

THE HOUSE IS IN A TURMOIL

Lower Branch of Illinois Legislature a Bad Mixture

THE PRESIDING OFFICER

Frustrated in Suspicioned Attempt to Whitewash the Bribery Charges

THE OPPOSITION VOTED "NO CONFIDENCE" BY TWELVE MAJORITY AND PUT SPEAKER'S COMMITTEE IN THE MINORITY—TO QUESTION HIMSELF.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 24.—The Illinois House of Representatives today, by a vote of 72 to 60, declared "no confidence" in its presiding officer, Speaker John H. Miller, whose alleged unwarranted use of the gavel in furthering the proposed enactment affecting the street railway franchises in Chicago, led to the riot yesterday.

A committee of five, all personal followers of the Speaker, had been appointed by him to investigate the charges of attempted bribery in connection with the passage of the Mueller Traction Bill. There was a strong feeling among the anti-Miller legislators that there was a possibility of a whitewash, and steps were taken to increase the committee in such a manner as to have the Speaker's appointees in the minority if anything in the line of a whitewash should be attempted.

The Miller men fought hard to retain the committee as originally appointed, but were out-voted, and the report of the committee was made a special order for next Tuesday morning. At the same time the subpoena issued for George W. Hinman, of Chicago, was made returnable on the same date. It is the intention of the House to interrogate him in regard to the facts upon which an editorial in the Inter-Ocean of Chicago, in connection with the Mueller Bill, was based.

TO INSPECT THE GUARD

COMPANY F. RECEIVES ORDERS TO BE PREPARED FOR THE EVENT.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The order for the inspection of the Oregon National Guard has been published and the schedules indicate that the annual inspection of the state troops will be very thorough and embrace all details known to the regular United States Army service.

Captain Charles A. Murphy, of Company F, yesterday received his official notice of the inspection which states that the inspectors will be in Salem on Tuesday evening next. The dates for the inspection of the rest of the militia extends from April 27th to May 16th, concluding with the Portland companies on the latter date.

The following is the order with dates of the various inspections given: Headquarters Oregon National Guard, Adjutant-General's Office, Portland, Ore., April 21.—General Orders, No. 6. I. The commanding general of the Department of the Columbia having designated Major Edward Chynoweth, Twenty-Sixth United States Infantry, to inspect the organized militia of the state of Oregon, on such dates as might be arranged with the Adjutant-General of the state, pursuant to instructions from the Secretary of War, under provisions of General Orders No. 29, current series, headquarters of the Army, Adjutant-General's office, copies of which have been heretofore forwarded to regimental, battalion, and company commanders, the inspection so ordered will be made at 8 o'clock p. m.

II. Colonel James Jackson, Inspector-General, will accompany Major Chynoweth and will make the annual state inspection and muster at the same time.

III. The organizations designated above will assemble under arms at their respective armories on the dates and at the hour named in the field uniform and equipment prescribed in section 106 of the regulations, except as to shelter tent, halves and ammunition, which will be prepared for inspection, but will not be issued to the men.

IV. Muster rolls, forms 18 and 17, showing all changes since last quarterly muster, will be prepared in duplicate, one copy to be delivered to the United States inspecting officer and one to the State Inspector-General.

V. All officers accountable for public property will have prepared in duplicate returns of all state and United States property, forms 30 and 31, for which they are accountable, one copy to be handed to the United States Inspector and one to the Inspector-General of the state. All transfers of property since last quarter will be shown on returns, but the vouchers will accompany the next regular return.

VI. All officers accountable for public funds will have prepared and will hand to the Inspector-General of the

state, account current, form 1, made up to and including the date of inspection. All transfers will be shown on returns, but vouchers to same will accompany the regular quarterly returns. A certified check, certificate of deposit or cash must be shown the Inspector-General for "balance on hand."

VII. The travel enjoined in this order is necessary for the public service. By order of the Commander-in-Chief, C. U. GANTENBEIN, Adjutant-General.

