

DELAYS RAIL BILL

Resists Attempt to Bring it to Vote Saturday.

FAVORS THOROUGH DEBATE.

Iowa Senator Declares Two Weeks Should Be Taken to Consider Amendments to Measure and That Hasty Action Would Be a Joke—Opposes Hale and Elkins.

Washington, April 5.—Declaring that no less than two weeks' time will be necessary to consider the amendments already offered to the railroad bill, Senator Cummins resisted the combined efforts of Senators Hale and Elkins to obtain an agreement to vote next Saturday on the bill. The Iowa senator not only objected to the proposition, but he pronounced it a joke.

Senator Bacon made it evident that if no one else had objected, he would do so. He contended that the managers of the bill were not justified in asking for an agreement looking to a vote until they are able to present a perfected bill.

Elkins brought up the question of a vote after the close of a speech by Senator Crawford advocating the amendment of the commerce court provision of the bill.

"I don't want to rush senators," said Elkins, "but we all want to get away from here by the 15th of June. I, therefore, urge that senators desiring to speak on the bill or amendments will prepare themselves to do so and give us an opportunity to vote."

Cummins regarded Elkins as not only amiable, but jocular. There were more than 100 amendments to this bill to be considered, he said, and no less than a fortnight would be necessary for the duty. He suggested as a substitute an agreement that no less than three hours a day be devoted to the consideration of the bill and amendments until disposed of.

Bacon would not consent.

"Senators say the bill has been here six weeks," he said. "It is not here yet. Amendments have been offered, which none have seen, and we receive no assurance as to when the bill would be completed."

"The amendments are not of a kind that surprise senators," said Hale.

"We don't know," replied Bacon, "when he haven't seen them."

Cummins brought the discussion to an end by presenting an amendment striking out the provision authorizing the submission in advance of amendments to the court of commerce. The senate then went into executive session and adjourned without further proceedings on the railroad bill.

SUGAR TRUST IMMUNE

Judge Lacombe Refuses to Punish Combine for Contempt.

New York, April 5.—United States Judge Lacombe refused to punish the American Sugar Refining company for contempt of court. The government had asked that the corporation be declared in contempt for refusing to produce its books before the grand jury investigating the sugar underweighing frauds, in response to a subpoena directed to the company and served upon its secretary, Charles R. Heike.

Heike refused to produce the books unless sworn before the grand jury. The government, believing that ground for a claim of immunity might thus be established, declined to put him under oath, and the grand jury consequently did not obtain possession of the books. Judge Lacombe said he regarded the subpoena served on Heike as far too sweeping to be reasonable. A second subpoena, however, which was served on the president and resident agent of the company and restricted to specified books, was upheld by the court, which denied the application of the company's counsel to set it aside.

Cheaper Butter in Sight.

New York, April 5.—Dealers on the wholesale butter market here predicted that as a result of the reduction in the tariff on cream from 11 to 5 cents a gallon, there shortly will be large quantities of cheaper butter offered to consumers of New York, Chicago and other cities within a reasonable distance of the Canadian border.

Oklahoma Strikes Back.

Guthrie, Okla., April 5.—As a part of the retaliatory program against the railroads for an attack upon Oklahoma's 2-cent passenger and state freight rates, the state corporation commission issued a proposed general order making reductions of 19 to 26 per cent in the present freight rates, except live stock.

Hailstorm at Barnard, Mo.

Barnard, Mo., April 5.—This locality was visited by the worst hailstorm ever known in northwest Missouri. Plate glass windows were shattered and fruit trees were stripped of bloom, ruining the crop. The hailstones measured three inches in circumference.

Chicago Corn Firm Falls.

Chicago, April 5.—Application for a receivership was made here by the Burns-Yantis Grain company of Chicago and Buffalo. Mr. Burns explained that the application was made in order to conserve the interest of creditors. The firm is known chiefly as a cash corn concern.

TO CLIMB MT. M'KINLEY.

Famous Alaska Mountain and Prof. H. C. Parker.



MT. M'KINLEY THEIR GOAL.

Dozen Parties Will Look for Records. Dr. Cook Says He Placed on Peak.

