

MOCKETT IS THE WINNER

Only One Ballot Required to Settle Speakership.

WALL SELECTED FOR CLERK.

Organization of Nebraska Legislature is Settled Upon—Harrison Chosen for President Pro Tem of the Senate—Caucus is Purely Formal.

Lincoln, Jan. 6.—The contest for speaker of the house of the twenty-eighth session came to an end last night by the choice of John H. Mockett, Jr., of Lancaster by the Republican house caucus. The other house officers agreed to are: Clerk, John Wall of Valley; sergeant-at-arms, A. E. Willes of Frontier; chaplain, Rev. George Scott of Gage.

At the senatorial caucus held last night, with twenty-nine senators present, the following organization was formally effected: President pro tem, W. H. Harrison of Hall; secretary, A. R. Kelm of Richardson; sergeant-at-arms, Captain L. L. Russell of Dodge; postmaster, Rev. James P. Seward of Seward.

The fusion senators got together last night and will cast a complimentary vote for George Meredith for president pro tem. At the same time and place the representatives selected G. L. Loomis as their candidate for speaker.

Delaware Senatorial Fight.

Dover, Del., Jan. 6.—The triangular fight over the election of two United States senators from Delaware began in earnest last night at the state capitol, when the newly elected members assembled to contest for the two branches. The Democrats came to an early understanding and nominated a list of officers, but the thirty-one Republicans appeared to get farther and farther apart. The twenty-one Union Republicans, pledged to the support of John Edward Addicks for both terms until elected to the senate, started a conference, to which they invited all Republicans. The Republicans who stand out against the election of Addicks, even to deadlocking the joint session, refused to enter the caucus.

Republicans Are in Control.

Helena, Mont., Jan. 6.—The Republicans of the Montana legislature yesterday organized the house for the first time in ten years. Former Governor B. F. White of Dillon was chosen speaker. Augustus Heinz was defeated in his effort to prevent caucus agreements. The outcome is regarded as a victory for former United States Senator Carter.

Morrison Inaugurated Governor.

Boise, Ida., Jan. 6.—John W. Morrison was inaugurated as governor yesterday and other state officials were likewise sworn in. The house organized with J. Frank Hunt of Bannock as speaker. The senate organized with Senator J. W. Brigham of Latah as president pro tem.

Babcock for Speaker.

St. Paul, Jan. 6.—The Republican members of the lower house selected, in caucus, T. W. Babcock of Wadena as speaker. The contest over the speakership had been bitter, attempts having been unsuccessfully made to bring in the anti-merger suits as an issue.

Close Contest in Illinois.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 6.—There is practically no change in the speakership situation. A number of members have arrived, but neither Sherman nor Miller has made any gains so far as known.

TOBACCO TRUST WINS CASE.

Judge Dismisses Action Brought by Man Forced to Buy Useless Goods.

St. Paul, Jan. 6.—In the case of Joseph P. Whitwell, a local cigar and tobacco dealer, against the Continental Tobacco company, known as the tobacco trust, Judge Lochren, in the federal court, dismissed the case on the motion of the defendant, who demurred on the ground that the complainant did not show sufficient cause for action. The suit was brought under the Sherman anti-trust law, which gives a dealer the right to bring suit for three times the amount involved. Whitwell, who had ordered \$600 worth of goods of the Continental Tobacco, and refused them for the reason that the goods would be delivered only on condition that the buyer accept other goods which he had not ordered, sued the company for \$1,800. Judge Lochren held that the company had the right to impose terms and condition under which it should dispose of its goods and that such action was not in violation of the law.

Output of Gold and Silver.

Washington, Jan. 6.—George E. Roberts, the director of the mint, yesterday issued his preliminary estimate of the production of gold and silver in the United States during the year 1902. The total production of gold was \$80,853,870, an increase for the year of \$2,188,370. The production of silver amounted to \$31,040,025, a net increase of \$3,352,084.

