121, Myers, to provide for moving county seats; advanced to second reading and ordered printed.
Joint Memorial to Congress, Miller, asking to have Constitution amended so as to elect U. S. Senator by direct vote of the people; adopted.
S. B. 122, Fulton, to amend charter of Astoria; advanced to third reading and passed.
S. B. 124, Sweek, for sewers for St. Helens; first reading.

Second Reading of Bills.

S. B. 14, Mays, relating to stealing; advanced to third reading and passed.
S. B. 29, Sweek, to amend code: Judiciary.
S. B. 30, Mulkey, creating state board of appraisers: Assessment and Taxation.
S. B. 31, Croisan, regulating running at large of stock; advanced to third reading and passed.
S. B. 33, Mulkey, amending code: Judiciary.
S. B. 34, Sweek, foreign corporations: Judiciary.
S. B. 35, Mulkey, relating to obscene pictures and literature: Judiciary.
S. B. 38, Booth, to establish bureau of mines: Mining.
S. B. 39, Williamson, to amend the charter of Prineville, Smith of Umatilla and Williamson.
S. B. 41, Williamson, relating to the printing for Agricultural College; advanced to third reading and passed.

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WILL DEFEAT OMNIBUS BILL

Senator Quay Insisted Upon Its Consideration

WAS CONFISCATING TIME

Morgan Offered Resolution Questioning Credentials of Dr. Herran

WHO SIGNED COLOMBIAN CANAL TREATY WITH SECRETARY HAY—INDIAN BILL HELD UP IN THE HOUSE BY LONG SPEECH FROM BURTON.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—In the Senate today Quay, in charge of the Omnibus Statehood Bill, insisted on its consideration to the exclusion of other business. When Platt (N. Y.) attempted to call up the committee report providing for the printing of the document, Quay objected. Hale thereupon declared that Quay was confiscating the time of the Senate. The latter replied calmly that this could be obviated by allowing a vote upon the Statehood Bill.

The resolution offered by Morgan (Ala.) questioning the credentials of Dr. Herran, the Colombian Charge D'Affaires, who signed with Secretary Hay the canal treaty, caused the Senate to go into a long executive session. At the conclusion the Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill was passed. The Lodge amendment providing for the reorganization of the Consular service was ruled out of order and the debate thereby was cut off.

Government Policy Criticized.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The House today made a new record in the matter of appropriation bills. The Military Academy bill was passed without a single word of debate. The Indian bill, which followed, was not completed today as Burton (Rep. Ohio) made a long speech on it in general criticism of the policy of the Government toward the Indians. A resolution was adopted calling on the Postmaster General for the correspondence in the Indianapolis, Miss., postoffice case.

DRUGGED AND ROBBED.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Louis Dreier, a wealthy Jersey City produce merchant, who has disappeared mysteriously from his home Monday morning, has returned in a dazed condition. A physician stated that Dreier was suffering from the effects of knock-out drops, and refused to permit his family to interrogate him until he had entirely recovered. When Dreier disappeared he had in his possession \$4000 in bills and bonds valued at \$7000. He did not have either the money or the bonds when he returned.

CHAPEL ORGANS—

Geo. C. Will, the music and sewing machine dealer, had to telegraph yesterday for four chapel organs, the demand is so much more this year for church and school organs than former years.

Our Great White Fair Great Sale of White Goods

We usher in the spring season of 1903 with our annual sale of pure white goods of all kinds. Every pure white article in our store will be sold during our "White Fair" at greatly reduced prices. This is the making-up season for summer and every lady should take advantage of this rare opportunity to get first pick of the new dainty fabrics in our wash goods department at prices most reasonable.

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