

# CONGRESS CONVENES

## House and Senate Meet and Then Adjourn.

Legislators Separate After Short Session in Order to Pay Respect to Memory of Late Senator Allison. Message From President.

As the hands of the clock in the hall of representatives in the national capital converged at noon Monday Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois let fall the gavel that is the outward symbol of his authority as speaker of the house of representatives and announced in his usual short, sharp tones that the members of the house would come to order. As he did so the voices of the legislators, blended in a babel of discussion that filled the immense hall, were suddenly stilled, and they awaited in reverent silence the opening prayer of chaplain Condon.

While this scene was being acted in one end of the capitol another very similar, but on a much smaller scale,



SPEAKER CANNON.

took place at the other end at the same minute as the senate was summoned from its private conversation to public business by the voice of Vice President Fairbanks.

Following the divine invocation in the two houses there were the usual scenes of the swearing in of new members, escorted up to the seats of the presiding officers by their colleagues. As the present session is the second session of the Sixtieth congress, no organization was necessary, Speaker Cannon retaining his authority by virtue of his former election and Mr. Fairbanks as ex officio presiding officer of the senate. The only changes that will be made are those in the committees, made necessary by deaths and resignations.

### Death Causes Adjournment.

Monday's session was very short. After the absolutely necessary business was transacted the two houses adjourned for the day in order to pay proper tribute to the memory of the late Senator Allison of Iowa. His successor, Albert B. Cummins, was sworn in.

Before the house was called to order the crowds of visitors that filled the gallery spent the time of waiting by signaling out for comment well known members. The latter seemingly paid no attention to the comments, which reached them, if at all, only in confused murmurs, and circulated among their colleagues, renewing old friendships, congratulating those whose efforts had resulted in success at the polls and condoling with those who were elected last month to remain at home. Prominent among the men who were the recipients of the latter mournful attention could be marked Representatives Hepburn of Iowa and Landis and Overstreet of Indiana, erstwhile leaders on the Republican side of the house. Judging from their outward appearance, however, these three, with the other unsuccessful candidates for re-election, bore their disappointment with cheerfulness. Their demeanor seemed to indicate that failure to obtain re-election to the house could be regarded in some lights as being far from a calamity.

### Democrats Discuss Situation

On the Democratic side the men who attracted the greatest amount of notice were John Sharp Williams of Mississippi, who has relinquished his post of representative of the house minority in view of his election to a seat in the senate, and Champ Clark, leader of the house Democrats. Each man was made the center of a group of his party colleagues, discussing the chances of fighting successfully against the strong Republican majority in the house. Fewer Democrats than Republicans suffered defeat last month, but the change will not, of course, affect the present session. On the Democratic side the man who was the recipient of the greatest number of condolences seemed to be the aged General Sherwood of Ohio. Representative Kitchin of North Carolina was the butt of many jesting remarks owing to the fact that his district, the Fifth North Carolina, went Republican, while he was elected governor of his state on the Democratic ticket.

Tuesday the house and senate listened to the reading of the president's message, after which adjournment was taken in order to permit of organization for actual work.

### Run Down and Killed by Auto.

Jonathan H. Randolph, of Plainfield, N. J., was killed by an automobile driven by Floyd Cooper of Westfield. Cooper was arrested.

## SIMON ASSUMES PRESIDENCY.

Commander of Haytian Revolutionists Issues Proclamation.

General A. Simon, commander of the revolutionists, who entered Port au Prince at the head of an army of 8,000, issued a proclamation in which he assumed the title of chief executive and declared that he would organize a provisional government pending the assembling of the parliament. The Cuban steamer Oteri arrived from Kingston, having on board General Fouchard and thirty other exiles. General Simon agreed to permit General Fouchard to land.

The two revolutionary leaders remained together for some time at General Simon's headquarters and after what proved to be a very amicable meeting, General Simon proclaimed General Fouchard chief executive of the army, all the forts and the Haytian gunboat firing a salute of twenty-one guns. The situation at Gonaves and St. Marc is grave, the movement in favor of General Antenor Firmin having been greatly strengthened at these places.

## CHURCHES AND WORKINGMEN.

More Than 2,000 Attend Meeting in Philadelphia.

Meetings for workingmen, students and young men of various social organizations in the churches were held at Philadelphia last Sunday under the direction of the federal council of the churches of Christ in America. More than two thousand union men attended the workingmen meeting, which was presided over by Dennis Hayes, fifth vice president of the American Federation of Labor.

