

HOLE IN U. S. STRONG BOX GROWS BIGGER

Net Balance in Treasury is \$56,000,000 and is Slowly Creeping All the Time.

PORK ESTIMATES WILL STAND

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Leaders of the administration in conference today with President Wilson decided that there was no immediate need for legislative action to increase the government's revenues.

Mr. McAdoo declared that he still stood by his estimate of the government's revenue for the fiscal year ending next June, which, compared with his estimate of expenditures, would leave a deficit of \$18,000,000.

It was understood after the conference that suggestions that the war revenue act be extended for six months and that congress abandon the \$24,000,000 river and harbor bill, struck no responsive chord.

Can't Cut Any More.

On the other hand, the cabinet officers were said to have made it plain that in accordance with the president's suggestion they had cut their estimates of expenditures to the very limits and could not make further reductions without risking impairing the efficiency of their departments.

The estimates sent to congress in December aggregated \$70,000,000 to which \$28,000,000 was to be added for Panama canal disbursements. Some additional estimates have been sent in since then, however, and substantial additions to the proposed appropriations have been made by the house committee in drafting the supply bills.

Balance Dropping.

The net balance tonight in the treasury was about \$56,000,000. It is slowly dropping. Internal revenue receipts for November compiled today by the bureau show a falling off compared with November, 1914, of about \$2,300,000.

Stenographer Tells Inside of Peary and Cook Literary Stunts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Miss Lillian E. Kiel of New York, who said she was a stenographer employed by a magazine that printed articles under the names of Rear Admiral Peary and Dr. Cook on their return from the Arctic regions, testified tonight before the house committee on education that neither of those articles was written in its entirety by the explorer whose name it bore, but that both were rearranged in the magazine office.

Miss Kiel was one of a number of witnesses who testified in connection with the resolution of Representative Smith of New York, designed to establish the priority of the discovery of the North Pole. She said she took the dictation of Dr. Cook's statement at a hotel in Newburgh, N. Y.; that he dictated his story of the polar exploration, sent it to New York to the magazine, and that after he received proofs and that after he received proofs and that after he received proofs, eliminated certain paragraphs and inserted others, the result being, she said, that the story indicated a confession of failure.

She said that Admiral Peary's story was first obtained by questions asked by a reporter, that a woman transcribed the notes and wrote the story. The admiral, she said, had a contract with the magazine of some sort under which the magazine was not to print anything detrimental to him.

Records of Babylon Legislature Found; Elopement Law One

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 29.—A Babylonian tablet, believed to have been buried in the earth more than 4,000 years ago, containing the earliest law code, recently has been unearthed and is now in possession of Yale university, it became known today. The tablet is heavily encrusted, but part of it has been cleaned and deciphered.

The laws are written in the Sumerian language, the language of southern Babylonia prior to its conquest by the Semites of Accadians in the time of Hammurabi. Owing to the imperfect knowledge of the language the work of deciphering is extremely difficult, but the university expects to have a complete translation made and published. The laws that have been translated refer to legislation concerning injury to women; the reputation of children who have perhaps been adopted; elopement, the hair of goats and the killing of a hired ox by a lion.

Sullivan Denies All Charges Against Him

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—A statement from James M. Sullivan, American minister to the Dominican republic, denying all the charges of unfitness made against him, chiefly by Walker W. Vick, former receiver general of customs of Santo Domingo, was read in evidence today at the hearing into the charges.

The statement, received by mail, was supported by documentary evidence and made counter charges against Vick. Sullivan declared he had been made the victim of a newspaper campaign engineered by Vick to attack his character and conduct, which was unsupported by facts. He said certain newspapers in the United States had "championed the cause of a vile gang of pirates as ever sailed the Caribbean."

Department of State Goes Out of the Passport Business

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The Department of State has troubles enough already and cannot undertake to act as a tourist agency.

Officials of the department, who have been pestored of late by persons of both sexes, decided today that patience had ceased to be a virtue, and issued this announcement. Passports, the announcement adds, can and should be obtained from clerks of federal courts within the jurisdiction of the intending travelers' residence.

A "gentleman from a western city" who "did not know where he was going, although he expected to start immediately," and a woman who kept the department torn up for two days quibbling about her age, are cited as horrible examples of what must be stopped.

The department's statement said: "Recently a lady came from a distant city to have her passport amended because of the fact that it stated her age in years, but did not state the extra months. She spent two days in and about the bureau worrying over this matter and was taking the time of some of the clerks."

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Sixty-Five Pupils Finish Eighth Grade in Public Schools of Magic City.

KIRKPATRICK IS THE SPEAKER

Superintendent of Schools N. M. Graham yesterday announced the successful conclusion of grade school work for sixty-five pupils of the public schools of South Omaha. At the South Omaha High school auditorium, yesterday afternoon, a united program was arranged by the associated grade schools of the city.

