

SPEAKER REED GIVES NO SIGN

His Course Toward the Omaha Exposition Bill Still a Thing Unknown.

WORK IN BEHALF OF THE MEASURE GOES ON

Nebraska Members Watching for a Chance to Get the Matter Before the House for a Vote.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Speaker Reed continues to hold out against all importunings on the part of the Nebraska delegation for time for the Omaha exposition bill. While he has not gone so far as to say he will not allow the bill to come to a vote, his manner gives little hope to those interested in the measure. What a delegation of citizens could do with the speaker is wholly in the future.

A new presentation of the case might win over the speaker. Any influence favorable to the bill would undoubtedly be acceptable. One thing is certain, everything is at sea, and the only hope for the bill is in a protracted session of congress, when the delegation may get it up or get consent of the speaker to advance it on the calendar.

A decidedly foxy movement of sound money republicans has just come to light in relation to states where the white metal has the call. It was the intention of the republicans to select alternates in Colorado, Utah and Montana favorable to sound money in the event the leaders in these states should bolt at St. Louis then the alternates were to take their places and proceed to carry out the wishes of the people they had elected. It was a very shrewd game, but the silver republicans discovered the ruse today and advice have been sent out to look well to alternates, that only silver men go on the delegation.

Senator Allen today secured the passage of the bill granting a right-of-way to the Sioux City & Omaha railroad through the Indian reservation in Thurston county. This is the scheme in which Stoddard is interested and is designed to be part of the great north and south road.

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Private Pension Bills. Favorable reports were made today on Curran's bill to increase the pension of John H. Goarko of Iowa City, and on Gamble's bill for the relief of William Cannon of York, Mo., who quartered a number of United States soldiers during the winter of 1873. These pension bills, in which the Nebraska delegation was interested, passed the house today. Mrs. Mary Hazlett, an increase from \$12 to \$12 per month, introduced by Representative Mercer; to increase the pension of Thomas M. Scott of McCook from \$20, introduced by Representative Andrews.

Orders for the Army. Captain Thomas M. Woodruff, Fifth Infantry, is granted three months' leave. First Lieutenant Frank L. Dodds, Ninth Infantry, is detailed as acting judge advocate in the following: First Lieutenant Francis J. Kernan, Twenty-first Infantry.

First Lieutenant Charles P. Elliott, Fourth Infantry, is granted extension of leave for one month. John Horn has been appointed postmaster at Holstein, Adams county, Neb. W. T. Newby, Adams county, Neb., has been appointed postmaster at Roslyn, Day county, S. D.

Senator Allen introduced bills to pension Stephen D. Avery of Petersburg, Boone county, Mo., and John W. O'Connell of Idaho. The Nebraska delegation in the lower house of congress, with the exception of Melville John, is absent, and Ken, voting no, voted in favor of carrying clerks throughout the year, without the names of the clerks going on the roll.

ROUTINE WORK IN THE HOUSE

Resolution Passed Regarding Englemann's Attitude Toward Our Cattle. WASHINGTON, May 8.—The house today agreed that when it adjourned today it would be to meet on Monday.

Bills were passed to quiet titles to lands in persons who purchased the same in good faith without notice and for a valuable consideration, and to enable the government to issue patents on such lands, and to establish a life-saving station at Point Bonita, Golden Gate, Cal.

On motion of Mr. Stables a resolution was passed requesting the president to inform the house what, if anything, had been done to carry out the provisions in last year's sundry civil bill directing him to negotiate with the government of the Great Britain the abolition or modification of the existing regulations of that government, which requires the slaughter of cattle imported from the United States at the point of entry.

A bill was passed to appropriate \$5,000 for the deportation of the Canadian refugee Cree Indians from the state of Montana. There are about 500 of these Indians. They have been in Montana since the close of the Red rebellion.

Condition of the Treasury. WASHINGTON, May 8.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$28,848,380; gold reserve, \$119,297,238; net silver, \$24,988,843.

FOR CLERK HIRE DURING RECESS.

Members of the House Allow Themselves \$100 a Month.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The members of the house today voted themselves \$100 per month for clerk hire during the recess of congress. Under a resolution passed by the Fifty-second congress the members of subsequent congresses received \$100 per month for clerk hire during the recesses. Today the proposition to extend this allowance to members during the recess of congress came in the form of the Hartman resolution, adversely reported from the committee on accounts. It occasioned some very sharp debate, but the support of the bill, the chairman of the appropriations committee, was opposed by Mr. Dingley, the floor leader of the majority. Mr. Aldrich, republican of Illinois, said it would involve an additional expenditure of \$215,000 per annum. The resolution was advocated by Mr. Cannon, Mr. Morse, republican of Massachusetts, Mr. Hepburn, republican of Iowa, Mr. Boutelle, republican of Maine, and Mr. Henderson, republican of Iowa, and opposed by Mr. Dockery, democrat of Missouri; Pinyan, republican of New Jersey; Mr. Tracey, republican of Missouri; Mr. Wheeler, democrat of Alabama; Mr. Skinner, republican of North Carolina; and Mr. Talbot, democrat of South Carolina. The resolution was amended so as to exempt members who are chairman of committees having annual clerks, and as amended, was passed, 130 to 108.