Seventeenth Victim of Toy Pistols.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 6.—The total number of victims who have met death from burns from toy pistols reached seventeen when Frank Hume of Portsmouth died.

Death of a Centenarian.

Dubuque, Ia., Jan. 6.—Mrs. Mary Morgan, 106 years old, died here yesterday.

WOUNDED MAN IN CUSTODY.

Suspected of Being One of the Bandits Who Robbed Iowa Farmer.

Knoxville, Ia., Jan. 6.—A man giving his name as Jim Borden has been arrested at Eddyville, suspected of being one of the bandits who robbed P. Sullivan of \$1,950 at his home near Hamilton Friday night, after threatening to torture his wife and sister. The robber who was wounded as the trio departed is still alive, but his condition is critical.

Borden is a distant relative of the Sullivans and is said to have known of the existence of the large sum in the house. He answers the description of one of the bandits. The wounded robber broke his silence today, stating that his name is Charles Adell.

Bloody Fight in a Church.

Galveston, Ind., Jan. 6.—There was a bloody two-round fight in the Dunkard church in the Deer Creek neighborhood last night. During services Isaac Studebaker, a young man of the neighborhood, was accused of disturbing the meeting, but refused to retire. He was tackled by Frank Cripe, son of the pastor, and after several knock-downs was thrown out in the snow. Studebaker returned and the fighting was resumed. Studebaker and Cripe pummeled each other in pugilistic fashion in front of the altar. The preacher's son finally landed a knock-out and Studebaker was hauled to his home senseless.

Lewis C. Ren on the Stand.

David City, Neb., Jan. 6.—In the trial of Mrs. Lillie for the murder of her husband, Lewis C. Ren testified to the effect that the fatal shot must have been fired by some one who was close to the sleeping man. Mrs. Lillie had told witness that Mr. Lillie carried \$7,250 insurance in her favor. Mrs. Lillie also had said that she was uneasy the evening before the murder because she had much money in the house, although she usually had \$100 to \$150 in the house, and gave as another reason the fact that two of the bloodhounds owned by her husband had been poisoned.

Colorado Has a Murder Mystery.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Jan. 6.—Mrs. J. E. Bailey, wife of a coachman of George H. Kilborne, was declared to be out of danger from strychnine poisoning taken into her system last night by drinking from a bottle from which her husband had drunk. He died at midnight in agony. Mrs. Bailey, since her recovery, tells a story that indicates that some one deliberately poisoned her husband with a bottle of whisky given him as a New Year's present.

Woman Gives Herself Up.

Iowa City, Ia., Jan. 6.—Mrs. Ella Gallagher alighted from a train here shortly before noon and surrendered to the sheriff, who held a warrant for her arrest on a charge of perjury. The alleged offense grew out of her testimony at her trial for the murder of her husband. She has been a fugitive for two months, most of the time being with relatives at Kankakee, Ill. She was released as per previous stipulation on an \$800 bond.

Three Miners Fall to Death.

Hurley, Wis., Jan. 6.—Three miners lost their lives yesterday morning in the Windsor mine. They were descending into the mine, riding on the skip, and lost their balance, falling 600 feet. Their bodies were mangled almost beyond recognition. One of the men, Dominick Marlow, leaves a wife and two small children. The other two, George Davis and Frank Beruchette, were single.

Seattle Grand Jury at Work.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 6.—A grand jury, the first in King county for seven years, was impaneled yesterday by Judge Bell of the superior court to investigate the alleged corruption of the police department and other institutions. The jury began investigations yesterday afternoon by visiting the county and city jails, but no statement would be given out for publication.

Colored Man is Set Free.

Grand Island, Neb., Jan. 6.—G. A. Baxter, the aged colored man who was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for the murder of his baby, but who claimed that he was innocent, was yesterday set free.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

Resolutions endorsing the Hay-Bond treaty and advocating general tariff revision were passed by the members of the Boston chamber of commerce Monday.

A special dispatch from Tangier says the sultan is disposed to abdicate in favor of his brother, Mulai Mohammed, who is acclaimed whenever he appears in the streets of Fez.

