

SENATE DECLINES TO CUT

Defeats Butler Reduction Amendment to Postoffice Appropriation Measure.

PNEUMATIC TUBE SERVICE PROTESTED

Male Irritates Mazon by Charging Jobbery in New York Connection with Provisional Agreement Chicago and St. Louis.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—

Soon after the senate convened today Mr. Pettigrew of South Dakota offered a resolution, which was agreed to, directing the committee on printing to ascertain why the public printer had not delivered to the senate the instructions and papers sent to the Paris peace commission.

Bills to grant land warrants to descendants of the New York Indians who served in the war of 1812 and to pay an award of the secretary of the interior in favor of the Cherokee Indians were referred to the court of claims.

Consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill was resumed. The pending question was the amendment of Mr. Butler of North Carolina to reduce the pay of railroad carriers for carrying the mails an aggregate of 1 out of 9 per cent.

Mr. Butler pointed out that according to the report of Prof. Adams, the expert of the postal commission, which he was having re-examined, 48 per cent of the amount paid to the railroads for carrying the mails actually was paid for carrying mail pouches.

Mr. Sherman offered an amendment designed to prohibit hazing at the naval academy on penalty of dismissal. This amendment was pending on a point of order when the house adjourned.

PRESIDENT NOMINATES MANY

Sends Large Batch of Army Nominations to the Senate Today.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The president today sent these nominations to the senate: General of the United States—To be major general—Brigadier General William A. Shafter, U. S. A., retired (major general U. S. V.).

Cavalry—Lieutenant Colonel Edward M. Hayes, Fourth, to be colonel; Major Charles L. Cooper, Fifth, to be lieutenant colonel.

Medical Department—Assistant surgeon with rank of captain, to be surgeons with rank of major—Charles M. Gandy, Jefferson R. Kenn, Harry L. Raymond, Francis J. Ives, Edward R. Morris.

Artillery—To be major—Captain Elbridge R. Hill.

First Lieutenants to Be Captains—George W. Gatehell, Oscar I. Straub and Henry C. Schumm, Alfred M. Hunter, John L. Hayden, Peyton C. March, Eugene T. Wilson, Edmund M. Blake, John T. Martin, Wilmer E. Ellis, William L. Kenly, William G. Haas, Sidney S. Jordan, Walter A. Bethel, Morris K. Barrell, Delmer Skerrett, Edward T. McGlaichlin, Jr., Archibald Campbell.

Quartermaster's Department—First lieutenants to be quartermasters with rank of captain—Joseph T. Crabbs, Eighth cavalry, and Louis B. Lawton, Ninth infantry.

Subsistence Department—First Lieutenant A. Edwards to be commissary with rank of captain.

Infantry—Sergeant William J. Schmidt, Twelfth infantry, to be second lieutenant.

Volunteers—Eleventh cavalry: First Lieutenant C. R. Frowbridge to be a captain and Second Lieutenant John Holman to be first lieutenant.

Acting Assistant Surgeons U. S. A. to be Assistant Surgeons with Rank of Captain—James Edmondson, New York; Joseph C. Belfrey, Pennsylvania; Joseph J. Curry, Massachusetts; James T. Stockard, North Carolina; George R. Plummer, Florida; William R. Van Turl, Kansas; John S. Fogg, Maine.

Navy—Commander Robert M. Berry to be captain; Lieutenant Commander Daniel D. V. Stewart to be commander; Lieutenant William P. Rush to be lieutenant commander; Lieutenant (junior grade) Wilfrid V. M. Pownall to be lieutenant.

Justice—Marshall E. Woodworth of California to be attorney for the northern district of California.

NOT CONTRABAND OF WAR

Horses and Mules Not Included in That Class by the Treaty of '71.

HOUSE INQUIRY CREATES LITTLE STIR

Department Will Answer that Sale of Animals to Great Britain Has Many Precedents—Cranborne Little Disturbed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—

The answer of the state department to the house resolution calling for a statement of its reasons for allowing United States ports to be used for forwarding American horses and other supplies to the British army in South Africa, will point to the well-established section of international law warranting neutral nations in selling supplies to belligerents, though these supplies may properly be seized by a belligerent.

It also will be shown that no obstacle was interposed by the United States government to the purchase of horses and mules by the Boers, who presumably did not do so because they were unable to land them in South Africa.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The reported determination of the house of representatives at Washington to inquire into the question whether the United States has broken the treaty of 1871, by permitting the exportation of horses, mules and other supplies to the British forces in South Africa, created more academic interest than practical concern in the government departments here.

A representative of the Associated Press brought the dispatch on the subject to the notice of the Foreign office and the War office. The officials of the latter regard the effects of any future acts in the United States as of no effect, as about all the horses, mules etc., required have been secured in South Africa.

