

GRIDIRON CLUB'S INNING

Newspaper Men and Their Guests Enjoy Notable Annual Dinner.

BRYAN AND CLEVELAND PRESENT BY PROXY

Little Toy Train Presented to Senator Chandler as a Gentle Reminder of the Thing That Hit Him in Late Race for Renomination.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The annual dinner of the Gridiron club, composed of Washington correspondents, was given tonight at the Arlington hotel. About 200 guests and members were at the handsomely decorated tables. Among the guests were distinguished men in all walks of life—cabinet officers, members of the supreme bench, senators, representatives, army and navy officers and mistresses of foreign countries. The reputation of the club was sustained in the matter of unique features, burlesques of public affairs, roasts on public men who were guests, new stunts, all being interspersed with bright speeches, song and burlesque. President Arthur W. Dunn gave the keynote in welcoming the guests, saying the "serious side was in eclipse" during Gridiron dinners, and from the flashing of the gridiron until the end there was abundant merriment.

The menu was an old-style primer, both in printing and illustration, being the alphabet with a rhyme for each letter which hit off some public man or passing event. The inauguration of the president furnished an opportunity for the vice president to test vigorously and finally to appear with a mountain lion and assert he would have an inauguration of his own.

Bryan and Cleveland.

Many men were present who are either editors or business managers of large newspapers. Those were called up, but when all the names had been read a member of the club noted the absence of a distinguished editor and immediately presented another member, representing W. J. Bryan. The latest arrival began immediately to grind out copy and began to bang with nomination from 1904 to 1909 had been presented he declined, but another member immediately came in and accepted. He looked like Cleveland and had the "rank and file" to follow him, and as the program marched out the club sang "Four years more of Grover."

Ode to Uncle Joe Cannon.

Uncle Joe Cannon was remembered by the following song to the tune of "Baby Mine," alleged to be his latest effusion:

From the land of suckers many, Illinois, Illinois; But of statesmen few, Illinois, Illinois. For two years there'll be a noise, Then we'll have young Charley Dawes And won't that be a corker On our poor old boys!

General Grover was declared to be hand-squeezed for 1904. Senator Chandler was presented with a toy railroad train and applauded to begin over again. These with other quips and jokes were enjoyed by the guests, even those who were on the gridiron.

Notable List of Guests.

Among the guests present were: Secretaries Root, Long, Hitchcock and Postmaster General Emery Smith, Mr. Justice Brown, Mr. Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese minister; Mr. Al Ferris, the Turkish minister; Senators Carter, Chandler, Depew, Hanna, Platt of Connecticut, Scott, Spooner, Stewart, Wolcott, Representatives Allen, Cannon, Grosvenor, Joy, Kehoe, Littlefield, Morrell and Richardson, General H. C. Corbin, General John M. Wilson, Major Richard L. Hoxie, Major John M. Cannon, Jr., Captain Lansing P. Beach, U. S. A., Rear Admiral Hichborn, U. S. N., General George H. Harries, Consul General John Goodnow, Shanghai; Ernest von Halle, German; George B. Cortelyou, secretary to the president; Hon. Arthur P. Gorman of Maryland, Thomas F. Walsh, Paris commissioner; ex-Governor David R. Francis of Missouri, James D. Yeomans of the Interstate Commerce commission, Frank R. Noyes, president of the Associated Press; H. Clay Evans, commissioner of pensions; Melville E. Stone, general manager of the Associated Press; W. E. Quinby of the Chicago Times-Herald; George Adee of the Chicago Record; Steve C. Stone of the Washington Post; Frank A. Vanderlip, assistant secretary of the treasury; S. S. Huntley of Montana, Charles G. Dawes, comptroller of the currency; Prof. Willis L. Moore, chief of the weather bureau; Nathan Frank of the St. Louis Star; Hon. Seth W. Cobb of St. Louis; Richard C. Kerens of Mis-

souri and Henry L. Stoddard of the New York Mail and Express.

