

STIRRED UP A LIVELY MUSS

Investigation into the Affairs of the Weather Bureau Causing Trouble.

ACCUSATIONS AGAINST GENERAL COLBY

Department of Agriculture Alleged to Have Instituted the Proceedings for the Purpose of Making Places for Hungry Democrats.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25. (Special to the Bee.)

The investigations ordered by Secretary Morton into the affairs of the weather bureau and the removal of a number of that bureau's employes by him have stirred up a lively muss. Secretary Morton is just now... with Chief Harrington, who has charged the head of the Department of Agriculture with instituting the investigations simply to create subterfuges for the removal of republican officials.

Prof. Harrington has written a number of letters for publication attacking General Colby of Beattie, the assistant attorney general, who is conducting the investigations in the weather bureau. Colby has been charged with being the instrument of Morton in bringing about removals of good officers for political ends.

There is considerable objection to the investigation being further conducted by General Colby because he himself (Colby) was charged by a resolution of congress with investigating the proceedings of the department of the government, and an investigation has been proposed by senators into the charges against him.

Colby has handled himself very cleverly in the trying situation. Nebraska men are the talk of Washington just now.

Mr. T. J. Fitzmorris of the Bee was in Washington a short time this evening on his way to New York, where he will view the great naval parade. While here he visited Newspaper row and was given a cordial reception.

James Dwyer of Clinton, Ia., has applied for the position of inspector of steam boilers at Dubuque. J. Mahoney and wife of Omaha left Washington for Chicago tonight. Mr. Mahoney said he did nothing in politics while here. He did not visit the departments except on a social visit.

F. W. Lang, secretary of the Young Men's Christian association of Sioux City, Ia., has accepted the place of Young Men's Christian association secretary of the states of Maryland, West Virginia, Delaware and the District of Columbia, and will be located at Baltimore, probably.

The commission of John L. Falce, receiver of public monies at Rapid City, S. D., was placed in the mails here today.

Postmasters have been reappointed as follows: Nebraska—Thomas A. Carmichael, Lewistown. Iowa—Dennis Cain, Arthur; Frank Hill, Margolia; James Pardon, Rockwell.

After May 14, the special mail service from Flint to Beronia, Mahaska county, Ia., will be discontinued.

Miscellaneous. The comptroller of the currency has issued a certificate extending for a period of twenty years the charter of the Wyoming National bank of Laramie, Wyo. A. C. Jones is cashier.

The northwest was given the go-by at the postoffice department today. No postmasters were named by the postmaster general for Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota or any other northwestern states.

The assistant secretary of the interior has affirmed the decision of the commissioner of the land office in the case of Charles L. Salisbury and George D. Prest, involving the timber culture entry of the latter and an appeal by the former for a tract of land in the North Platte district of Nebraska.

They Have Carried Their Dispute Into The Daily Newspapers. Washington, D. C., April 25.—This afternoon Secretary Morton sent a letter to Prof. Harrington in answer to the letter printed yesterday. Secretary Morton said he would not have given out anything relating to the subject had not Prof. Harrington given out extracts from his first letter. The letter sent by the secretary today was somewhat lengthy and a communication of the 24th, which I had the pleasure of reading this morning in the newspaper, and assuring you that the investigation of General Colby's career under President Harrison's administration matters in which I am not interested, but I presume he will have no objections to your making explanations at such times as may be most convenient for you.

I observe your objections to the notices which you have sent me relative to my investigation, and regret very sincerely that they are not more charitable in character. I please you. Permit me, therefore, to inform you that this request will continue from day to day and from hour to hour, and that you are to be in communication with your attorney, to see to it that no unjust advantages are taken by any one connected with this investigation. I am sure you will secure at the end of the investigation, I feel assured that you will acquire me of any designs which you may have in regard to the position for a political follower. I will not let any "political" man or woman, to my disadvantage, take my place, and I informed you that such was the case, I should have been guilty of a gross injustice.

Conscious of the reticence of the motives which animate me in this matter, your closing paragraph, reading as it does "I am not interested," finally, that if, upon your accession to power, you will not let any "political" man or woman, to my disadvantage, take my place, and I informed you that such was the case, I should have been guilty of a gross injustice.

Secretary Morton has demanded the resignation of Israel W. Stone, as disbursing officer of the weather bureau, to effect May 1. Mr. Stone has declined to resign.

THREE MORE MINISTERS. President Cleveland Names Representatives to Colombia, Brazil and Portugal.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—The following appointments were announced today at the white house: L. P. McKinley of New Hampshire, minister to Colombia.

Thomas L. Thompson of California, minister to Brazil.

George W. Caruth of Arkansas, minister to Portugal.

William E. Shatt of Illinois, United States attorney for the southern district of Illinois.

THEIR METHODS QUESTIONED

Members of the Legislative Claims Committee Accused of Carelessness.

ITEMS ALLOWED THAT HAD BEEN PAID

Three Members of the Visiting Boards of the Soldiers and Sailors Home Who Made Mistakes in Rendering Their Claims.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 25.—(Special to the Bee.)—There is a bare possibility that some of the business methods of the committee on claims in the house of representatives during the recent session of the legislature were not such as will commend them to the careful man who always does things just right.