Lord Cranborne, in whose province such matters as the reported congressional action properly belongs, produced from the files of the Foreign office a copy of the treaty, where it has peacefully reposed since the days of the Alabama.

It is stricken both countries, and pointed out that mules and horses had never yet been classified as contraband of war.

MACARTHUR'S DREADED NEWS

Sends from Manila a List of Those Soldiers Who Are No More.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—General MacArthur, at Manila, reported to the War department today that the following deaths have occurred since last report: Dysentery—James C. Chaney; February 12, Company H, Signal corps; Elmer E. Heathorn; February 12, Company H, Twenty-first infantry; Corporal Michael McCue; February 12, Company A, Twenty-seventh infantry; William J. Miley; February 12, Company D, Forty-seventh infantry; From Wounds Received in Action—February 3, Company D, Fifth infantry; William W. Hooper; February 3, Company K, Fortieth infantry; John Jackson; February 3, Company K, Forty-sixth infantry; Benjamin Johnson; February 3, Company H, Eighth infantry; Daniel J. Clark; February 4, Troop I, Fourth cavalry; William Bodan; February 4, Company M, Fortieth infantry; William J. Miley; February 4, Heart Disease; February 9, Company K, Fortieth infantry; Frank Ott; February 18, Hospital corps; Frederick Schubert; February 18, Tuberculosis; February 9, Company F, Nineteenth infantry; Guy Anderson; February 19, Company G, Twenty-fourth infantry; Homer Patton; February 3, Company H, Thirty-fourth infantry; Corporal Floyd Dakkin.

Malarial Fever—February 12, Company K, Sixth cavalry; Charles J. Pollock; January 24, Company D, Sixteenth infantry; James M. May; February 12, Company B, Ninth infantry; Walter Cooley; February 12, Company E, Second infantry; Samuel W. Hutcher; February 12, Company A, Second infantry; Corporal James C. H. Cross; February 12, Company G, Tenth cavalry; John Williams; February 3, Hospital corps; Charles M. Adams; February 4, Company E, Tenth cavalry; Corporal Robert Lober; February 3, Company F, Thirty-ninth infantry; William Wells; January 18, Troop E, Fourth cavalry; George W. Conroy; December 3, Company F, First infantry; Stephen J. O'Connell; February 15, Troop F, Ninth cavalry; James T. Times; Drowned; Body Recovered—February 10, Company A, Thirty-third infantry; William Withner.

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Sampson Not Seriously Ill. The alarming reports which have been in circulation concerning the condition of Rear Admiral Sampson are disproved by the admiral, who is confined indoors, but declares he is not seriously ill.

TO BUILD SALT LAKE LINE

But No One Denies That Union Pacific Will Own It in the End.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—

(Special Telegram)—New York papers today asserted that there is a plan on which the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake railroad may be absorbed by the Union Pacific. Senator Kearns of Utah, one of the projectors of the company, said tonight when his attention was called to this matter: "It is true that there have been propositions to build the road, but you may assert positively that Senator Clark of Montana and his associates will build it."

Senator Pettigrew introduced an amendment to the general deficiency bill appropriating \$50 to his office. Mr. Pettigrew, for surveys of public lands in South Dakota on a contract made in 1897.

A large delegation of Iowans was present tonight at the home of Captain Robley D. Evans on the occasion of the presentation of the sword voted by his Iowa friends in recognition of his services while in command of the Iowa during the Spanish-American war.

G. W. Conkling of Nebraska left for home tonight, satisfied that the Omaha & Northern bill will be passed in the house in the next few days. The senate will accept the amendment adopted by the house reducing the time in which to construct the road through the Omaha reservation in Thurston county from three to two years.

The irrigation measure from the committee on arid lands was formally reported to the house today. The report is exceedingly voluminous. It begins with a review of irrigation in the last twenty years, which have cost the government over \$1,000,000. It states that \$750,000 has been spent in the construction of ditches and reservoirs on the Indian reservations and that the work done by the government is small compared with the work accomplished by the individuals and corporations. The report meets the objection raised that the east is to be taxed for the benefit of the west by the selling out of water rights to be used for reclamation of arid lands that is not first derived from the sale of such lands, and states that with this fund 100,000,000 acres can be advantageously irrigated. The report quotes in full the letter of the secretary of the interior, recommending the adoption of a general scheme for the reclamation of arid lands, and closes with the supplemental report of Mr. Sutherland of the Fifth Nebraska district, advocating a provision for sinking a canal in Nebraska, Kansas and other portions of the great plains region.

