

RADICALS WIN POINT

Socialists Defeat Liberals' Attempt to Close Debate on Revision of Constitution.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSITION TODAY

Excitement Prevails in Brussels Legislative Halls During the Debate.

PREMIER IS JEERED THROUGHOUT SPEECH

Socialist Members Declare the Government is Thirsting for Blood.

ASSERT CIVIL WAR IS THREATENED

Violent Speech of Progressist, Condemning National Leaders for Provoking Strife Precedes a Concession from Premier.

BRUSSELS, April 17.—The debate on the proposed revision of the Belgian constitution was resumed in the Chamber of Representatives today. M. Braun (liberal), advocated a speedy closing of the debate, in the interest of the whole country, and the premier, M. de Smet de Mayer, heartily endorsed the suggestion, and proposed that the house continue sitting today until the question was settled.

The socialists protested against the adoption of the proposal, but the premier insisted upon its adoption. M. Van Der Velde, the socialist leader, criticized the government's attitude. Instead of extending the olive branch, he asserted, the premier offered fresh provocation. The socialists were absolutely opposed to the discussion today because vital events might soon occur.

The speaker then pointed to the fact that there were 300,000 men on a strike and that they enjoyed the respect of the middle classes.

"Government Thirsts for Blood." This statement was greeted with socialist shouts of: "The government thirsts for blood."

The premier maintained the wisdom of the proposal for a speedy close of the debate.

Socialist shouts of "Trickery!" "Treachery!" "It will be the signal for a revolution!" followed the premier's remarks.

At this juncture M. Van Der Velde crossed the floor and held a brief conference with the premier, during which M. Trochet (socialist), cried: "He did not believe that universal suffrage would be conducive to the maintenance of free institutions in Belgium."

The government was prepared to examine hereafter arrangements calculated to improve the conditions of the country, but it would not agree to adopt universal suffrage, pure and simple, which, he claimed, the socialists alone desired.

A revision of the constitution, the premier further asserted, would plunge the country into turmoil, and the government utterly declined to be driven at the dictation of the populace and under threats of strike affiliation and violence.

Renewed socialist uproar, including threats of civil war and shouts of "You have murdered one of the people," followed this announcement of the premier.

The premier, after remarking that he declined to notice such calumnies, said the existence of their national institutions was at stake. The government was responsible for the honor and destiny of the country and was conscious of its duty. He then invited the chamber to reject the proposed consideration of the proposal to revise the constitution.

After a violent speech by M. Janssen, progressist, who declared the government was forcing the country over the brink of civil war, the premier, the government was willing for the sake of peace to withdraw the closure proposal.

M. Van Der Velde agreed to this and the chamber unanimously fixed the hour for vote on the question of revision of the constitution at 8 o'clock tomorrow.

EXILED KING DEAD IN FRANCE

Grandfather of the Young King of Spain Dies at Age of Eighty.

EPINAY, Department of the Seine, France, April 17.—Don Francisco d'Assise, the former king of Spain, died here last night at the age of 80 years. He was expelled from Spain in 1868.

Don Francisco d'Assise, duke of Cadix, was born at Epinay, France, on October 10, 1848, was married at Madrid to his cousin, Queen Isabella II of Spain, and was the same day proclaimed king of Spain. Queen Isabella and her husband were expelled from Spain as a result of the revolution of September 30, 1868. She formally abdicated the throne in Paris June 25, 1870, in favor of her son, the late King Alfonso XII, father of the present king of Spain, Alfonso XIII. The latter, who was proclaimed king under the regency of his mother on the day of his birth, May 17, 1884, is to be crowned May 17 next.

WITNESSES AGAINST LYNCH

Are Being Brought by the English Government from South Africa.

LONDON, April 17.—Although there is no indication that Colonel Arthur Lynch, who fought on the Boer side in the South African war, and who was elected to represent Galway city in Parliament in November last, has any intention of placing himself within reach of the British courts, the government is bringing witnesses from South Africa to testify in support of the charge of high treason brought against him.

Lewis Handley, an American by birth, but a naturalized British subject and farmer of the vicinity of Glencoe, Natal, landed in England today. He says Colonel Lynch was the leader of a Boer force, principally composed of Irishmen, which raided his farm in 1900, confiscated his stock and other movables and destroyed his crops. Lynch informed Handley that he (Lynch) was a British subject.

QUEEN WILHELMINA BETTER

Her Majesty Still Has Fever, but Danger is Now Regarded as Passed.

AMSTERDAM, April 17.—The cause of Queen Wilhelmina's illness is premature childbirth. An official bulletin published today says her recovery is somewhat less tranquil night. Her fever, however, has not increased and her condition is comparatively satisfactory.

A bulletin issued from the palace at 3 p. m. today says: "Since morning there has been a slight improvement in the condition of the queen's fever continues."

It was authoritatively declared this afternoon that the queen, who is suffering from peritonitis and nephritis is in a final vote on the passage of the bill before adjournment tomorrow night. All day long the leaders were counting noses and preparing for the final struggle tomorrow.