The graduates are: BROWN PARK. Anton Lacinia, Arline Heim, Helen Kubat, Joe Sport, Lydia Lucas, Bernhard Stahmer.

CENTRAL. Irene Neff, Eva Pipofsky, Fannie Sacks, May Grant, Fannie Stever, Florence Irwin, Christy Skow, Max A. Ointman.

CORRIGAN. Adele W. Wilke, Harry Anderson, Adella Maslowski, Anna Schultz, David Schneider, Nora O'Connell.

GARTFIELD. Carl Adams, Oliver Lindburg, Ida May Hurd, Donald Roszelie, Rachel Jordan, Herbert Schrader, Henning Karst.

HAWTHORNE. Alice Reel, James Gray, Anna Murphy, Max Mortens, Helen Laitner, Theodore Galische, Agnes Fox, Fred Evans, Ruth Benson, George Morris.

LINCOLN. Marjorie Abbott, Barbara Scoville, Mildred Farrell, Doris Van Sant, Caroline Keyser, Lloyd Hamilton, Mabel McAdams, Felix Miller, Helen Reed.

LOWELL. Frank Trovato, Esther Stream, Mary Ellen Byrne, Hazel Warren, Matilda Velehradsky, John Votrochek, Zita Mullaly, Floyd Wilson.

WEST SIDE. George Paulson, Myrtis Halkenholz, Joseph Uzel, Catherine Moliner, Mortimer Lawler, Rose Jacobson, Ralph Clausen, Mary Mongerson, John Hagenberg, Claude McCullough, Helen Hatcher.

Woman Dies of Burns. Mrs. Milos Salenka, thirty-sixth and V who was fatally burned when her home caught fire Thursday, died at 7 o'clock last night in the South Omaha hospital without recovering consciousness. Mrs. Salenka was a widow, and leaves two children.

Mrs. Mary Dworak Dead. Mrs. Mary Dworak, aged 21, died at her home, 127 North Thirty-fifth street, South Omaha. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at Vanick's hall.

Graduation Tonight. Sherman C. Kingsley of Chicago, director of the Elizabeth McCormick fund, will be the speaker at the commencement exercises at the mid-term graduation at the South Omaha high school. Mr. Kingsley is regarded as an expert on public welfare work.

The funeral of Mary Floen, 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Floen, who died from burns received when she fell into a pan of scalding water at the Westside school in South Omaha, will be held Saturday at 2 o'clock from the home of her parents at 331 X street. Rev. Mr. Halverson of Omaha will officiate and interment will be at Laurel Hill cemetery.

"Yesterday a gentleman came from a western city to apply for a passport, and when asked what countries he expected to visit, so that his passport could be made out to conform with the regulations, he was unable to say where he was going, although he expected to start immediately. He said at first that he would like to go to India by way of England and France, but when informed that he would probably experience difficulty in entering India, without obtaining special permission, he decided after considering the advantages of going to China, Russia and other countries, that he would limit his trip to Bermuda, the West Indies and certain Latin-American countries.

"A considerable period of time was wasted in discussing his proposed trip and he was earnestly advised to decide at his leisure where he was going and then inform the department, but he insisted upon reaching a decision before leaving the bureau.

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Magic City Gossip. Steam heated rooms, 314 N. 24th. Mrs. George O. Turner visited with relatives in Logan, Ia., last week. Raymond Wilson of the local high school has organized a four-piece orchestra.

The Eagles will give a dance tomorrow evening at the Eagle hall, Twenty-third and N streets. The Columbian club will give a dance this evening at the Columbian hall at Thirty-sixth and R streets.

Runaway June, Besse today. Rev. John G. Albers, temporarily filling the pulpit of the local Christian church, has been chosen as regular pastor and will move his family here at once. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska.

Mrs. Samuel Wier of Clay Center, Kan., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Russel Derbyshire. She came to witness the graduation of Ruth, the daughter of her host, in the graduating exercises to be held at the high school.

For Sale—New 5-room cottage, 23d between K and L. Terms easy. South 196. A lady sun is reported to have been cleared on the senior class play, "Milestones," given at the high school auditorium last Wednesday evening. Garwood Richardson had complete charge of the financial end of the play.

Mid-year commencement exercises will open tonight at 7:30 with his program. President F. S. Richardson of the school board signed the diplomas of the graduates yesterday afternoon, and not a student of the senior B class failed.

Office space for rent in Bee office, 2315 N street. Terms reasonable. Well known location. To South B. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Murphy celebrated the tenth anniversary of their wedding last night at their home, Twenty-sixth and B streets. An eight-course dinner was served to the family, relatives and friends. Dancing followed the dinner.

