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Almost the entire session of the senate on December 10 was taken up with the discussion of the omnibus statehood bill. Senator Bacon of Georgia offered an amendment changing the name of the proposed state from Oklahoma to "Jefferson."

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The Week at Washington.

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laid before the senate and then amendment to the immigration bill by Mr. Hoar (Mass.) was agreed to, providing for the careful inspection of families of aliens who already have been admitted and have filed their preliminary declarations for citizenship.

Considerable interest has been aroused in congress by the condition of the Porto Ricans in Hawaii who have petitioned congress to be sent back to Porto Rico. In connection herewith it is reported that the Porto Ricans in Hawaii were brought by the Planters' association nearly two years ago as plantation laborers.

The Porto Ricans have asserted that they were ill-treated, and Governor Dole has just finished a report of an investigation he made at the request of the authorities at Washington. He found that the charges of ill-treatment were not sustained by the facts.

On December 9, after debating the London dock charges bill for almost four hours, it was killed by a vote of 138 to 29 in favor of the motion to strike out the enacting clause.

It was reported on December 14 that Salvador has applied for a reduction of the award, aggregating \$500,000, made by the arbitration board, which met in Washington last spring for injuries inflicted upon the Salvador Commercial company, an American concern through the appropriation of the franchise.

The state department has been for the last three weeks earnestly considering this matter, but from present indications it has not changed its mind as to the justice of the award, which must be paid by next February at the latest.

On December 11 the senate committee on Philippines discussed with Vice Governor Wright the monetary situation in the archipelago. It was generally agreed that there would be difficulties in changing the currency in the islands. The consensus of opinion was expressed that the unit of value in the Philippines should be a gold peso of 12.9-10 grains of gold, which is one-half the value of the United States gold dollar.

Another feature upon which Governor Wright and the members of the committee agreed was that United States currency should not be made legal tender in the islands, as the silver dollar would then be worth twice as much as the peso containing more silver than the dollar, which would encourage counterfeiting of the United States dollars.

On December 11 Representative Sulzer of New York introduced a bill in the house, the purpose of which is to give publicity to the affairs of large corporations by requiring them to make annual returns to government authorities. It provides for the creation of a bureau in the interstate commerce commission, to be known as

the bureau of corporations, with a chief at its head, who shall be appointed by the president.

An appeal has been made to President Roosevelt for his immediate attention to the affairs of American educational and religious institutions in the Turkish empire. It is asserted that these institutions are not being treated fairly by the sultan, special privileges being made to the representatives of other nations which are denied to Americans.

On December 11 Representative Dearmon introduced a bill providing that it should be unlawful to ship from any state or territory, through or into any other state or territory any manufactured articles sold for shipment or intended to be sold unless every article had stamped on the cover containing it the words, "No monopoly product," "Produced in open competition," or words of like import.

It is provided further that articles not thus marked may be confiscated.

A bill was introduced in the house on December 11 by Representative Pugsley of New York, which the title states is "To render the currency more elastic and responsive to the financial and commercial requirements of the country."

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Representative De Armond of Missouri introduced in the house a resolution on December 12 as to the nature and extent of the claim of England and Germany on Venezuela, also as to the part the United States has taken in the controversy and the relations of the Monroe doctrine to the present transaction.

On December 12 it was reported that Secretary Hay has received a cablegram from John Barrett, dated Calcutta, today, stating that he regarded it his duty to continue his connection with the St. Louis exposition, and therefore declining the Japanese mission which had been tendered him.

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