Just as he resumed his seat at the conclusion of a speech accepting the presidency of the Woonsocket (R. I.) board of aldermen Algernon T. Simmons expired in the chair Monday.

In a fight between Mat Ingram and James Galightly, at Sikeston, Mo., Monday, Ingram was shot to death and Galightly was fatally injured. The trouble arose over some arrests made by Ingram, who was a deputy marshal.

Indictment and criminal prosecution for coal dealers and coal carrying railroads is threatened by the Illinois Manufacturers' association. The Chicago shortage is blamed to a plot to extort high prices from consumers.

Over one-half of the 256 immigrants arriving at New York on the steamer Belgavia gave fictitious addresses to which they intended going. Steamship agents are scouring Europe for paupers and sick whose relatives contribute \$25 passage money and send them to America.

DISCUSS COAL SITUATION

Senators Urge Suspension of Anthracite Duty.

MANY MEMBERS MAKE MOTIONS.

Two Bills and Two Resolutions on the Subject Are Introduced—House Adjourns After a Lively Tilt Over the Army Bill.

Washington, Jan. 6.—When the senate reconvened yesterday, after the holiday recess, few senators were absent. Almost immediately a discussion began regarding the coal situation. Mr. Lodge precluded his introduction of a bill suspending for ninety days the duty on coal, with the statement that in New England there was much distress owing to the scarcity of coal and that unless relief was afforded at once a number of factories would have to shut down. He was aware, he said, that such a bill should originate in the house of representatives, but it was his desire to call the attention of the senate committee to the state of affairs. Mr. Culberson followed with a resolution providing for the removal of the duty on anthracite coal and asked its immediate consideration. Mr. Platt (Conn.) objected, saying that it was his understanding that there was no duty on anthracite coal. Mr. Vest took exception to this statement and said that the board of general appraisers and President Roosevelt had decided that such a duty is imposed. Mr. Vest also introduced a resolution on the subject of coal, introduced by Mr. Jones (Ark.), recited the charge of W. R. Hearst that there was an illegal combination among certain railroads to control the shipment of anthracite coal and called on the attorney general for the evidence which it was alleged had been secured by him. It caused a lively debate, in which several Republican senators vigorously resented what they thought was a reflection on the attorney general. The discussion continued until 2 o'clock, when the resolution went over, being displaced by the omnibus statehood bill. Mr. Nelson (Minn.) addressed the senate in opposition to the bill and favored single statehood for Oklahoma and Indian territory.

The house resumed work yesterday after a recess of two weeks, but within two hours the machinery broke down for lack of a quorum. The bill to create a general staff in the army was the issue.

MINISTER TO SWITZERLAND.

Dr. Hill, First Assistant Secretary of State, to be Promoted.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Dr. David Jayne Hill, first assistant secretary of state, will relinquish that post this month to become United States minister to Switzerland. He will be succeeded as first assistant by Francis B. Loomis, at present United States minister to Portugal. Mr. Loomis will be succeeded at Portugal by Charles Page Bryan, who has been confirmed as minister to Switzerland, but who has never assumed that post. The president sent the above nominations to the senate.

Weather and Crop Reports.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Secretary Wilson, in compliance with the direction of congress, that he report at this session as to the advisability of consolidation with the weather bureau all work of the department of agriculture relating to the gathering and compilation of crop reports and statistics, today recommended that the division of statistics be not transferred to the weather bureau and that the division of statistics be given a bureau organization, with additional highly trained statistical experts to enable its work to embrace other staple crops, and that the weather bureau continue its weekly meteorological crop reports.

Franchise Tax Law Illegal.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 6.—It is said here that the supreme court will within twenty-four hours hand down a decision declaring the franchise tax law, passed by the legislature in 1899, unconstitutional so far as it relates to the state constitution. The decision is expected at noon and it is one of the most important to the state and the corporations ever given in this state. So far \$12,000,000 in taxes is involved, the state by the decision practically losing that amount of money and the corporations gaining it, while at least \$4,000,000 in future revenues also is involved.