Rev. Charles Steizle, superintendent of the department of church and labor of the Presbyterian church, said the first movement for world reform was toward religious democracy, the next toward political democracy and the present movement toward industrial democracy.

"Some day," he said, "war will cease, but it will not be because of peace conferences, but when organized workers declare they will no longer shoot down their fellow workers in order to satisfy the avarice of their rulers."

## FINDLAY CASES ALL NOLLED.

Standard Prosecutions in Other Jurisdictions Declared to Be Sufficient.

Standard Oil prosecutions at Findlay, O., came to a sudden termination when, at the request of Prosecuting Attorney David, all the indictments against the company were nolle prossed.

Prosecutor David's action resulted from the fact that alleged illegal practices that he sought to correct have, it is declared, all been eliminated, and further that suits against the Standard company are now being prosecuted by the attorney general of the United States, the attorney general of Ohio and the federal courts of Missouri.

## LAKE VESSEL REPORTED SUNK.

Steel Freighter D. M. Clemson Thought to Have Foundered.

The steel freight steamer D. M. Clemson, coal laden from Lorain, O., to Duluth, was probably wrecked in the gale on Lake Superior last week and her crew of twenty-two lost.

Wreckage found along the Michigan shore is thought to be from the Clemson. She is of 5,000 tons burden, 478 feet long and 52 feet beam.

## Steamer Soo City Is Lost.

Wreckage which has come ashore at Cape Ray leaves little room for doubt that the steamer Soo City, which for twenty years plied as an excursion vessel on the great lakes, went down with her crew in a gale that lashed the Newfoundland coast two days last week. The steamer was in command of Captain John G. Dillon of Brooklyn. A wife and three children awaited his return home. The exact number of the crew is in doubt. It is known, however, that no less than eighteen men were on board and it has been reported that the crew was recently increased to twenty-eight men.

## Dutch Warships Blockade Coast.

Unable to obtain an amicable settlement of outstanding differences with Venezuela, the Netherlands government has begun a naval demonstration off the coast of the South American republic, and since Wednesday vessels flying the Dutch flag have steamed from Puerto Cabello to La Guayra at a distance of 3,000 yards from the shore. The battleship Jacob Van Heemskerck and the cruisers Gelderland and Friesland are engaged in the operation, which, it is said, will continue indefinitely.

## Missouri Farmer Butchered.

The body of August Wagner, a farmer, was found in the cellar of his home, near Vandala. Wagner's head had been beaten to a pulp and the body unspeakably mutilated. Near the dead man lay a blood stained hatchet with which he had been butchered. Wagner, a bachelor, lived alone in a large house and was reputed to have kept a large sum of money on hand, yet none was found when the house was searched after discovery of the body.

## American Fleet Passes Singapore.

The United States battleship fleet, under command of Rear Admiral Sperry, passed through the harbor at Singapore Sunday. The stately procession impressed both the experts and the many spectators. The scout cruiser Yankee kept in constant communication with the fleet during its passage, but otherwise the battleships did not communicate with the shore.

# ROBBERS GET \$16,500.

## Portland Institution Held Up by Three Masked Men.

President and His Son Obey Command of "Hands Up," While Thief Crawls Through Cage Window and Passes Out the Money.

The East Side bank at Portland, Ore., was robbed Monday evening by three masked men. It is understood that they secured about \$16,500. The president of the bank, Henry H. Newhall, and his son, Roger Newhall, were just closing the day's business when two men armed with pistols entered. President Newhall and his son were ordered to hold up their hands, and while they were thus under the cover of the robbers' revolvers, one man crawled through the cage window, passed out the money and crawled back into the foyer through the window. A third man guarded the entrance. The three men made their escape before an alarm could be sounded.

Both sides of the river are being searched by police and detectives in an effort to apprehend the criminals.

## MORE DAMAGE AT PINE BLUFF.

Property Valued at \$25,000 Slides Into Arkansas River.

A continued rainfall at Pine Bluff, Ark., and the consequent softening of the already crumbling banks has renewed apprehension and it is not improbable that considerable additional property loss may occur, notwithstanding the rapid recession of the Arkansas river, which has fallen a foot. The embankments protecting the wholesale district and county court house are impaired to such an extent that it is feared they will give way.

Property valued at \$25,000 dropped into the river and the caving of the bank is still in progress. The greatest damage occurred in East Baroque street, where 100 feet of ground went into the river. The warehouse of the Arkansas River Packet company, valued at a big figure, is threatened.

