

NATIONAL LEGISLATION

Senate to Dispassionate Appropriations Quickly to Make Way for Subsidy Bill

POSSESSIONS MAY GET ATTENTION

In the House Revenue Reduction Likely to Inspire Vigorous Debate—Hearing Practiced May Be Considered Any Time—Other Matters in Washington

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—If consideration of the naval appropriation bill is completed Monday, as it is supposed to be, the ship subsidy bill will be called up by Senator Frye and that bill will continue to receive the attention of the senate during the remainder of the day.

There will be no effort to prevent displacement of the subsidy bill by the appropriations bill. The committee on appropriations hopes to be able to report the fortifications appropriation bill by the time the agricultural bill shall be disposed of and the army appropriation bill is expected to be reached later in the week.

No decision has been reached yet as to whether there will be renewed effort to secure night sessions in the considering of the subsidy bill, but the present indications are that there will be no further immediate attempt in that direction.

Such interest is felt in the effort which is to be made to secure legislation in connection with the army appropriation bill in regard to the Philippines and Cuba. It has been always supposed that any attempt in either direction would open up the entire colonial policy of the administration and lead to interminable debate, but there is now unquestionably a quite general acquiescence in the effort to be made for Philippine and Cuban legislation.

Ever since Charles Thomson Ritchie, the new home secretary, came into office last November efforts to secure the release of Mrs. Maybrick have been active and have continued up to within a very few days ago.

The authorities conversant with the attempt to secure the famous prisoner's freedom assert that if at last she is to be given her liberty this may be regarded as due to the influence of King Edward and may be interpreted as a token of appreciation of American sympathy over the death of Queen Victoria.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 9.—Through B. C. Eldridge of South Omaha the Armour Packing company pleaded guilty in Justice Green's court to the charge of violating the state game laws. A car of quail was found in the company's possession last week, and proceedings were begun by legal members of the Fish and Game Protection association. On the plea of guilty the company was fined \$600, which was paid promptly.

NEBRASKA CITY, Feb. 9.—The packing houses in this city, which were closed down last summer on account of a disagreement among the stockholders of the Chicago Packing and Provision company, have been bought by a new company and will be started up immediately.

CAPTOWN, Feb. 9.—Albert C. Wright, editor of the South African News, who was arrested yesterday charged with criminal and seditious libel, has been released and is expected to return to his home in London.

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SWARMS OF BOERS.

Major Crewe's Column Recounters Them— and Three Fighting Follow.

LONDON, Cape Colony, Feb. 11.—Details have been received here of severe fighting at Tabaksberg mountain, forty miles east of the railway and about midway between Smalldeale and Bloemfontein. Major Crewe, with a composite column traveling southwest, sighted the mountain on the morning of January 31. He heard heavy firing and knowing that Colonel Picher's column was on the other side of the mountain he concluded that this office was in action. Consequently he hurried forward, only to meet Boers streaming down and evidently retiring from Colonel Picher's fiffide shells.

Major Crewe was just touching the southern point of the mountain when a terrific rifle fire opened from a large force of Boers who were in ambush on the mountain. The fight soon became general. The Boers outnumbered the British five to one and were attacking them on both flanks and the rear. The British pomps jammed and became useless. Major Crewe grasped the situation and by a brilliant move got the convoy into a safe position.

Between 7 and 8 o'clock in the evening the Boers charged the position and turned both flanks. The British ammunition became exhausted and Major Crewe was obliged to retreat and abandon the pomps after the advance party had endeavored to save it and had sustained severe losses.

A rear guard action was fought by Major Crewe into the camp, where the wagons had been laagered. He personally superintended the retreat, the Boers harassing him throughout. Entrenchments were thrown up during the night.

When morning came Major Crewe started to join General Knox, twelve miles southwest. The Boers immediately reattacked him, compelling him to fight a second rearguard action for a few miles. General Dewet personally commanded the Boers, estimated at 2,500. Major Crewe's force was only 700. Eventually the British officer joined General Knox and returned to Bloemfontein. Lord Kitchener has highly complimented Major Crewe on the achievement.