An analysis of the vote showed that 111 republicans, fifteen democrats and one silverite voted for it; and fifty-three republicans, fifty-eight democrats and one populist voted against it.

Private Pension Bills Favorably Acted Upon at Last Friday Night's session, were taken up and passed. At 4:30 p. m. the house took a recess until 8 o'clock, the evening session to be devoted to the consideration of private pension bills.

Twenty-two private pension bills were favorably acted upon at the night session of the house. Among them were bills to pension the widow of the late Major General Thomas Ewing, at the rate of \$75 per month, the widow of the late Major Theodor Braun at the rate of \$50 per month, and the widow of the late Major General Joseph Carr at the rate of \$75 per month. An attempt was made to cut down the rate of pension of General Ewing, but it was defeated. Mr. Pickler, chairman of the committee on pensions, stole a march on the opponents of pension legislation, just before 10:30, the hour fixed for adjournment, by having the house take up the bill favorably acted on in committee of the whole last Wednesday, formally reported to the house. Those bills were left suspended last Wednesday. Mr. Ebelman, a democrat of Pennsylvania, protested against the action tonight, and the question will probably come up on Monday.

SECTARIAN SCHOOLS GET MONEY.

House Fight Against the Old Plan Goes For Naught.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The senate committee on appropriations today concluded its consideration of the bill making appropriations for the District of Columbia. The most important change in the bill was that restoring the old system of making appropriations for the charities of the district and striking out the lump appropriation as made by the house. The committee on the other hand is in accord with that first taken by the house committee on appropriations, which caused the bill after it was about completed. When it was again reported it was with a provision placing all the appropriations for charity of the district in the hands of the trustees, in which the bill passed. The action of the house was based upon the theory that the charitable institutions that were made last year.

The committee made a proviso that "no part of the money appropriated in this act shall be used for the purpose of maintaining or aiding by payment for services or expenses or otherwise, any church or religious denomination." The committee also recommended the appointment of a joint commission composed of three representatives to investigate the district charity institutions, if any, of money appropriated for religious denominations.

The bill as reported to the committee carries an aggregate appropriation of \$5,951,898, a net increase over the total appropriation as the bill passed the house of \$1,542,938.

COULD CONTROL PACIFIC TRADE.

Coal Miners of the West Would Be Benefited by the New Plan.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Governor MacCorkle of West Virginia appeared before the house committee on commerce today to advocate the construction of the Nicaragua canal. He spoke in behalf of the coal interests of his own and adjacent states, declaring that the section he represented could use the canal west of the canal through the Pacific coast, of North and South America with the shipping facilities which would be afforded by the canal. At present all coal used on the Pacific coast, he stated, is mined in Australia, Japan and Vancouver. He predicted that with the advancement of the Japanese they would monopolize the coal business of the coast west of the canal should be built, when the freight rates would enable West Virginia to undersell the Japanese.

Western Patents Granted.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—(Special.)—Patents have been issued as follows:

Nebraska—Laban J. Everest, Omaha, electric railway signal system; an invention of Iowa—Archie B. Andrews, Center Point, automatic vehicle and motor power; Ignaz Bergmann, Fort Madison, pen guide and finger rest; Alfred L. Clarke, Dubuque, device for operating roller sawing; C. C. Dillan, Essex, field or garden implement; David C. Landon, Dubuque, locking device for saws; Christian Loetzer, Dubuque, endless chain cutter and mortising machine; William Loudon, Fairfield, hay carrier apparatus; Walter V. Stephenson, Fort Dodge, adjustable step ladder; James W. Torman, New Sharon, compound for purifying butter.

Delegated to a Subcommittee.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Senator Morrill, chairman of the committee on finance, has announced his intention to appoint a subcommittee to conduct the bond investigation authorized by the Peffer resolution. The subcommittee probably will be designated at a special meeting of the full committee to be held tomorrow, and it is expected that it will proceed as soon as practicable with the inquiry. The subcommittee probably will consist of five members.

OPPOSE DEEP SEA HARBOR

Santa Monica Project Denounced as a Southern Pacific Job.

