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THE WEEK AT WASHINGTON

On November 19 the house of representatives by a rising vote of 335 to 21 passed the bill to make effective the Cuban reciprocity treaty. The dissenting vote was about equally divided between republicans and democrats, the latter seeking to secure amendments to the bill in accordance with the action of the democratic caucus recently held.

On November 19 the senate in executive session confirmed the nomination of Church Howe of Nebraska, who has been consul at Sheffield, England, to be consul general at Antwerp.

A Washington dispatch under date of November 19 says: A meeting of the board of trustees of the National McKinley Memorial association was held today at the Arlington hotel. Governor Myron T. Herrick of Ohio, treasurer, submitted his report by proxy. Enough money is now on hand to erect such a memorial as the trustees regard as suitable, but a fund is raising for maintenance and care of the monument. About \$50,000 yet is needed for that purpose.

It was reported on November 19 that Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock had sent to Speaker Cannon a draft of a bill to control grazing in forest reserves. The bill provides a maximum fine of \$1,000, or imprisonment not to exceed one year, for pasturing live stock on public lands included within forest reserves without a permit from the secretary of the interior.

President Roosevelt on November 19 received a dispatch from the governor of Colorado asking that General Baldwin, commanding the army department of Colorado, be instructed to supply such troops as may be necessary to preserve order in the mining districts of the state; but after a consultation between the president and the secretary of war, Governor Peabody was advised that it did not appear that the resources of the state had been exhausted and therefore the request was denied.

The state department received a report from Minister Thompson, which report was dated at Necropolis, Brazil, recently announcing that the Acre boundary dispute between Brazil and Bolivia had been settled. The report says that Bolivia cedes and quits title to 66,000 miles. Brazil assumes the question with Peru and gives £2,000,000, builds a railroad around the Maderia rapids, admits perpetual rights to Bolivia to free transit, permits the establishment of Bolivian customs houses in Brazilian ports and cedes territory for a port in Paraguay.

On November 20 Senator Newlands of Nevada, author of the resolution annexing Hawaii, introduced a joint resolution inviting Cuba to become a state of the United States upon terms of equality with the other states of the Union. The resolution provides that Porto Rico shall become a county, or province of Cuba; that all present officers of Cuba shall retain their position until their terms expire; that the \$35,000,000 bonds of Cuba shall become the bonds of the state of Cuba, with interest reduced to 3 per cent, and 2 per cent, to be applied to a sinking fund; that the present rural guard of Cuba shall be incorporated into the army of the United States; that the money in the Cuban treasury shall become the money of the state of Cuba.

The entire time of the session of the

senate on November 20 was taken up in debating a motion to refer the Cuban reciprocity bill to the committee on foreign relations, and this course was finally adopted.

The first government irrigation work undertaken, now in progress in Nevada, promises great development for that state. The national hydrographer, Frederick H. Newell, in speaking on the subject of irrigation before the National Geographical society at Washington recently, made the claim by means of irrigation the state of Nevada alone will support 400,000 people where it now has only 40,000.

The situation in Panama continues to attract considerable attention throughout the country, although little of a startling nature has occurred recently in regard to it. It is not yet known what action the senate will take in respect to the ratification of the Panama treaty recently concluded by the secretary of state and the representative of Panama. On November 20 a dispatch carried by the Associated press from Colon seems to indicate that the Colombians are by no means satisfied with the course of events in Panama, and it is probable that the United States may have more or less trouble with the government of Colombia in regard to its course in Panama.

Among other measures introduced in the house on November 16 was one by Representative Gaines of Tennessee proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States as follows: "The president of the United States shall hold his office during one term of six years, and no person, having once been president, either by election or succession, shall be again eligible to that office."

On November 17 Messrs. Cockrell and Dryden presented to the senate an

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The efforts of the mayor of Chicago to bring peace in the street car strike are believed to have been successful, it being announced on November 20 that but two points of difference still exist between the company and its employes and it is hoped that these will be overcome and peace be restored.

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