TROUBLE IS ANTICIPATED

Japan and Russia Both Preparing for War

BOTH ACTIVELY ENGAGED

Planning Coups in the Event of Hostile Developments

RUSSIANS HAVE NOT EVACUATED BUT ARE FORTIFYING INSTEAD ALL NATIONS, EXCEPT AMERICA, GRADUALLY INCREASING NAVY—POWERS MAY PROTEST.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 24.—Travelers who have arrived here recently from North China, have told of how the spies of Japan were at work in Manchuria, and of the Japanese engineers, disguised as laborers or commercial men, had caches of explosives stored at various places along the Russian railway, ready to blow up the line if war was declared between Japan and Russia as the result of the controversy over Manchuria. Russia is also reported to have been making warlike preparations for the Japanese papers, received by the Empress of China, tell of how, far from evacuating Manchuria, the Russians have been fortifying their garrison in different sections.

Concentration of Navies.

Washington, April 24.—In view of the latest developments in Manchuria, the naval strength of the various powers in the Chinese waters becomes interesting. The Russian fleet has been gradually increased until now it numbers forty-two vessels. France has thirty-one ships and twenty others in the India and Coochin China waters. Great Britain at last accounts had fifty-seven war vessels in the Chinese waters, and Germany seventeen.

The Kentucky and Oregon are the only American battleships on the Asiatic stations, but there are twenty-four other smaller American warships, including two monitors and some small gunboats in the Philippine waters. Japan has a strong naval force on the coast.

Looks Like Business.

London, April 24.—The Associated Press learns that there is in contemplation a forcible joint protest on the part of Great Britain, the United States and Japan against the Russian demands in the matter of the sovereignty in Manchuria.

Turned Them Down.

Peking, April 24.—According to the Chinese story, when Prince Ching, the Grand Secretary, received the Russian demands, he returned the document to M. Plancon, the Russian Charge d'Affaires and refused to consider them.

Are Getting Ready.

London, April 24.—"Turkey has decided," says the Solonica correspondent of the Daily Mail, "to concentrate an army of 240,000 men in Manchuria."

WORKING ON PLACERS.

SUMPTER, Or., April 24.—The Oregon Power & Placer Mining Company has commenced operations for the season on the placer property between here and Granite. The development and work are under the management of Neil J. Sorensen & Co., who have expended on improvements and equipment the sum of \$40,000. The ground is rich and large returns are looked for.

Operations at the Buck Gulch placers will resume for the season next Monday. Last fall, after mining work was suspended, the owners added one more mile to the ditch, which is now six miles long, and has tapped a larger body of water, thus insuring a much longer run this season. These placers were operated last year by three men with a giant. They were employed, all told, about fifty days, and the result was a clean-up of something over \$200. It is the intention to work night and day this summer until the water supply gives out. The output this year is expected to be far above that of last.

FOUL PLAY IS FEARED.

CHICAGO, April 24.—Dr. Wheeler Brown, 38 years old, said to be a brother of the members of the New York banking firm of Brown Bros., is reported to have disappeared, and the police have been asked to search for him. He left a down-town cigar store Tuesday evening, saying he was going to his apartments. His movements since that time are a mystery, and foul play is feared.

THE EVIDENCE WAS LACKING

General Funston Exonerated From Charges

OF OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT

Gave no Orders Directing the Killing of Prisoners of War

ADVOCATE GENERAL REFUSES FUNSTON'S REQUEST FOR COURT OF INQUIRY TO INVESTIGATE HIS CONDUCT WHILE COLONEL OF KANSAS VOLUNTEERS.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—By direction of the Secretary of War, Judge Advocate General Davis today addressed a letter to Brigadier General Funston refusing his request for a court of inquiry to investigate his conduct in the Philippines. In a letter addressed to the President, by Herbert Walsh, of Philadelphia, in which it is charged that, on or about February 10, 1899, certain orders in respect to the treatment of prisoners of war were given by Funston to the regiment of which he was at that time Colonel, as a consequence of which two prisoners of war were put to death during the progress of an engagement with the enemy at Calocan, province of Luzon, P. I., by the officers or enlisted men of the Twentieth Kansas Volunteers. Advocate General Davis' letter says:

"The Secretary of War directs me to express his satisfaction with your attitude in respect to the above-named allegations as expressed in your urgent request that the incident be made subject of an exhaustive investigation."