Seattle, Wash., April 4.—More than a dozen parties are forming in various sections of the United States to attempt the ascent of Mount McKinley this summer. The goal seems to be to find records, said Dr. Frederick A. Cook to have been left at the summit.

Among these expeditions will be the Parker-Brown party, headed by Professor Herschel C. Parker of Columbia university, and Belmont Brown, both of whom accompanied Dr. Cook in his trip to the mountain in 1906, which will leave Seattle on April 29 for Cook's Inlet. From this place they will ascend the Sulistna river by launch and canoe.

Various other expeditions have been announced.

SWITCHING LAW HELD VOID

Supreme Court Sets Aside Nebraska Act of 1905.

Washington, April 5.—The statute of Nebraska, enacted in 1905, requiring railroads to grant switching facilities to all grain elevators along their right of way was declared unconstitutional by the supreme court of the United States. However, it was added that the decision should not prejudice cases arising under the law as amended recently.

STARVES HERSELF TO DEATH

Mrs. D. E. Evans of Topeka, Charged With Arson, Dies in Jail.

Topeka, Kan., April 5.—Mrs. D. E. Evans, who was arrested at Logan, Ia., was brought to Topeka to answer the charge of arson and died in jail here, having deliberately starved herself to death.

Stop All Tipping in Washington.

Washington, April 4.—A subcommittee of the house committee on the District of Columbia, headed by Representative Campbell of Kansas, reported favorably a bill by Representative Murphy of Missouri, under the terms of which all giving or tip receiving in hotels, restaurants and cafes in Washington shall constitute a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not exceeding \$500.

Murder at Wahpeton, N. D.

Wahpeton, N. D., April 5.—Albert Moe was murdered here by thugs bent on robbery, and his body thrown into the Red river.

CENT BREAK IN WHEAT

General Rains in Southwest Start Fresh Selling Wave.

Chicago, April 4.—Indications of a complete break in drought conditions in the southwest started general selling of wheat here today, which resulted in declines of more than 1c in all deliveries. Corn and oats closed at material declines. Provisions held firm all day. Closing prices:

Wheat—May, \$1.13½; July, \$1.06¼. Corn—May, 60c; July, 62¼@62½c. Oats—May, 42½@42¾c; July, 40½c. Pork—May, \$25.17½; July, \$25.22½. Lard—May, \$13.70; July, \$13.40. Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.14@1.15; No. 2 corn, 59¼c; No. 2 oats, 42@43c.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, April 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,700; 10c higher; native steers, \$6.00@8.10; cows and heifers, \$3.50@6.20; western steers, \$3.75@7.00; Texas steers, \$3.00@6.00; range cows and heifers, \$2.80@5.60; canners, \$2.25@3.75; stockers and feeders, \$3.75@7.00; calves, \$4.25@8.25; bulls and stags, \$3.50@6.00. Hogs—Receipts, 4,000; shade lower; heavy, \$10.60@10.75; mixed, \$10.55@10.65; light, \$10.60@10.65; pigs, \$9.00@10.00; bulk of sales, \$10.50@10.65. Sheep—Receipts, 6,300; 10@25c lower; yearlings, \$8.25@9.00; wethers, \$7.25@8.40; ewes, \$7.00@8.20; lambs, \$9.00@9.75.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, April 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 11,000; strong to 10c higher; natives, \$5.65@8.60; Texas steers, \$5.00@6.50; western steers, \$5.00@7.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.90@6.75; cows and heifers, \$2.85@7.25; calves, \$8.00@9.25. Hogs—Receipts, 18,000; strong; light, \$10.45@10.80; mixed, \$10.55@10.90; good to choice heavy, \$10.70@10.92½; pigs, \$9.60@10.50; bulk of sales, \$10.70@10.85. Sheep—Receipts, 14,000; weak to 10c lower; natives, \$5.35@9.00; westerns, \$5.60@9.00; yearlings, \$5.10@9.20; lambs, \$8.25@10.15.

NOT TO VISIT POPE

Papal Secretary Gives Out Statement of Roosevelt Incident.

METHODISTS THE OBSTACLE.

Audience With Pontiff Is Cancelled Upon Failure to Exact Promise That Former President Would Not Visit Protestants—Tells What Followed After Exchange of Telegrams.