SENATOR WHITE MAKES A STRONG SPEECH

River and Harbor Bill Completed in the Senate Except for This One Item—Resolution for Popular Election.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The rivers and harbors bill was completed in the senate today, with the exception of the item for a deep sea harbor on the Pacific coast. This aroused keen opposition, the two California senators opposing the proposed contract appropriation of \$3,095,000 for a harbor at Santa Monica bay, on the ground that it is a project fostered by the Southern Pacific as against public sentiment and the recommendations of two boards of army engineers. Mr. White of California commented on the extraordinary conditions by which the commercial committee of the senate was forcing an appropriation on a state against the wishes of its senators, representatives and people.

With the bond question out of the way, the senate gave its attention to the accumulation of minor measures being going on with the river and harbor bill.

Mr. Mitchell gave notice that when the last appropriation bill was passed he would press the joint resolution for the election of senators by the people, not for the sake of having further speeches, but of actually adopting the resolution.

A bill was introduced authorizing the Sioux City & Omaha Railroad company to construct a railway through the Omaha and Winnebago reservation in Thurston county, Nebraska, to establish a station at the junction in the United States patent office; granting permission for the erection of a monument at Washington in honor of Samuel Hahnemann and appropriating \$4,000 for a foundation.

The bill for the erection of a bridge across the Detroit river at Detroit was postponed until next session, on the request of Mr. Sherman of Pennsylvania, who stated that there would be strong opposition.

The river and harbor bill was then taken up. The amount for the Sioux City revetments of the Missouri river was increased from \$10,000 to \$50,000.

By the point of order Mr. Gorman, the committee amendment was struck out, providing that all persons employed on river and harbor works shall be selected and hired by the officers of the corps of engineers, and the local charge of those works in order that the officers may be held to a strict responsibility for the proper execution of the work in their charge.

The following individual amendments were made: By Mr. Gray, to permit retired army officers to engage in river and harbor works; by Mr. Carter, republican of Missouri, for a dam across the upper Missouri river at Stubbs Ferry to develop water power; by Mr. Lodge, republican of Massachusetts, for a survey of Portland channel, Alaska.

WHITE USES A MAP.

This dispute of the entire bill except the reserved amendment for deep water harbor at Port Los Angeles, in Santa Monica bay, California, and authorizing contracts aggregating \$2,988,000 for the work. A vigorous protest was made by the two California senators, Mr. White and Mr. Perkins, being opposed to it. Mr. White offered an amendment for the creation of a board of officers to report on the relative merits of Santa Monica bay and of San Pedro harbor for the purpose of a deep water harbor. Large easels were brought into the senate and maps of the harbor were placed on them. With pointer in hand, Mr. White then proceeded to point out the main points of the contest.

The senator said the people of the coast would like a good, deep water harbor. Most of the harbors were poor ones. That at San Diego was too remote for a large element of the commerce. This demand for harbor facilities led to the recommendation of the Santa Monica project, and Senator Jones of Nevada built a railroad from Los Angeles to Santa Monica, with a view to the coal business of the coast.

This road fell into the hands of the Southern Pacific company. Mr. White then pointed out that a board of army engineers had recommended San Pedro harbor as the best point for a harbor, and that his recommendation was endorsed by Chief Engineer Casey.

The section was made to this report, and through the efforts of Senator Frye another board, headed by the present chief of engineers, was appointed. Three points—Santa Monica, San Pedro and San Diego—were recommended. The board, each element being represented, the Southern Pacific railway being represented by one of the best lawyers in California.

This board, made up of eight of the foremost engineers of the service, recommended San Pedro harbor. When this report came before congress nothing was done. It is in the hands of the Santa Monica project, as still on, as though no report had been made. Mr. White traced in great detail the history of the subject. Taking up the present status, Mr. White urged that the two California senators, and the representatives from the Sixth California district, did not ask for the amendment inserted in the bill for a harbor at Santa Monica, and said the overwhelming sentiment of the people of the locality was against it.

Mr. White commented on the "extraordinary and peculiar" conditions by which the senators and local representatives from California were not consulted as to the proposed appropriation. It indicated that "some extraordinary influence" had been brought to bear. The senator commented on the "persecution of the Southern Pacific railway," and declared that this accounted for the extraordinary action.

GIFT UNASKED FOR.

Mr. White spoke of the surprise with which he learned that the paragraph for the Santa Monica appropriation had actually been inserted in the bill for the river and harbor bill, although the understanding had been reached that there should be no appropriation beyond that for the river harbor at San Pedro. "So that my state stands on higher ground than that of other states," said Mr. White. "Some states are forced to solicit appropriations, but in my case they come unasked and unwarranted."

The senator commented severely on a communication from "the third house" written by Civil Engineer Corbath, "an employee of the Southern Pacific railroad." The senator remarked that he had seen the communication, and made an official investigation at the request of senators and members. It was Mr. Huntington whom he served, and Mr. White said that he had seen the communication, and made an official investigation at the request of senators and members. It was Mr. Huntington whom he served, and Mr. White said that he had seen the communication, and made an official investigation at the request of senators and members.

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