Miss Dutcher is prominent. Miss Ethelore Dutcher of Omaha, who is representing Nebraska in the National Congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution, now in this city, appeared prominently in the body today by seconding the motion of Mrs. Horton, congress of the Buffalo (N. Y.) chapter, inviting request to attend the Pan-American exhibition. Mrs. Laura B. Pound of Lincoln, Neb., was elected state agent of Nebraska. Tomorrow the election of nationally elected will take place and tonight caucuses are being held in all parts of the city by friends of the rival candidates for national president. The caucuses tonight seem greatly to favor the election of Mrs. C. W. Fairbank of the state of Indiana, from Indiana, to that distinguished position.

Postmaster appointed: South Dakota—John Karst, Hroven, Potter county; W. P. Lincoln, Pittsford, Clark county; Wyoming—Marry Pulles, Carbon, Carbon county.

Rural free delivery service was ordered established March 15 at Storm Lake, Buena Vista county, Ia., the route to embrace an area of 137 square miles, containing a population of 10,000. Donon, J. C. Avenille, Orville James and J. H. Jenkins were appointed carriers.

The order discontinuing the postoffice at Fleur de Lis, Grant county, S. D., has been rescinded.

A postoffice was established at Zanonia, Grundy county, Ia., with George F. Marsh postmaster.

In Oregon and Montana. SALEM, Ore., Feb. 20.—H. W. Corbett gained two votes for United States senator today in his contest against J. C. McManly, who have been voting for Hermann. The ballot resulted: Corbett, 31; Hermann, 27.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 20.—The vote on Senator today resulted: Mantle, 31; Conrad, 2; Toole, 1; Kennedy and Clancy, 1 each.

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ROOSEVELT STOPS IN OMAHA

Vice President-Elect Spends an Hour at Union Station Enroute East.

DECLINES TO SUBMIT TO INTERVIEW

Confirms Story of Encounter with Mountain Lion and Talks with Former Soldier About Battle of San Juan.

trip to this city and the colonel related the circumstances. He confirmed the main part of the story and even brought out his gun to show the imprints of the lion's teeth on the stock and where the lion had bitten out a piece of the wood. He plunged his short knife into the lion and closed the incident.

He Admires the Scenery. The colonel's private car came into Omaha on the rear end of the Union Pacific's fast mail No. 109 and the colonel passed several compliments along the route on the beauty of the tracks and the country through which the train passed. Part of the way he stood on the back platform.

There was a large crowd at the Union station when the train pulled in about 2:50 o'clock, but that was half an hour before the distinguished visitor was expected and few were prepared for his coming. He alighted from the train answered a telegram which an A. T. boy handed to him, greeted with a handshake and a smile several who stopped up to speak to him and then turned his attention to J. H. Proctor, a motorman on the South Omaha car line and formerly a member of Troop B. He appeared to remember the former soldier well and explained to those standing by his side that he was by his side during the fight of San Juan hill. The small party returned to the car and colonel and private renewed the memories of San Juan.

One would recall incident and the other would tell the story.

General Manager Dickinson of the Union Pacific called at the car and was heartily received by the vice president-elect, who complimented the official on the service and the fine run that had been made to Omaha. A few minutes later Roosevelt was escorted across several tracks for a closer view of one of the company's big compound engines which stood at the head of the Overland Limited. When the general manager introduced the engineer, William Adams, who is known among the men of the "Wild Bill" because of his part in the next vice president of the United States, grasped his hand firmly and discussed the mighty engine with considerable interest.

It was in such a manner that the visit of the vice president-elect was spent in Omaha. He shook hands with many of the bystanders as he passed in and out of the passenger station and all who came to him received a warm greeting. The private car was attached to No. 6 when it arrived about 5:30 o'clock and Colonel Roosevelt was whirled on to Chicago over the Northwest.

He goes directly to his home at Oyster Bay and will go to Washington for the inaugural ball of the first of March.

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FROM CUBA TO CONGRESS

Island Republic's Prospective Constitution May Be Taken to Capital.

COMMITTEE IN HAVANA FEELS ALL IN THE DARK IN FRAMING DOCUMENT

and May Ask for Co-Operation.

HAVANA, Feb. 20.—A special committee appointed by the Cuban constitutional convention to draw up a proposition defining the future relations between the United States and the republic of Cuba continued in secret session with the other members of the convention all day. No settlement was reached.

It is understood that a majority favor leaving the question open until the signing of the constitution, which is now being engrossed. The committee is expecting Governor General Wood to send an official letter setting forth what he considers the relations should be, so that the convention may act with a better understanding of the desire of the United States. It is agreed that even if the convention should agree to such a definition of relations as was outlined by General Wood last week it is not officially known whether the United States would approve.

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