Object to Mail Carrier's Color.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Postmaster General Payne received information today that a posse of white citizens at Beauf River, La., last night ordered Charles Jackson, a negro mail carrier, not to return with the mail on his route and threatened him with death in case he did not heed their injunction. The reason given by the posse was the color of the carrier. Notice was sent at once to the postoffice department at New Orleans and an inspector has been dispatched to Girard with orders to make an investigation.

Decision in Russian Sugar Case.

Washington, Jan. 6.—In an opinion handed down by Justice Brown the United States supreme court decides in the Lowmes case that the money paid by the Russian government on sugar exported is a bounty and that the collector of customs at New York was justified in levying a countervailing duty on Russian sugar under the terms of the Dingley law.

RESCUERS LOSE THEIR LIVES.

Two Men Drowned While Attempting to Save Others From Like Fate.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 6.—The first casualties as a result of the rising of the waters are reported from O'Brien, on the Northern Pacific, between Seattle and Tacoma. There the water is six or eight feet high. Martin Cummins and F. Shaughnessy were rescuing people from second-story windows when their boat capsized and both were drowned.

The water is already receding in the valley, and the weather bureau report indicates that it is getting colder in the mountains, but the chinook wind is still blowing here. The inundation of the valleys surrounding Seattle has shut off the milk supply from the surrounding country. The chief damage to farmers is the loss of chickens and hogs, which were drowned by the hundreds during the high water. The transcontinental traffic blockade, which has prevailed since last Friday, was raised yesterday, when the Great Northern got a train through over the Oregon Railroad and Navigation tracks from Spokane. The Portland branch is now open.

Delayed Trains Reach Tacoma.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 6.—Delayed Northern Pacific and Great Northern trains from the east have arrived from Portland with hundreds of passengers for Seattle and other northern points. Owing to the abandonment of the Northern Pacific and interurban trains between Tacoma and Seattle these passengers are flocking to the boats. Many tons of mail from the east are stacked up on the docks awaiting transportation by water.

EVIDENCE IS ACCUMULATING.

Coal Companies Hand in Wage Statements to Arbitration Board.

Philadelphia, Jan. 6.—The coal strike commission will resume its hearings here today. President John Mitchell of the miners' union, accompanied by Clarence S. Darrow of Chicago, his leading counsel, and other assistants, have arrived. When the hearing is resumed the attorneys for the nonunion men will continue the presentation of evidence through these men, of violence, boycott and intimidation alleged to have been carried on by members of the miners' union who were on strike. A large number of witnesses has already been heard on this feature of the strike. Much of the documentary evidence, such as statements of wages paid all employees and other data of like nature, which the commission has asked the companies to prepare, is already in the hands of the commission.

Wabash Stops Work at Pittsburg.

St. Louis, Jan. 6.—Regarding the decision of the supreme court that work on the proposed Wabash extension into Pittsburg be stopped, President Ramsey of the Wabash said: "Work will be stopped immediately and stay stopped until some legal means can be found to permit the Wabash entering Pittsburg. Nothing more will be done until a legal investigation of the situation defines a way." The case of Arthur Wadsworth, the National Guardsman who shot and killed William Durham, a striker, during the anthracite coal strike, came before the Pennsylvania supreme court Monday for argument. The court reserved decision.

Revenues of the Philippines.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The bureau of insular affairs of the war department has prepared for publication a comparative statement showing that for the ten months ended Oct. 31, 1902, the customs revenues of the Philippines were \$7,475,586, against \$6,921,559 in 1901 and \$3,759,994 in 1899. The figures represent the total customs house receipts expressed in United States currency values.

Death of Ex-Premier Sagasta.

Madrid, Jan. 6.—Former Premier Sagasta died at 6:30 last evening. Senor Sagasta's death was due to bronchitis and gastric trouble. His family was at the deathbed and former liberal members of the cabinet were near their old leader. The news of the former premier's death created a painful impression throughout Madrid. King Alfonso expressed profound regret.

