

state supreme court and enter bail pending a decision. The capitol was erected at a cost of \$13,000,000 and the state charged that it was defrauded out of about \$5,000,000 in the furnishings. The state made no charges of fraud in the construction of the building."

A New York dispatch, carried by the Associated Press, says: "By a special order issued by President Taft, Richard Whalley, the employe of the American Sugar Refining company whose story of trick scale devices led to the discovery of the sugar-weighting frauds several years ago, has been rewarded by the government with a permanent job as customs watchman at \$840 a year."

The lower house of the Colorado legislature passed the recall amendment. The judges and district attorney are included with the provisions of the recall.

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Washington News

An Associated Press correspondent said: "The mints will stop making gold coins as soon as President Taft signs the bill which congress has passed, permitting the secretary of the treasury to issue gold certificates against gold bullion and foreign gold coin. Although no more gold will be coined for about three years, there will be plenty on hand in the treasury vaults for all who want it and in the meantime treasury officials estimate the government will have about \$300,000 a year."

President Taft nominated William H. Lewis, of Boston, a negro, to be assistant attorney general of the department of justice. This is the first time that a negro has been named for such a prominent position in the department.

An Associated Press correspondent said: "The special committee of the house appointed last summer to investigate Senator Gore's charges of attempted bribery in connection with J. W. McMurray's Indian attorney contracts in Oklahoma, made its final report to the house tonight. The majority of the committee finds that Jake L. Hamon actually did, about May 6, 1909, make an improper proposal to Senator Gore respecting the McMurray contracts and that about June 16, 1910, he approached Representative Charles F. Creager with an improper proposition on the same subject. The committee finds no evidence, however, to show that Hamon was acting by authority of or with the consent of McMurray." On this ground the committee exonerates McMurray from any connection with an attempt improperly to influence members of the house or senate. It finds, however, that he used more than 'undue influence' to secure the support of Chief Green McCurtain and his son, D. C. McCurtain, in getting these contracts by transferring a contingent interest of \$25,000 in the contracts to D. C. McCurtain."

Senator Owen of Oklahoma lead a filibuster against the tariff board and appropriations frankly stating that he wanted to force an extra session.

James C. Naphier of Tennessee was named by President Taft to be register of the treasury. Naphier is a negro.

The senate confirmed the following: Robert O. Bailey, assistant secretary of the treasury; Henry S. Boutell, minister to Portugal.

The house passed the bill to appropriate \$250,000 for the erection of a memorial at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, in 1913, in commemoration of Commodore Perry's victory on Lake Erie.

Lands in the fourth unit of the Umatilla irrigation project, Oregon, aggregating 6,053 acres of irrigable land, of which 2,763 acres are public land, will be thrown open to homestead entry on March 22, 1911.

The house passed a bill by Representative Burke of South Dakota, chairman of the committee on Indian affairs, giving the interior department general authority to dispose of left-over lands in any Indian reservation previously thrown open to entry.

Secretary of the Interior Ballinger fixed, until further notice, at \$2 per

acre the charge for operating and maintenance by the government of lands served by the Okanogan irrigation project, Washington.

The ways and means committee of the house has selected the new rules committee with Robert L. Henry, Waco, Texas, as chairman. The four republican members will be chosen by the republican caucus. The following were announced as the seven democratic members: Robert Lee Henry, Texas; Edward W. Pou, Smithfield, N. C.; Thomas W. Hardwick, Sandersville, Ga.; Augustus O. Stanley, Henderson, Ky.; Finis J. Garret, Dresden, Tenn.; Martin D. Foster, Olney, Ill., and Mathew R. Denver, Wilmington, O.

Referring to the organization of the new house, the Associated Press says:

These constitute a tentative list of chairmanships, some of them being assured:

Appropriations—Fitzgerald, New York.

Ways and means—Underwood, Alabama.

Rules—Henry, Texas.

Judiciary—Clayton, Alabama.

Interstate committee—Adamson, Georgia.

Foreign affairs—Flood, Virginia.

Military affairs—Hay, Virginia.

Public lands—Robinson, Arkansas.

Naval affairs—Padgett, Tennessee.

Insular affairs—Jones, Virginia.

Indian affairs—Stephens, Texas.

Postoffice or territories—Lloyd, Missouri.

Banking and currency—Pujo, Louisiana.

Pensions—Richardson, Alabama.

Printing—Finley, South Carolina.

Agriculture—Lever, South Carolina, or Beall, Texas.

Census—Wilson, Pennsylvania.

Immigration—Burnett, Alabama.

Industrial arts and expositions—Heflin, Alabama.

Pensions—Ansberry, Ohio, or Lindsay, New York.

Immigration—Smith, Texas.

Rivers and canals—Korbly, Indiana.

Private land claims—Carter, Oklahoma.

Mileage—Denver, Ohio, or Collier, Mississippi.

Pacific railroads—Slayden, Texas.

Patents—Sulzer, New York.

Manufactures—Johnson, South Carolina.

District of Columbia affairs—Johnson, Kentucky.

Claims—Goldfogle, New York.

Election of president, vice president, etc.—Rucker, Missouri.

Merchant marine—Clark, Florida.

Militia—Floyd, Arkansas, or Ashbrook, Ohio.

Mines and minings—Foster, Illinois.

Public buildings—Sheppard, Texas.

Civil service reform—Goldwin, North Carolina.

Revision of the laws—Watkins, Louisiana.

Rivers and harbors—Moon, Tennessee; Ransdell, Louisiana, or Sparkman, Florida.

Territories—Lloyd, Missouri, if not given the postoffice.

War claims—Sims, Tennessee.

Closing work of congress may be summarized in this way: All the big appropriation bills were put through. Reciprocity failed and is the cause of the extra session. Statehood for Arizona and New Mexico is delayed. The tariff board bill passed the senate, but was talked to death by house democrats. An angry Kentuckian threatened Speaker Can-

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