The democrats are badly split on the bill.

The opponents of the bill occupied most of the time of the debate today, the feature being a vigorous speech by Mr. Cushman, republican, of Washington, against the measure. Mr. Cushman arraigned the committee on rules and the house leaders in a breezy and at times a sensational fashion. A portion of his criticism was in a semi-humorous vein, but some of it was decidedly caustic.

Mr. De Armond, one of the leading democrats of the house, delivered a forcible speech in favor of tariff reduction on trust articles.

Dr. Armond is Sarcasmic.

Mr. De Armond explained that later on a motion would be made to amend the bill to take the differential of refined sugar—the differential put in the bill for the benefit of the trust. Then he said, would come the beautiful spectacle we have witnessed so often—the rules would stand in the way and members would hide behind the rules.

But Mr. De Armond warned members that they could not justify themselves with such a plea. "This will be your chance," he said, "you are either for this trust, or you are against it. If you are against it do not let a spider web rule stand in your path. The man who votes to sustain the chair will stand in history and before his constituents and this house as opposed to the proposition he refuses to consider."

Mr. Cushman of Washington made a breezy speech against the bill. He declared that a majority of the republicans of the house were today opposed, although a majority were convinced that it would be better for them to be in favor of it.

Blames Speaker Henderson.

He intimated that the speaker's position was responsible for the change of attitude of many of the members and followed this statement with a very outspoken and almost sensational criticism of the power exercised by the speaker.

"I make the statement on this floor now," said Mr. Cushman, "that no member who introduces a bill not a private bill, can get it considered unless it suits the speaker, and if anyone wants to deny that I am in a personal position, and in a clearly happy frame of mind to give a little valuable testimony on that point." (Applause and laughter.)

Mr. Cushman quoted Cassius' allusion to Caesar as the colossus of the world, and continued:

Attacks Rules, Not Individual.

I make no onslaught on the individual. I have a high regard for him politically, but the fact is that we have adopted a set of rules in this house which are a disgrace to the democratic side. They are not republican in spirit. They are not American. (Applause on the democratic side.) We need to restore to the people the right of the people to elect their representatives to the house of representatives and exact plans with every other.

We operate here under a set of rules, confessedly designed to keep out of power and dwarf the ambitions of the individual members of this body, and to keep the hands of one or two men that have no right to it, and to keep the hands of one or two men that have no right to it, and to keep the hands of one or two men that have no right to it.

Mr. Cushman, let no man charge me now with trying to tear down the republican party. I am a clearly happy republican party. I confess that I sometimes feel that the republican party drift into disrepute and toward destruction, and I call attention to the evils that exist.

Quotes Republican Authority.

Mr. Cushman then turned his attention to the pending measure and its sponsors. After reading the utterances of Harrison, Blaine and McKinley on the subject of reciprocity, to show that they did not advocate such reciprocity as was contained in the proposal for the reciprocity of John Daisell to the reciprocity of Benjamin Harrison I appeal from the reciprocity of William McKinley. I appeal from the reciprocity of Benjamin Harrison to the reciprocity of William McKinley.

"I have been interested as well as entertained," he continued, "by some peculiar statements that have been made on this floor in support of this measure."

"The gentleman from New York (Mr. Payne) on this side of the chamber proclaims that this measure was the height of republican protection, and then within an hour before the sand in the glass had run out, Mr. McKelvey arose on the other side and announced that he was breaking the wall of protection and a step toward free trade."

And these two speeches are printed in parallel columns of the same issue of the Congressional Record.

Draws Ludicrous Picture.

"There is a picture. The gentleman from New York (Mr. Payne) with one foot planted on the wall of protection, with the other set firmly on the ramparts of free trade, with the American Sugar Refining company in his arms and the platform of the republican party in his tin pocket (laughter). There is a tableau (renewed laughter) that with the aid of a slow curtain and a little red fire would bring tears to the eyes of an Egyptian mummy."

Mr. Lacey of California declared that he was a republican and followed a leader where he could, many times against his better judgment, but from this proposition there was no obligation on the United States to help Cuba at the expense of our own people. Cuba already had cut its own way and another thousand million dollars.

Mr. Lacey of Iowa, the last speaker today, supported the bill.

VOLCANOES ARE IN ACTION

Eruption Follows an Earthquake in the New Hebrides Islands.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 17.—Advice from Australia states that on the 15th of last month the New Hebrides islands were shaken by an earthquake. The shocks subsided next day somewhat, but at intervals were renewed throughout the week.

Six hours after the first trembling the city became a blaze of light and Albert. Lopez and Tingo volcanoes burst into action, the last named blowing out a great throat into the sea and sending a great waterspout over the land. The devastation caused by the earthquake was widespread.

Pilgrims See the Pope.

ROME, April 17.—The pope this morning received in audience a large number of Swiss pilgrims. The pope's audience was interrupted by the diplomatic rupture between Italy and Switzerland, a hostile demonstration against the pilgrims was feared, but it was prevented by the exhaustive military precautions by the government.