Tin Plate Mill Shuts Down.

Cumberland, Md., Jan. 6.—The extensive tin plate mill, operated here by 600 men and women, was closed indefinitely yesterday. The warehouses of the company are said to be overstocked with tin and the high price of coal in Philadelphia, where the tin is finished, renders it impossible to finish the product at a profit.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

Secretary Shaw has signed an order closing the streams in southeastern Alaska against salmon fishing until July 1.

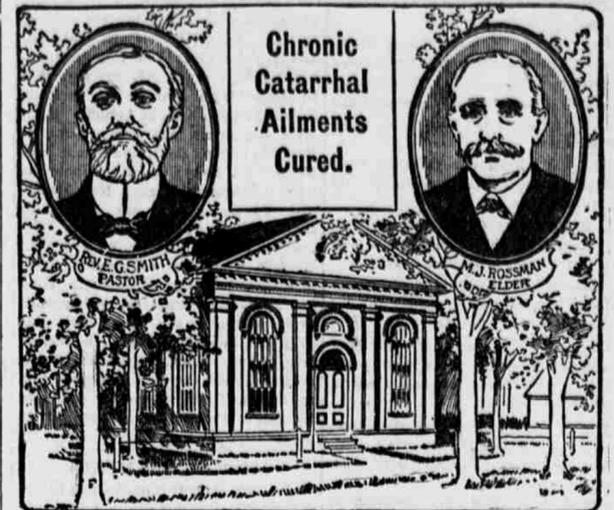
Freight rates on nearly all commodities transported by western railroads are to be raised at least 5 per cent during the next thirty days.

A. Wettermark & Son of Nacogdoches, Tex., and A. Wettermark & Co. of Henderson, bankers and merchants, Monday went into liquidation. Liabilities and assets are each thought to be about \$400,000.

Captain Shawe-Taylor, an Irish landlord who has participated in the Dublin land conference, sailed for the United States to consult President Roosevelt on the Irish land problem. He is in favor of sale to tenants.

John Thurlow, eleven years old, risked his life and saved Patrick McInerney, aged eight, from the lake at Chicago. William McInerney, the latter's brother, was carried under the ice and drowned while the three were skating.

PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR PRAISES PE-RU-NA.



First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro, Ga., and its Pastor and Elder.

THE day was when men of prominence hesitated to give their testimonials to proprietary medicines for publication. This remains true today of most proprietary medicines. But Peruna has become so justly famous, its merits are known to so many people of high and low stations, that no one hesitates to see his name in print recommending Peruna.

The highest men in our nation have given Peruna a strong endorsement. Men representing all classes and stations are equally represented.

A dignified representative of the Presbyterian church in the person of Rev. E. G. Smith does not hesitate to state publicly that he has used Peruna in his family and found it cured when other remedies failed. In this statement the Rev. Smith is supported by an elder in his church.

Rev. E. G. Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Greensboro, Ga., writes: "Having used Peruna in my family for some time it gives me pleasure to testify to its true worth. "My little boy seven years of age had been suffering for some time with catarrh of the lower bowels. Other remedies had failed, but after taking two bottles of Peruna the trouble almost entirely disappeared. For this special

KEYSTONE COMPANY FAILS.

Branch of New York Concern at Council Bluffs is Also Affected.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Announcement of the appointment of a receiver for the Keystone Manufacturing company of Rock Falls, N. Y., was made by Attorney C. B. Haffenburg, who represented a number of petitioning creditors in the federal court. Bankruptcy proceedings were begun in the United States district court several days ago, but were kept secret until Henry L. Wilson had taken possession as referee.

The Keystone company's principal plant, near Sterling, Ill., consists of eleven buildings, in which about 400 men are employed. Another large plant is at Council Bluffs, Ia., and this has also been placed in the hands of Mr. Wilson and A. M. Patterson as receivers. The liabilities are said to be close to \$350,000, while the assets at Rock Falls consist of a plant mortgaged for \$300,000 and other property worth about \$75,000.