MAY RELEASE MRS. MAYBRICK

Will Be Given Her Freedom After 13 Year's Imprisonment.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—A special telegram from London to the Chicago Record says: A well authenticated report reaches the Record correspondent tonight to the effect that Florence T. T. Maybrick will be released from Aylesbury prison tomorrow (Monday). At the United States embassy nothing is known about the matter, and Ambassador Choate when seen at his residence tonight declined either to deny or confirm the rumor.

The Boers held up a Natal mail train near Vlakfontein. The few soldiers on board exhausted their cartridges and the Boers then robbed the passengers, afterward allowing the train to proceed.

WILD RUMORS AFLOAT

Reports Go Round London That Chamberlain Is Reconsidering.

TALK OF THE RECALL OF MILNER

Round Table Conference with Liberal Leaders in Contemplation—The Story is Denied—The Mouthpiece of Colonial Secretary.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Public attention has again turned to South Africa by the dispatch of reinforcements and the publication of Lord Roberts' mail dispatches. Rumors have been in circulation that Mr. Chamberlain has reconsidered his South African policy and was contemplating a round-table conference with Mr. John Morley and Sir William Harcourt and the recall of Sir Alfred Milner.

Lord Roberts asserts deliberately that the permanent tranquillity of the republic "depends on the complete disarmament of the inhabitants, a task difficult, I admit, but attainable with time and patience."

Looking at all the circumstances, Lord Roberts says the campaign is "unique in the annals of war" and he pays the highest tribute to the gallantry and worth of the troops, declaring that "no finer force ever took the field under the British flag."

The appearance of bubonic plague at Capetown seems likely to add to the difficulties of the situation. The authorities there have decided upon a wholesale extermination of rats.

Today Sir Alfred Milner makes another earnest appeal to employers to allow as many men as possible to enroll in the colonial mounted defense force.

From Delagoa Bay it is reported that the British have occupied Ermelo and Carolina, which until recently were Boer depots.

OUTLINING THE KING'S SPEECH

British Cabinet Council Holds Session to Frame the Document.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The cabinet meeting today will presumably settle the terms of King Edward's speech at the opening of his first parliament. February 19, which may be expected to partially repeat his majesty's speech to the privy council on accession day.

RECOMMEND WYOMING MEN.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Senators Warren and Clark and Representative Modell of Wyoming have recommended for appointment as officers in the regular army under the new reorganization act, all the Wyoming men now in the volunteer service.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The house committee on colonies, weights and measures decided to report favorably the bill establishing a branch mint at Omaha and appropriating \$100,000 therefor. Sutherland of the Fifth district of Nebraska was the member of the sub-committee that took initial action.

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ANOTHER HALLUCINATED SYSTEM.

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FOURTY DENIES THE RUMOR.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—President Warren O. Farley of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad today made a statement in which he denied the rumor that he had been named as a possible candidate for the United States presidency.

FINANCING BY UNION PACIFIC.

Plan for New Acquisition is Agreed on by the Executive Committee.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—A plan for financing the acquisition of controlling interests in the Southern Pacific on behalf of the Union Pacific was today agreed upon by the executive committee of the Union Pacific, which will make an official announcement tomorrow.

Union Pacific was a market leader again today. Both common and preferred rose. Over 125,000 shares of common were sold. The heaviest buyer was John W. Gates. All his brokers were on the floor. He bought 40,000 shares.

WILL OPPOSE SENATE BILL.

Republicans Discuss War Revenue Amendments.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The republican members of the ways and means committee met this afternoon to formulate a plan of action relative to the war revenue bill, but no definite conclusion was reached beyond the decision to nonconcur in the senate amendments.

The action of the senate in substituting an entirely new bill for the bill as it passed the house, is looked upon as a distinct invasion of the prerogative of the house to initiate revenue legislation and at the meeting today some of the members favored radical action to sustain what they consider the constitutional rights of the house to originate revenue legislation.