Rome, April 5.—Twice Theodore Roosevelt was the guest of King Victor Emmanuel. The king received the ex-president at an early hour with particular warmth and they talked together for nearly an hour. Last evening there was a grand dinner at the palace, given by the king and queen in honor of Colonel Roosevelt and his family.

Now that Mr. Roosevelt has made public the documents which the vatican had considered confidential, Cardinal Merry Del Val, papal secretary of state, wishes the entire history of the negotiations for the audience which the former president sought of Pope Pius X to be known.

Cardinal Merry Del Val is credited with the responsibility for the vatican's part in the matter and the following may be accepted as his version:

Following the exchanges between Mr. Kennedy and American Ambassador Leshman and Mr. Roosevelt's decision not to be received under the terms imposed, John Callan O'Laughlin, who was assistant secretary of state in 1909, and a personal friend of Mr. Roosevelt, called upon Cardinal Merry Del Val, bearing an introduction from Mr. Falconio, apostolic delegate in the United States. Immediately after being introduced to the presence of the cardinal, Mr. O'Laughlin said:

"I do not come in the name of Mr. Roosevelt, but on my own account as an American Catholic."

Cardinal Merry Del Val said: "Then what are we here for? It is useless to discuss the matter. If you do not represent Mr. Roosevelt you cannot make any arrangements or speak for him."

Answer of Mr. O'Laughlin.

Mr. O'Laughlin replied: "What I consider important is to tell your eminence that if the two dispatches sent by Mr. Kennedy are retracted I can assure you that Mr. Roosevelt will accept an audience."

Cardinal Merry Del Val said: "I will not discuss Mr. Roosevelt's rights, but give me confidential assurances that, de facto, Mr. Roosevelt will not go to the Methodists and the audience will occur."

Mr. O'Laughlin refused to give this assurance.

The cardinal then said:

"Mr. Roosevelt is free to go to the Methodists and do whatever he chooses, but the pontiff is certainly free not to receive a man who would claim the right to insult him on the day after having been received by him, or perhaps on the same day, as, according to your statement, he may leave Rome on the same day of the papal audience, thus leaving only between noon and evening Tuesday in which to see the Methodists."

"It is of little consequence whether he is a Catholic, Protestant, Israelite or Buddhist. All religious persons merit the same esteem. The important thing is to be honest and sincere. So far as the form of belief is concerned, I believe that all honest people will be always on good terms with God."

Roosevelt Seeks Audience.

Mr. Roosevelt sought an audience with the pope through American Ambassador Leshman and received a reply that the holy father would be delighted to receive him, but the answer was coupled with an expression of the hope that the audience would not be prevented by such a regrettable incident as made an audience for former Vice President Fairbanks impossible.

Mr. Roosevelt, in turn, stated that he could not accept any stipulation limiting his freedom of conduct. To the latter message the vatican made answer that the audience could not take place excepting on the understanding first made known. On March 29 Mr. Roosevelt sent to Ambassador Leshman the following cablegram: "Proposed presentation is, of course, now impossible."

The Rev. B. M. Tipple, pastor of the American Methodist church in Rome, after being received by Mr. Roosevelt, issued a statement expressing the greatest satisfaction that the ex-president did not leave an audience with the pope.

Roosevelt Meets Pope April 11. Rome, April 5.—Roosevelt will meet Gifford Pinchot at Genoa, April 11.

Two Tobacco Plants Closed.

Louisville, April 5.—The strike of tobacco stemmers for higher wages which was inaugurated last week, resulted in the closing by the American Tobacco company of two of its largest plants. About 4,000 men and women are now on a strike.

Injured in Auto Wreck.

Shelbyville, Ky., April 4.—Miss Clay Willis was perhaps fatally injured and her father, W. C. Willis, prominent Shelbyville attorney, prominent Long of Louisville sustained painful injuries in an automobile accident.

CONDENSED NEWS

Taxicab drivers in Chicago are on strike against open shop.

Secretary Ballinger will not allow Pinchot's friends further access to interior land office files.

The Philadelphia street carmen, who have been on strike six weeks, voted to remain out.