Want ads for The Bee may be left at The Bee's branch office, 2315 N St. Rates 2c a word for one time, 15c a word each day for three days and 1c a word each day for a week. Prompt and courteous service.

The first and second basket ball teams of the local high school gave an exhibition of basket ball to the graduating eighth-grade students yesterday afternoon at the high school gymnasium. The teams will hold their last practice before the Beatrice game this afternoon.

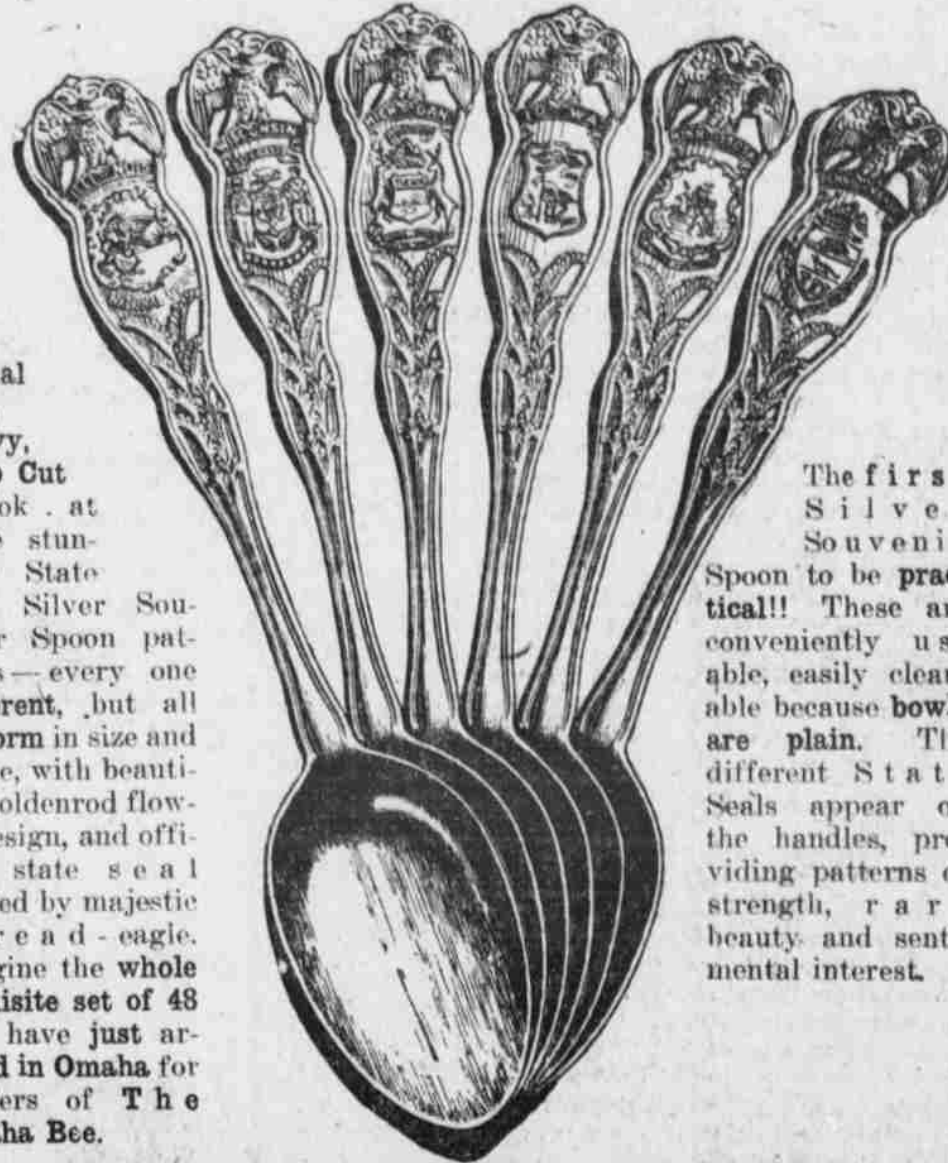
Why did June Runaway? See Norma Phillips, our Mutual girl as June, Besse. Special Officer Stoney caught Frank Pumas in the act of stealing supplies from a car on the track on Twenty-ninth and K streets. Two company keys were found on him, a switch key and a car key. He was brought to the police station and sentenced to thirty days in jail by Police Judge Reed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Financial circles heard tonight apparently well authenticated reports that Daniel G. Reid, chairman of the board of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway, had resigned as a director. It was understood that his resignation was to take effect immediately, although the annual meeting of the company, which has been postponed several times, will not be held until March 15.

Rock Island Chief Will Resign Office

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