Another proposition, and the one that met with most favor, was to report back the bill to the house tomorrow with a recommendation of non-concurrence, but without a request for a conference. This would require the senate to ask for a conference if any was to be held.

NO MORE APPOINTMENTS.

Wait Awhile for Creation of a Vacancy in the List of Generals.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—It is said at the war office that no more general officers of the army will be appointed until the senate has acted on those sent in on Tuesday. One reason is that there will be no vacancy in the list of generals unless General Miles is confirmed in the higher rank. Unless a vacancy occurs in that manner, it is predicted that it will be filled by the appointment of Colonel C. Bates, who was yesterday nominated a brigadier general.

Under the present plan Brigadier General Schwann, nominated yesterday, will be retired immediately after his confirmation, and Colonel Daggett of the Fourteenth infantry will be appointed to the vacancy.

FOR BRANCH MINT IN OMAHA.

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TEN SOLDIERS CRUSHED

Men of Tenth Infantry Meet Death on the Rail.

WETE ON THEIR WAY TO NEBRASKA

Five Bodies Taken from the Debris and Here Believed to Be Buried—Locomotive Jumps the Track While Running at a Very High Rate of Speed.

GREENVILLE, Pa., Feb. 8.—Train No. 5, the New York-Chicago limited, on the Erie railroad, was wrecked this morning within the town limits. Five passengers were dead when taken from the wreck, several are missing and there are many seriously injured.

SERGEANT MAJOR HARRY A. HART, Fort Wood, N. Y.

GEORGE W. PATTERSON, Philadelphia, private, Company I, Tenth United States Infantry, carried card of iron molders' union.

PETER J. CURRY, Cuboco, N. Y.; private Tenth infantry, aged 21.

UNKNOWN MAN, aged about 35.

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The ill-fated train was composed entirely of vestibuled Pullmans, three sleepers, a day coach, combination smoker and baggage and mail car, and was drawn by one of the new Atlantic type of engines. It was on the smoking compartment that death laid a ruthless hand, for not one of the sixteen occupants escaped being killed or injured.

The scene of the wreck is on a sharp curve. On one side, forty feet below, flows the Shenango river; on the other is a steep bluff. The engine left the track at the curve and before it had gone two car lengths plowed into the steep hill, where it fell on its side and was half buried.

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A party of soldiers, nine in number, on their way from Fort Porter, N. Y., to Fort Crook, Neb., in charge of Sergeant Major Harry A. Hart, of New York, occupied a part of the smoker.

The track was blocked for twelve hours, the work of clearing the wreck progressing slowly, and it is believed other bodies are still beneath the debris.

DISCUSS THE KAISER'S VISIT.

German Newspapers Have Varying Views on His Reception in England.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—The Cologne Gazette, reverting to Emperor William's visit to England, insists that his respect and love for his grandmother alone dictated the visit, his reception being purely personal. It acknowledges the existence of a "strong British tendency in many circles in Germany," and asserts that "nothing could be more disastrous to Germany than the opposition of Great Britain."

SOUTH DAKOTA MEMORIAL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Congressman Gamble today presented a memorial from the South Dakota legislature urging the establishment of a permanent military post at Fort Mead, S. D.; also a memorial urging the erection of an Indian school at Everett, S. D.

The Metropolitan National bank of Chicago was today approved as a reserve agent for the first National National bank of Philadelphia, the National bank of Danversport, Ia.; the first National National bank of Chicago, the first National National bank of Sioux City and the first National National bank of Everetts, Ia.

FACED BY THE SENATOR.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—The rumor about today to the effect that the packing interests of Armour, Swift and Neison Morris were to be consolidated, with a capital of \$125,000,000, was denied tonight by all the packers interested.

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THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations from South Omaha and Kansas City.