## FERRY STEAMER RUNS INTO PIER

Ten Persons Injured in Accident Due to Dense Fog at Oakland.

In one of the densest fogs that has ever been experienced in the bay, the ferry steamer Berkeley ran into the pier while trying to make the slip at the Oakland mole, injuring ten persons, one of them fatally and several seriously.

The force of the collision broke the stanchions supporting one of the forward lifeboats, causing the heavy boat to crash down upon the crowd below. Kate Crowley of Berkeley was badly crushed about the chest and will die. Michael Crell had his right arm almost torn from his body.

A panic ensued among the passengers and there was a wild rush for life preservers, but cooler heads forced the excited men and women to remain in the cabins and prevented what might have been a disaster.

## TWO KILLED IN WRECK.

Santa Fe Passenger Trains Collide at Amarillo Tex.

Two persons were killed, two seriously injured and a number were less seriously hurt by the collision of two Santa Fe passenger trains at Amarillo, Tex.

The dead: Ed Maxan of Roswell, N. M., engineer; J. J. Smith, mail clerk.

Seriously injured: W. H. Nelson of Amarillo, conductor; Fireman Holstein.

Having orders to meet at Haney, a siding near Amarillo, the northbound train, arriving first, reduced speed. The southbound came down the track about the same time. Frost prevented a reduction of speed after the air-brakes were applied.

## FARM YIELDS ARE INCREASING.

Bureau of Soils to Investigate Semi-Arid Belt of Northwest.

Prof. Whitney, chief of the bureau of soils, reported that the farming lands of the United States aggregate 838,591,774 acres and that the yield per acre on all cereal crops have increased. The bureau of soils intends to make an investigation of soils of the semi-arid belt of the northwest, with a view to ascertaining the nature of the soil, what it is adapted to and how it can best be improved.

While searching for a burglar whom he believed was lurking in his cellar, Dr. C. E. Brown, a prominent physician of Springfield, Mo., accidentally killed himself. Dr. Brown had been aroused from his sleep by a noise in the basement of his home. Revolver in hand, he went in search of the intruder. When he reached the cellar he became excited and dropped the weapon. The bullet penetrated the lower part of his body, death resulting in a few hours.

## Mrs. Ingersoll Wins Suit.

The supreme court of the United States decided in favor of Mrs. Ingersoll the case of Mrs. Eva A. Ingersoll, widow of the late Robert G. Ingersoll, against Joseph Coram and others, involving a claim of \$100,000 by Mrs. Ingersoll on account of services rendered by her husband in the breaking of the will of Andrew J. Davis, a Montana millionaire.

## PROFITS OF \$55,000,000.

What Standard Oil Company of Indiana Earned Between 1899 and 1906.

Figures showing some of the profits of the Standard Oil company became part of the court record in the federal suit at New York to dissolve the Standard Oil company when John D. Archbold resumed the stand for a brief examination and Henry Tilford, president of the Standard Oil company of California, testified at some length as a witness for the defense.

The government inquisitor, on figures submitted, showed that the Continental Oil company, a Standard subsidiary in the middle west, made profits of 115 per cent on its capitalization of \$300,000 and that the Standard Oil company of Indiana, on a capitalization of \$1,000,000, earned about \$55,000,000 between 1899 and 1906. Counsel for the company declared the actual assets of the company were greater than the capitalization, as the companies had turned back large sums from earnings.

Counsel for the government sought to prove by Mr. Tilford that in California and other western states the Standard had made contracts with its competitors whereby it obtained all the crude oil supply. Mr. Tilford said he had little knowledge of these contracts. Referring to oil trade rate cutting in Colorado and elsewhere, Mr. Tilford said the Standard never cut prices to undersell its competitors, but lowered rates to meet the reductions of its rivals.

## COLONEL COOPER IN COURT.

Called to Answer on the Charge of Shooting Senator Carmack.

Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, father of Robin Cooper, who was with the latter when he shot and killed ex-Senator Edward W. Carmack on the street at Nashville, Tenn., on Nov. 9, was brought into court Tuesday for trial on the charge of murder. At the same time John D. Sharp, former sheriff of this county, was also placed on trial. The two men are charged with complicity in the shooting.

Robin Cooper, who fired the shots which killed Carmack, was wounded and is still under treatment. He will be placed on trial later. The shooting was the result of attacks made on Colonel Cooper by Carmack in the latter's newspaper, the Tennessean.