CULLOM GREETED CORDIALLY

Illinois Senator Gets Warm Reception from Old Associates in the Upper House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The first business in the senate today was the presentation of the credentials of Fred T. Dubois as senator-elect of Idaho, and of Shelby M. Cullom, as senator-elect from Illinois, the presentation being made in the Dubois case by Mr. Heifeldt, and in Mr. Cullom's case by Mr. Mason. The desk of the Illinois senator was covered with flowers and upon his appearance, the first since his reelection, he was cordially greeted by his associates on the floor.

Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts introduced, and the senate passed, a resolution asking for all information at the command of the president or any executive officer of the government as to the extent of lands in the Philippine islands used for ecclesiastical purposes, the character and value of such lands and whether any official had on behalf of the government entered into any obligation as to the titles of such lands.

An effort was made by Mr. Hawley to obtain consideration of the conference report upon the army reorganization bill, but the report finally went over under objection. The Indian appropriation bill was then taken up.

The senate bill providing an American register for the foreign-built barkentine J. C. Pluiger of San Francisco was passed.

Mr. Hawley made an effort to secure consideration of the conference report on the army reorganization bill, stating at the same time that the bill could not be supplied to senators until clerical errors in the print received could be corrected. Objection was made and the consideration of the report was postponed until Monday.

The Indian appropriation bill was then taken up. The amendment concerning townsite apportionment was considered, Mr. Pettigrew renewing his opposition to the townsite commission. After some debate the townsite amendment was agreed to.

Fight Made on Irrigation Bill.

Mr. Platt of Connecticut opposed the appropriation of \$100,000 for investigation and survey of proposed irrigation dams and canals on the Gila river in the San Carlos reservation, Arizona. He said he was opposed to the plan, as it was one which would commit the government to a new policy which would be a heavy expense cost before it was carried out. Mr. Platt explained that settlers at the head of the Gila river had taken up water rights at the head of the stream and thus cut down the supply. The amendment, he said, was framed in haste to commit the government to a policy of national irrigation.

Mr. Platt said that all the irrigation needed for the Indians could be secured for \$100,000, but that the irrigation advocates favored this scheme because it would assist the burden of irrigation of the arid lands inevitably upon the government.

Mr. Stewart contended that the amendment contemplated only the completion of the surveys already under way and that nothing would follow but a submission of the complete plan to congress.

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Iowa Shows Falling Off in Speed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—A recent report from Captain Cooper, commanding the battleship Iowa, the flagship of the Pacific squadron, notes a great reduction in the speed of that vessel owing to a foul bottom. The Iowa went into dock last May, nearly eight months ago, and on its recent cruise down the coast showed a falling off of nearly 15 per cent in its regulation speed. Captain Cooper urges that the vessel should be docked for a thorough cleaning and painting at the earliest possible moment.

Open New Port in China.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The State department has been notified by a dispatch from the United States consul at Han Kow that a new port is to be opened opposite that place, at the terminus of the Han Kow-Canton railway. The viceroy will establish the rules of government.

Cadets from Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—A board of officers, with Major B. D. Taylor, surgeon, as president, has been appointed to meet at Camp McKinley, Honolulu, March 1, to examine candidates for admission to the United States Military academy.

in Indian reservations and to withhold from such reservation all mineral lands, providing for an investigation as to whether or not a personal tax may be levied in the Indian Territory to maintain a free school system, permitting the sale of 50,000,000 feet of timber from the Jicarillo Apache Indian reservation.

After a brief executive session the senate at 5:33 p. m. adjourned with the irrigation amendment still pending.

HOUSE DECLINES TO AGREE

Turns Down Senate's Amendments to Appropriation Bill and Wants a Conference.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The house today disagreed to the senate amendments to the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and agreed to the conference asked for by the senate. Messrs. Bingham of Pennsylvania, Hemenway of Indiana and Livingston of Georgia were appointed conferees on the part of the house.