Trainmen Wait for Reply.

St. Louis, Jan. 6.—The meeting of 200 delegates representing the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Order of Railway Conductors of western roads to ask for a 20 per cent increase in wages, was of a secret nature and just what has been accomplished is conjectural. Railroad officials say that no overtures were made to them. President Ramsey of the Wabash, on leaving for New York, said that up to the time of his departure he had heard nothing from the trainmen. The trainmen will continue their session today.

Trainmen Demand More Pay.

Omaha, Jan. 6.—The joint boards of adjustment of the conductors and trainmen of the Union Pacific railroad gathered in this city yesterday to meet President Burt and other officials of that system. The gathering is in conjunction with similar board meetings in other western cities and the basis of the demands of the men will be for an increase of 20 per cent in wages. C. S. McComber of North Platte is acting as chairman for the conductors' board and J. E. Murphy of Grand Island is at the head of the trainmen's committee.

Cattle Shippers Granted Extension.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 6.—The Kansas live stock commission yesterday issued an order extending until Jan. 20 the time for refusing admittance to cattle from below the south boundary of the state and the federal quarantine line. The board announced the order was made to enable shippers to get in a supply of cattle. No farther extension of the limit will be made.

War Secretary is Married.

London, Jan. 6.—Mr. Brodrick, the war secretary, and Madeleine Stanley, daughter of Lady Jeune, were married at St. George's church, Hanover square, yesterday afternoon. The scene was brilliant and the church was filled with fashionable people. Premier Balfour was the best man.

malady I consider it well nigh a specific. "As a tonic for weak and worn out people it has few or no equals."—Rev. E. G. Smith.

Mr. M. J. Rossman, a prominent merchant of Greensboro, Ga., and an elder in the Presbyterian church of that place, has used Peruna, and in a recent letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio, writes as follows:

"For a long time I was troubled with catarrh of the kidneys and tried many remedies, all of which gave me no relief. Peruna was recommended to me by several friends, and after using a few bottles I am pleased to say that the long looked for relief was found and I am now enjoying better health than I have for years, and can heartily recommend Peruna to all similarly afflicted. It is certainly a grand medicine."—M. J. Rossman.

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NEGRO POSTMISTRESS LEAVES.

Gives Up Place in Mississippi on Account of Race Question.

Indianola, Miss., Jan. 6.—Mrs. Minnie Cox, the colored postmistress of this place, on account of whose resignation the president ordered the postoffice here closed, left Indianola last night for Birmingham, Ala., accompanied by her mulatto assistant. It is now thought there is little danger of further trouble, and although the sentiment of the people is against the action of the government in closing the office and causing a partial paralysis of business, no violence is anticipated. Before she left Mrs. Cox made a statement, in which she denied that she had been subjected to any indignity, and stated that no violence had been offered her. She said, however, that she would not again take the office of postmaster under any circumstances. Her husband, who is employed in the United States railway mail service, also made a statement, in which he said his wife had not been threatened, but that the condition of the race question in the south caused her to give up the place.

Lieutenant Perkins Missing.

Leavenworth, Jan. 6.—Lieutenant Edward O. Perkins, Fourth cavalry, U. S. A., left his quarters at Fort Leavenworth on the night of Dec. 30, on four days' leave of absence, and has not since been heard from. An effort was made by creditors to attach his personal property. Perkins was Admiral Dewey's orderly at the battle of Manila, and had previously been a cavalry private, and his fine record and the admiral's commendation won him a commission in the army.

Taft to Succeed Judge Shiras.

Washington, Jan. 6.—If existing plans carry, some time next month the president will send to the senate the nomination of Governor Taft to be an associate justice of the United States supreme court, to succeed Justice Shiras, who is expected to retire during that month. Governor Taft will be succeeded as civil governor of the Philippines by General Luke Wright, at present vice governor, and the latter place will be filled by the appointment of W. W. Rockhill.

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