## Eleven Killed, Twenty-Six Hurt

An explosion in the magazine at the military station at Calcutta, India, resulted in the killing of eleven men and the wounding of twenty-six others. Most of the injured will die. The casualties were all among native soldiers and noncommissioned officers. At the time of the explosion the men were engaged in converting ball cartridges into blank cartridges.

## Ames Wins Dairy Contest.

The Iowa state college team has been awarded the \$300 cup and sweepstakes trophy as winner of the dairy show students' judging contest at Chicago. The University of Nebraska team was second, Minnesota third. F. D. Hawk of Iowa won first individual first, J. H. Gramlich of Nebraska second.

## Mrs. Maybrick Gets Big Sum.

The case of Florence Maybrick and mother, Baroness von Roque of New York, involving title to land said to be worth about \$2,500,000, was decided in their favor in the chancery court at Richmond, Va.

## Keefe Takes Oath of Office.

Daniel J. Keefe of Michigan was sworn in as commissioner general of immigration.

## CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Features of the Day's Trading and Closing Quotations.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Wheat prices on the local exchange declined 2c today for the May and July deliveries, owing to general selling, based on a bearish showing of the government report. The market closed weak at the lowest point. Corn, oats and provisions also closed weak. Closing prices:

Wheat—Dec., \$1.04½; May, \$1.08½.  
Corn—Dec., 60½@60¾c; May, 62½@62¾c; July, 62¾c.  
Oats—Dec., 49½@49¾c; May, 52c.  
Pork—Jan., \$15.80; May, \$16.07½.  
Lard—Jan., \$9.15; May, \$9.35.  
Ribs—Jan., \$8.22½; May, \$8.47½.  
Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.05½@1.07½; No. 3 corn, 60@60½c; No. 2 white oats, 52½c.

## South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, Dec. 7.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,000; steady; native steers, \$4.00@7.25; cows and heifers, \$3.00@4.75; western steers, \$2.25@6.00; Texas steers, \$2.90@4.50; canners, \$2.00@2.75; stockers and feeders, \$3.60@5.25; calves, \$3.25@6.00; bulls, stags, etc., \$2.25@4.00. Hogs—Receipts, 6,000; 10@15c lower; heavy, \$5.45@5.60; mixed, \$5.40@5.50; light, \$5.30@5.50; pigs, \$3.50@5.00; bulk of sales, \$5.40@5.55. Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; slow, 10@15c lower; yearlings, \$4.75@5.50; wethers, \$4.15@4.85; ewes, \$3.25@4.40; lambs, \$6.00@6.65.

## Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Cattle—Receipts, \$5,000; best steady, others 10@15c lower; steers, \$4.60@8.00; cows, \$3.00@5.25; heifers, \$2.50@4.60; bulls, \$2.75@4.50; calves, \$2.50@6.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@4.85. Hogs—Receipts, 78,000; 15@20c lower; choice heavy shipping, \$5.80@5.85; butchers, \$5.75@5.80; light mixed, \$5.15@5.40; packing, \$5.60@5.80; pigs, \$5.50@4.50; bulk of sales, \$5.35@5.75. Sheep—Receipts, 45,000; 15@25c lower; sheep, \$4.00@4.50; lambs, \$5.25@6.75; yearlings, \$4.25@5.25.

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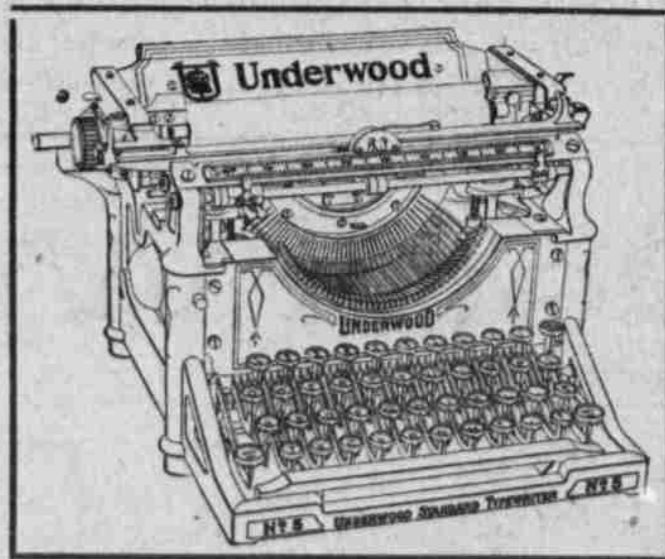
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