"The matter has already been made the subject of an official investigation upon three separate occasions. In no investigation was there any testimony elicited showing or tending to show that orders, directing the killing of prisoners of war, had been given by you at any time."

The Tyner Sensation.

Washington, April 24.—Attorney General Knox today expressed the opinion to Postmaster General Payne that, unless there is something to show whether the documents taken from the safe by Mrs. Tyner are Government property or private papers, no case would lie. Payne replied by stating the circumstances attending the taking of the papers and the fact that most of the papers filed in such Government safe are of a confidential nature and therefore are not of record. There will be a conference tomorrow between Payne and Knox.

The position taken by the Postoffice Department now is that it has done all that it is possible to do to establish the facts in the case; that the propriety of the act is of equal importance to the nature of what was taken, and that any further steps rests with the Department itself.

Attorney Ross Perry, of this city, the counsel for the Tyners, today told the Postmaster General that the Tyners would be glad to have the Postmaster General or any representative of his Department look over the papers at the Tyner residence.

MORMONS KICKED OUT

RUSSIANS DID NOT LIKE THEIR DOCTRINE NOR IMMORAL TEACHINGS.

BERLIN, April 24.—The Governments of Prussia and of the Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg have decided to expel the Mormon missionaries, of whom there are 145 in Germany and ninety in Prussia, on the ground that they are propagating a form of religious belief incompatible with the laws of state and public morals, and because polygamy is not excluded from their doctrines. The missionaries, who are all Americans, will be allowed sufficient time to settle up their personal affairs. None of the Mormons have yet been deported. The Government of Prussia defines the expulsion as being simply a police measure, for which no explanation need be made.

Peter Lantensack, a German, naturalized in Utah, first organized missionary work here in 1896. He was succeeded in 1899 as bishop by Arnold Schultze, a Swiss naturalized in Utah, who directed 100 missionaries. Hugh J. Cannon replaced him in 1900, and the latter has steadily increased the number of Mormon preachers and has nearly doubled the membership, which is now 4000.

When a Mormon arrived in a German village he would rent a hall and begin to preach, and the common result was that the local pastors would complain to the police, who not infrequently ordered the missionary to leave.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS

PORTLAND, Ore., April 24.—A large meteor was seen in the heavens north of this city tonight.

Forest Grove, Ore., April 24.—Pacific University tonight defeated the University of Oregon in joint debate on the "Compulsory Arbitration" question.

Palo Alto, Cal., April 24.—Nineteen cases of typhoid fever developed tonight, making a total of 132. There are thirty-five cases at Stanford University.

Chicago, Ill., April 24.—Ten alleged "get rich quick" concerns were raided today by the police and a wagon load of stationery and literature was taken to the police station.

Smuggling Cases Settled.

San Juan, Porto Rico, April 24.—The settlement of the smuggling cases has been effected by Treasurer Wil-

loughby. He has recommended to Attorney General Harlan that the cases be dismissed from the District Court. This has been done.

Legislation Was Influenced.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 24.—Governor Pennypacker today vetoed the bill recently passed by the Legislature regulating the manufacture and sale of all alum baking powders. The Governor stated that the bill was passed through the influence of rival Baking Powder Companies.

AGAIN TAKES TO THE ROAD

President Roosevelt Concludes a Pleasant Outing

LAI'D THE CORNER STONE

Of the New Northern Gate of Yellowstone National Park

CEREMONY PERFORMED ACCORDING TO MASONIC RITUAL IN PRESENCE OF HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE—THANKED PEOPLE AND SOLDIERS FOR HOLIDAY.