A number of errors have recently come to the surface, none of them of a serious nature, as far as the amount of money is concerned, but of a character to convince the most skeptical that many claims were allowed that were, to say the least, improper.

Auditor Moore discovered several instances this morning in looking over the claims allowed by the house committee to members of the visiting boards of the Soldiers and Sailors home at Grand Island. There were three of these claims allowed by the committee, one for Mary E. Ward, one for A. W. Hoffman and the other for J. W. Townsend.

Mary Ward certified that there was due her from the state the sum of \$75.30 and the commanding certified that the claim was correct and unpaid. And yet the records in the auditor's office show that she had received a warrant on February 15, for the amount included in the items, the total being \$182. J. W. Townsend's claim was for \$96.71, but the records show that he received on February 15 two vouchers covering six dollars and amounting to the sum of \$70.71, but the records show that he had already received \$22.94 of the amount.

The auditor states that he is at a loss to understand how the parties could make so noticeable a mistake in certifying to their claims and asking that they be paid. One of the members of the committee, Mr. James E. Bolde, said: "It acted by authority of Gov. James E. Bolde."

State Will File Its Claim. Although three months have elapsed since the failure of the Capital National bank in this city the claim of the state against that bank for the deposit it held at the time of the failure has never been filed with the receiver. The state is the receiver of the \$369,901.88, but the claim has never been filed for the reason that suit has been commenced against the ex-treasurer, J. E. Hill and his bondsmen, the latter being deemed advisable, however, to file the claim with Receiver McFarland, and accordingly a stipulation has been drawn up by Judge Wakely to be signed by the bondsmen and their attorneys and the attorneys for the state, providing that the claim may be filed with Receiver McFarland, and the legal time in which claims against the failed bank may be filed, the claim expires sometime in May, although the receiver may accept recognized claims after the expiration of the time if he sees fit.

Studying Up on the Law. The secretary of the senate, who, with a corps of assistants, has been engaged since the close of the session in compiling the journal of the senate, was last night called upon by a representative of the G. & M. railroad for a certified copy of all parts of the senate journal containing any reference to house bill No. 33.

The secretary's assistants worked nearly all night in preparing the copies and it is understood that similar copies of the house journal have already been procured from Chief Clerk Eric Johnson. The copies are to be used in the legal department of the company.

Inspector Heimrod's Last Report. Louis Heimrod, until recently the chief of the state, this morning filed with Auditor Moore a statement of the fees collected in his office during the term of his incumbency. It is as follows:

TOTAL ADDITION OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: Dear Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the statement of the receipts and disbursements of the office of state inspector of mines during the term of office, viz: From April 20, 1891, to March 31, 1893.

Total fees received..... \$18,123.50 My salary for above term, \$3,888.88 Total..... \$22,012.38 Necessary expenses of self and deputies..... 6,338.44 Total..... \$15,673.94

Deficiency..... 238.59 It will be noticed that Mr. Heimrod has charged and collected the salaries of himself and deputies, together with expenses from the time he received his original appointment from Governor Boyd in the spring of 1891. Nine months of this period he did not perform the duties of the office. After his appointment to the office as chief of the revenue he claimed that he had been rightfully out of office and demanded of E. C. Carnes, who held the office under Boyd, that he turn over to him the salary for the period during the interim that Boyd's case was pending in the supreme court of the United States. This Carnes refused to do, but turned the amount in his hands into the state treasury.

Heimrod commenced suit against Carnes in the district court for Douglas county and recently won his case. Accused of Highway Robbery. Two men, giving their names as Billy Kinneer and C. W. Tracey, were arrested last night on the charge of highway robbery preferred by O. Osterloh of Havelock. Osterloh claimed to the police that he had engaged Tracey, who is a hack driver, to convey him to Havelock. He got in the hack and started for his destination as he supposed, but before he started he had stopped at a lonely spot in the road and he was invited by Tracey and Kinneer to step down and give up his money or suffer the consequences, as he supposed, in which the fellows got away with two \$5 bills belonging to Osterloh. They then slugged him and left him unconscious on the road. This is the story told by Osterloh. When the two men were arrested Kinneer told the officers that Tracey was the fellow who did the robbery and slugging, and Kinneer said that he simply stood by as a spectator. His statement was accepted and he was held as a witness in the sum of \$25.

Tracey claims that the whole thing is a put up job against him and asserts that he can prove that at the time the robbery was alleged to have been committed he was at home attending to a sick wife.

Ventilated a Family Quarrel. Alamo Mills, a Burlington switchman, was fined \$1 and costs in police court this morning for an assault on his alleged wife, with whom he has been living for some time. He claimed in his story to the court that he had given his wife \$10 to take care of him, but that she had with her a pair of earrings, a pair of diamond rings and a pair of slippers with big soles upon them. He did not feel like permitting so much extravagance and, he claimed, he had the intention of getting her. He insisted that she return the jewelry and recover the money, but she refused, whereupon he seized her by the outer apparel and otherwise used her roughly. In default of payment of his fine

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The printing shall be in the same style and quality as the House journals of 1891. Session laws to be printed on two-pound book paper, small pic type, pages to be same size and form as the laws of 1892 with margins without unnecessary blanks, and binding all blanks, blank books and circulars, including revenue blanks required by the acts of the executive department of the state for a period of two years from date of contract.

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