Reported discovery of gold in British New Guinea is causing excitement in Australian mining circles.

Robbers dynamited the safe of the Oak Woods (Tex.) State bank, secured \$5,000 and made their escape.

Hubert Le Blon, French aviator, met death while making a flight in an aeroplane at San Sebastian, Spain.

The Pennsylvania railroad opened its new tunnel from Harrison, N. J., to Sunnyside, L. L., for public inspection.

Mistaking her for a burglar, James Vanderwoort, a farmer living near Wellington, Kan., shot and killed his wife.

Rains will be general throughout the United States during the present week, according to the predictions of the weather bureau.

Approximately 42,875 acres of land in Montana were designated by Secretary Ballinger for settlement under the enlarged homestead act.

Miss Freda Norrence was shot and killed by Nathan Pollock, a rejected suitor, while standing on a crowded street corner in San Francisco.

Announcement was made of the sudden death of Dr. Borden Parker Bowne, professor of philosophy and dean of the graduates' school of arts and science, Boston university.

Des Moines will entertain the United States military tournament during the week of Sept. 25 to Oct. 1, inclusive, just one month after the Iowa state fair.

Switzerland's large Catholic college, the Mariabühl, located near Schyzz, with the church library, burned. Five hundred students and professors had a narrow escape.

Sir Christopher Furness' plan of operating the shipyard of Furness, Whithy & Co. at West Hartlepool on co-operative lines has collapsed with a trial of one year.

A cyclone struck the Lansingville section of Youngstown, O., wrecking a dozen buildings and unroofing several others. Five persons were injured, none seriously.

Governor Haskell of Oklahoma vetoed the bill abolishing the state dispensary. The governor said that the bill contained a "joker" that gave a free rein to the liquor dealers.

Four robbers blew the safe of the Bank of Stuart at Stuart, Okla., and secured \$2,200. The explosion awakened the residents of the town, but the robbers escaped on a handcar.

Senator Gore, the blind senator from Oklahoma, again advocated the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people in a speech before the Women's Democratic club of New York.

September of this year will witness the most elaborate celebration ever held in Mexico, the observance of the centennial of its independence. Every city and village in the republic will participate.

Dr. Penn W. Ransom was killed and three companions were injured at Rockford, Ill., when the touring car in which they were riding turned turtle, crushing Dr. Ransom, who was at the wheel, beneath it.

So called "recovery" houses, which obtain spirits by soaking empty barrels, have been called on by the internal revenue bureau to show cause why they should not be prohibited from continuing this practice.

More than 2,000,000 packages of matches went up in smoke during a spectacular fire that destroyed two adjoining factories of the Diamond Match company at St. Louis with a total loss estimated at \$175,000.

Burglars stole a safe weighing 4,000 pounds from R. Jenkins' pool hall at Webb City, Mo., hauled it in a stolen wagon two miles into the country and blew it open. They escaped with \$152 in cash, three watches and a number of checks.

"The order must continue to be the rallying ground for all Jews regardless of political or religious opinions," declared Adolph Kraus of Chicago, president of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, in his message to the grand lodge convention in Washington.

Within two months there will be a gathering in Washington or Ottawa, just which capital has not been determined, of the representatives of the United States and Canadian governments for the purpose of negotiating a reciprocity and trade treaty between the two countries.

The ferocious campaign of Mohamud Abdullah of Somaliland, "The Mad Mullah," against the sultanates under British protection continues unchecked. Eight hundred of the tribesmen friendly to the sultanates have been slaughtered, vast areas laid waste and towns raided.

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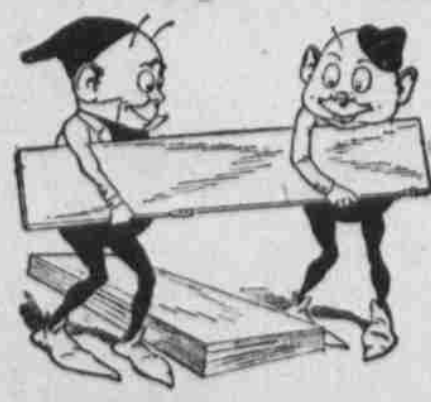
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