The house then proceeded with the consideration of the bill to revise and codify the postal laws, which was interrupted by the consideration of appropriation bills.

An amendment offered by Mr. Lattimer of South Carolina to provide that no star route contract should be let to anyone not a resident in the country where the route was located aroused a great deal of opposition from the immediate friends of the bill who argued that the inclusion of such amendments into a bill to codify the postal laws would result in loading the measure down and make its passage almost certain. The amendment was supported by Mr. Tate and Mr. Bartlett, Mr. Stephens of Texas, Mr. Taibert of South Carolina and others. The amendment was lost, 38 to 47.

Mr. Tawney declined to be convinced and advisability of placing upon the bill an amendment his bill for the reclassification of the railway mail clerks.

Mr. Loud appealed to Mr. Tawney not to offer the amendment, on the ground that if adopted it would sound the death knell of the bill. If the bill contained any provision which could not pass the senate by unanimous consent it must fail.

Mr. Tawney declined to be convinced and offered the amendment. It classified railway mail clerks into ten classes, with salaries ranging from \$900 to \$1,800 per annum. After some further debate by Messrs. Sherry of Connecticut and Fitzgerald of Massachusetts in favor of the adoption of the amendment, and Mr. Bromwell of Ohio against it, the amendment was lost, 48 to 49. After completing 193 pages of the bill the committee rose.

The remainder of the day was devoted to eulogies upon the life and public services of the late Senator George of Iowa. The speakers were Messrs. Hedge, Lacy and Hall of Iowa, Grosvenor of Ohio, Richardson of Tennessee, Steele of Indiana and Dazell of Pennsylvania.

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Says They Always Patronize His Great Companies Liberally.

HIS TOUR WITH BERNHARDT AND COQUELIN

Predicts a Great Artistic and Financial Success for the French Artists in Transcontinental Tour.

Marcus Mayer, impresario, manager, promoter and general manager of high-class operatic and dramatic enterprises, was in Omaha yesterday arranging the details for the coming appearance of Bernhardt and Coquelin at the Boyd. Mr. Mayer has been here before with Coquelin and, according to his own confession, has always done well in Omaha. During the course of an extended conversation he said:

"I was here with Lawrence Barrett 1 year in the 70s. The first attraction I brought to Omaha was Christine Nilsson in 1852. We had Patti here in 1885, in concert, in what was called the Exposition building; we played to 211,000. We brought Mary Anderson here before that in 1884, down at the old Boyd opera house. The last time I was here was with Patti and Tamagni, in 1889, at the Coliseum; in that company we also had Nordica, who was a very small fry then. The principal people in the company were Patti, Tamagni, Albani, Cashman as baritone, and Antonio Galassi and Savare. That was the first time they put on opera here. There were two big performances. The local association gave us \$10,000 for two performances, but I think they made money out of it; I know they did, in fact. We have always made money here. That Omaha. That has been the history of big things in Omaha."

"We charged \$2.50 for Mary Anderson and she had a very small company, only about thirty people; and for Patti we charged \$5 in the big Coliseum. You know it is not in our interest to charge high prices; that is not the idea. The idea is to charge high prices only when the theater is small."

Still True to Patti.

"Of course there was a great difference in prices at that time, for there was only one Patti!"

"There is only one Patti now, and there was no one who could compare with Patti at that time. The field is scattered today; we have Melba and Nordica. But there is only one Patti, as there is only one Niagara Falls. I heard Patti sing last summer and she is the same Patti."

"Is there any truth in the statement that she is going to make another American tour?" "They asked me about it in Chicago and I said I was prepared to bring her over. I am willing to tour Patti again. Some of our people here don't know about Patti! She sings, you know, just as well as ever; the heart is all there. And today there is a generation growing up from below. There is a myriad of people grown up, who were little boys and girls when Patti was here, who will be here to hear her now; their parents want them to hear Patti again; and older people want to hear Patti again; and so, I say, there is a new generation grown up. And there are cities today, musical cities today that were small cities then."

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