UNION STOCK YARDS, SOUTH OMAHA—CATTLE.—The supply of cattle fell considerably short of the number received the last few days, and as the demand was of quite liberal proportions, the market on good stuff ruled active and a little stronger all around. There were not many good to choice beef steers offered, and as there was considerable competition on such grades, prices were stronger than yesterday.

There was not as liberal a supply here as yesterday and the market opened 5/16c higher. The first sales were mostly at \$2.75 and \$3.00 and as high as \$3.25, was paid for prime heavyweights. The hog market was not much moved toward the scales very rapidly, as packers did not like to pay the advance and were slow about taking hold.

There were only about three cars of sheep included in today's receipts and consequently hardly enough to make a good test of the market. The few bunches offered, though were bought at just about yesterday's prices. Lambs sold as high as \$5.00 and ewes brought \$3.60. The light supply of wethers continues, the bulk of the receipts being ewes and lambs, which naturally make the wethers bring strong prices, as compared to the ewes and lambs. Feeders may be quoted practically steady, both for the day and for the week.

KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE.—Beef steers, including Texas and western, steady to the higher, but not steady; native beef steers, \$4.50 to \$5.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.75 to \$4.00; western fed steers, \$4.00 to \$4.50; Texas and Indian steers, \$3.75 to \$4.25; cubs, \$3.75 to \$4.25; canners, \$2.25 to \$2.50; bulls, \$3.00 to \$3.25; calves, \$5.00 to \$7.50.

HOGS.—Market 5/16c higher; top, \$4.90; bulk of sales, \$3.90 to \$4.10; heavy, \$3.60 to \$3.80; mixed packers, \$3.25 to \$3.50; light, \$3.20 to \$3.40; pigs, \$3.50 to \$4.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS.—Market 3/16c lower; western lambs, \$5.00 to \$5.25; western wethers, \$4.15 to \$4.40; western yearlings, \$3.25 to \$3.75; ewes, \$3.25 to \$3.50; culls, \$2.00 to \$2.50.

CARNEGIE NOT AFTER CASH.

He is Willing to Surrender His Stock for Five Per Cent.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 9.—Financial and steel men of Pittsburgh are anxiously awaiting further information from New York relative to the Carnegie deal, but not a word from Carnegie has yet appeared. Here today that gave any intelligence as to what progress is being made by the Morgan syndicate, it is learned from private advices that very little cash will be required to consummate the deal.

Mr. Carnegie will withdraw entirely from the affairs of the Carnegie company, taking for the transfer of his stock a sum exceeding \$85,000,000 in guaranteed 5 per cent bonds, which are to be a first lien on the Carnegie and other properties.

REPLY IS EXPECTED SOON.

Great Britain's Mind is Made Up on the Canal Question.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—It has been learned by a representative of the Associated Press that a reply will shortly be sent to the United States' Nicaragua canal project. It will not comply with the senate's demands. Neither will it be in the nature of a flat refusal, though for purposes of immediate construction it will be tantamount to such a refusal. It will consist mainly in a counter proposal, or proposals, likely to necessitate extended negotiations.

The nature of the proposal is not yet ascertainable. Lord Pauncefoot will probably be the medium through whom the answer will be sent and by whom the subsequent negotiations will chiefly be conducted. In British official opinion it is likely that several months will elapse before the matter reaches a conclusion, by which time the Hay-Pauncefoot treaty will have lapsed on the basis of the senate's amendments.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Feb. 8.—The legislature of Virginia today accepted from Tennessee the cession of one-half of Main street in this city as the boundary line between the two states. The matter has been in litigation for many years.

BLOWS OFF SISTER'S HEAD.

Eight-Year-Old Boy of Murray, Mo., Plays Liable This Week.

CRESTON, Ia., Feb. 9.—Don and Lela Tappan, children of Mr. and Mrs. James Tappan, were in the yard playing marbles today when the father, being sick in the house and the mother in town for a week, saw the boy and girl playing. The boy, who is 8 years old, struck the girl's head with a marble.

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