GARDINER, Mont., April 24.—President Roosevelt this afternoon resumed his tour of the West. Before going, however, he participated in the laying of the corner stone of the new gate at the Northern entrance to the Yellowstone Park. The ceremony was performed according to the Masonic ritual and was in charge of the grand officers of the state of Montana. Special trains brought hundreds of people here, including a large body of soldiers, and as the weather was perfect, the scene was a very pretty one.

The President rode down from the post, accompanied by Major Pitcher, and was escorted to a gaily decorated stand, where he delivered an address. Troops B and C of the Third Cavalry, from Fort Yellowstone, were drawn up in front of the stand as the guard of honor. Frank E. Smith, Grand Master, conducted the services.

The President, on behalf of the Masons of the state, was presented with a Masonic charm, mounted on a nugget of gold. The President began his address by thanking the people and the soldiers for his enjoyable two weeks' holiday, and then spoke of the natural wonders of the park.

There was placed in the corner stone a picture of President Roosevelt, a number of coins, copies of newspapers and Masonic emblems.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies the President's train pulled out for Livingston. Here John Barrows will leave the party and will spend a short time at Spokane, Washington, and on a ranch in Montana, and after which he will return to his home in Peekskill, N. Y.

SCALDED TO DEATH

SHOCKING ACCIDENT BEFELL AN INFANT DAUGHTER OF WINGVILLE PARENTS.

BAKER CITY, Ore., April 24.—Wingville, a community situated about seven miles northeast of the city, is shocked over the horrible death of Frances Osborn, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Osborn. The little one succumbed from the effects of a scalding received Sunday morning.

It seems the child was at play on the floor of the kitchen while her mother was washing the breakfast dishes. A teakettle of boiling water, resting on the stove, tipped over in an unaccountable manner, the contents being spilled over the child's lower limbs and body. The flesh was literally cooked and fell from the limbs when the wounds were dressed. She suffered great pain until Tuesday afternoon, when she died.

BINGER AND THE SIUSLAW

HOPES TO CHANGE DECISION OF DEPARTMENT NOT TO IMPROVE THE BAR.

EUGENE, Ore., April 24.—Hon. Binger Hermann, candidate for Congress, arrived in Eugene yesterday afternoon and is conferring with prominent politicians on matters connected with the campaign. Mr. Hermann appears to have no apprehension as to the result. A matter which interests him at present is the action of the War Department in refusing further to improve the Siuslaw, and he hopes that the order can yet be changed by representations of fact that can be made regarding the possibilities of the Siuslaw country when once the harbor is improved.

MASSACRE IN MACEDONIA

A REVENGEFUL BAND SLAUGHTERED SIXTY-FIVE BAZOUKS AND GENDARMES.

VIENNA, April 24.—Dispatches from Sofia announce that a band of Macedonians recently surrounded and slaughtered forty Bashi Bazouks and fifteen gendarmes, near Petrich, Macedonia, out of revenge for the murder of their leader, Captain Saef, who was recently killed in an engagement in the district of Melnik. The band subsequently captured the district chief of Petrich and twenty-five soldiers, whom they stripped and released.

MORGAN HATES KODAK FIENDS.

NEW YORK, April 25.—"I would be willing to give \$500 to any one who smashes any camera that holds a snapshot of me," exclaimed Mr. J. P. Morgan after he had gone aboard the White Star liner Cedric yesterday by the second-class gale plank in order to avoid a score of photographers.

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HE HAD NO CRITICISM TO MAKE OF PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, April 24.—While testifying today before the Interstate Commerce Commission, President Baer, of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal Co., was asked by Attorney Shearn, if he would carry out a certain business proposition even if it be in violation of the law.

"I wish you to proceed in any court of the United States," said Baer, rising and facing the lawyer, "and if you can show that we have violated any law

we will undo it. If we are guilty, go to the proper forum and prove it. I'm tired of you people who dream you represent the people, trying to make out that all business men are trying to evade the law."

"Does your statement include the President of the United States?" interrupted Shearn.

"I have no criticism to make of the President of the United States," said Mr. Baer.