

Washington News

A Washington dispatch to the Denver News said: An attack upon Theodore Roosevelt for condemning Senator Lorimer featured the defense in the Lorimer election case in the senate. Senator Fletcher of Florida, following up the conclusion of Senator Dillingham's speech for Lorimer, arraigned Roosevelt.

"Theodore Roosevelt could enjoy a luncheon with Booker Washington at the White House," declared Fletcher, "but could not afford to dine in the same room with Mr. Lorimer, a member of the club of which he was a guest."

The Florida senator referred to the former president as the "headquarters of morality" who condemned Lorimer on the false allegation repeated to him by Editor H. H. Kohlsatt that \$100,000 had been raised and used to elect Lorimer. Senator Fletcher said Colonel Roosevelt does not know the facts.

"The damning of a respectable citizen, the head of a beautiful family, the representative of a state in high office," Senator Fletcher said, "was a welcome thing if it gave opportunity to attitudinize as the standard of honor and righteousness and the acme of civic virtue."

C. D. Hilles, private secretary to President Taft has been chosen chairman and James D. Reynolds of Massachusetts has been chosen secretary of the republican national committee.

Following is an Associated Press dispatch: "When we got through it was not worth while," replied Thomas Taggart, chairman of the democratic national committee in 1904, when asked today by the senate campaign expenditure committee if he ever figured up the receipts and expenditures of his committee during the Parker campaign. "The court will take judicial notice of that," retorted Chairman Clapp.

Mr. Taggart swore that while the treasurer's books came into his possession just before the Denver convention in 1908, he burned them and "other dead matter" before turning over organization records to Norman E. Mack, the new chairman, in 1908. Mr. Taggart was unable to remember much about contributions. From hearsay he expressed the belief that August Belmont, Thomas F. Ryan and Cord Meyer, all of New York, had contributed.

"These probably were three among thousands, but I just do not remember the others," said Mr. Taggart.

"I suppose you were a contributor?" suggested Senator Oliver.

"I expect I was. Whatever it was, I contributed to the Indiana state committee."

"How much did you contribute?"

"I can not recall definitely."

"Well, approximately?"

"I suppose I would be safe in saying \$1,000."

The witness estimated the committee had twenty or thirty men soliciting funds throughout the states. He insisted that George F. Peabody, the treasurer, had charge of the finances, or was at least, in a position to know all about them. Immediately after the campaign, Mr. Taggart said, Mr. Peabody resigned and August Belmont succeeded him.

"I do not know whether Mr. Peabody was disgusted or not," added Mr. Taggart.

Representative Rollin R. Rees of Kansas has admitted that he is one

of the authors of the plan to bring about the retirement of both Taft and Roosevelt. The plan, however, utterly failed.

Senator William Lorimer defended himself in a dramatic speech delivered in the United States senate. He charged the newspapers with his troubles.

Robert O. Bailey has been made assistant secretary of the treasury to succeed A. Piatt Andrew, resigned. He is a newspaper man.

Senator Johnston of Alabama, democrat, and Jones, of Washington, republican, delivered speeches in the senate in defense of Lorimer.

The house of representatives, by a vote of 222 to 1, adopted articles of impeachment against Robert W. Archbald, judge of the court of commerce.

The house of representatives passed the Clayton contempt bill. The measure provides for trial by jury for those accused of indirect contempt of the federal court. The vote stood 231 ayes to 18 nays.

Great Britain has objected to the pending Panama canal bill. It thinks this government should not discriminate in favor of American vessels.

All bars restricting the admission to the United States of minor foreign-born children of naturalized citizens, whether imbeciles, idiots or other classes, were swept away by a far-reaching interpretation of the immigration and naturalization laws by Secretary Nagel, of the department of commerce and labor. The decision completely overturns the previous policy of the government. The law provides that minor children of an alien who are living in the United States automatically become citizens of this country as soon as their father is naturalized, but officials have invariably held in the past that all children dwelling outside of the United States at the time of their father's naturalization must pass the immigration tests before they can enter and claim citizenship.

An Associated Press dispatch, dated July 4th, says: Sweeping reductions in express rates, averaging in general, approximately 15 per cent; drastic reforms in regulations and practices, and comprehensive changes in the methods of operation, are prescribed in a report made public today by the interstate commerce commission of its investigation into the business of the thirteen great express companies of the United States.

Dealing with the identity of interest between the various companies, the report finds that while these companies are separate legal entities, "it is of interest to regard this fact, that by stock ownership and otherwise they are so interlaced, intertwined, and interlocked that it is with difficulty we can trace any one of the greater companies as either wholly independent in its management or the agency of a single railroad system. So that while these companies operate separately and compete with each other for traffic, the express business may be said to be almost a family affair. An interesting genealogical tree, in fact, might be drawn showing a common ancestry in all of the larger companies. And while many names may be used to designate these companies, it is within the fact to say that aside from the operations of the minor and distinctively railroad express companies, the express business of the United States is managed by not more than three groups of interests."

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