CONDEMNNS THE HOUSE RULES

Cushman of Washington Declares Arbitrary Power is Vested in Speaker.

SAYS INDIVIDUAL POWERS ARE MENACED

Appeals to Republican Associates to Keep Standard of Action on High

OMAHA MAN IN THE LIST

John Louis Kind Awarded Carl Schurz Fellowship by Columbia University.

NEW YORK, April 17.—Annual fellowships in Columbia university have just been awarded for the academic year by the university council. Thirty-eight were awarded, each carrying an annual stipend of \$500 or more. The successful candidates come from twenty states and territories, almost half of them west of the Mississippi river. Among the awards are:

University Fellowship—in academic chemistry, Hal Deans of Moscow, Idaho; in administrative law, Harold Bowman of Des Moines, Ia.; in European history, William Boyd of Durham, N. C.; in zoology, Charles Bruce of Austin, Tex.; in metallurgy, William Campbell of Kempsay, England; in economics, Walter Clark of Delaware; in Greek, Stephen Hurst of Madison, Wis.; in geology, Douglas Johnson of Albuquerque, N. M.; in physiology, James Miner of Berlin, Wis.; in constitutional law, Samuel Smith of Akron, O.; in zoology, Raymond Osborn of Fargo, N. D.; in German languages and literatures, Charles Turrell of Arkadelphia, Ark.

Alternates, Under the Faculty of Philosophy—in anthropology, Joseph Blair of Hall, Pa.; in psychology, James Porter of Bloomington, Ind.

Alternates, Under the Faculty of Political Science—in finance, Robert Olson of Walla Walla, Wash.; in statistics, Daniel Peacock of Richmond, Ind.

Alternates, Under the Faculty of Pure and Applied Science—in chemistry, David McFarlan of Lawrence, Kan.; in civil engineering, Richard Lyman of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Honorary Fellowship in Economics and Political Science—Henry Mussey of Atkinson, Ill.

Carl Schurz Fellowship in Literature and the German Language—in literature, David McFarlan of Lawrence, Kan.; in civil engineering, Richard Lyman of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Among the favored ones are two Omahans, Hal T. Beane, whose address is given as Moscow, Idaho, and John L. Kind, who is an instructor of German in the Omaha High school. Mr. Beane is the son of David T. Beane of 2406 North Twenty-first street.

He secured his academic degree at the University of Nebraska, taking his bachelor of science from there in 1899. The next year he held a scholarship in the chemistry department at the university and took his second degree. He then went to the University of Idaho, where he has been adjunct professor of the chemistry department. His university fellowship will give him an opportunity to complete his studies in the sciences.

Mr. Kind is also a Nebraska university product, having won the highest classical honors there all during his residence. He is now a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity in German and Greek. When initiated into the honorary scholarship fraternity, Phi Beta Kappa, were chosen from his class Mr. Kind's was among the first five names, it being the custom to nominate a quintet in absence of the rest as a mark of highest merit.

On graduating Mr. Kind was given a scholarship in the German department under Prof. Laurence Pascher, and he held this for two years, taking his master's degree meanwhile in 1901. During his post graduate work he traveled the entire course in the Sanskrit, the Hebrew and the Gothic languages, as a final foundation to his modern language work. Mr. Kind was last fall given a position in the German department of the high school here on recommendation from the university faculty members.

His Carl Schurz fellowship will pay him \$600 a year and was gained on his master's thesis and certificates of the unusual amount of work in the German language and literature which he had done.

RENEWS THE CURFEW CRUSADE

President of National Association Wants All Railroad Towns to Adopt Ordinance.

KANSAS CITY, April 17.—Alexander Hogeland, president of the National Curfew Association, is taking steps to extend the curfew law to cities and towns along all railroads in the United States. He has addressed a letter to Charles H. Winslow, general secretary of the railroad branch of the Young Men's Christian association, Kansas City, Mo., inquiring if he cannot arrange with the general managers of all cities and towns on their respective lines of railroads to have the curfew ordinance requiring city and town officials to arrest all boy tramps and restore them to their homes. President Hogeland thinks the management of all of the railroads will be glad to aid in getting the ordinance referred to adopted, as they are certain to prevent further recruits to the ranks of the vast army of American tramps now swarming over the country.

President Hogeland says the ordinance will lessen accidents to trains and protect both life and property as they will greatly curtail the liability of railroads to prosecution for accidents, as well as to reduce the army of tramps.

Settlement is in Sight

Possibility of Strike in Anthracite Coal Region is Growing Less.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., April 17.—Miles Daugherty, member of the national executive board of the United Mine Workers from the north district, has returned to his home here from Indianapolis, where he attended the meeting of the board. Mr. Daugherty says the possibilities of a strike in the anthracite coal region are growing less and that within a few days a move will be made toward the settlement of the differences between the operators and mine workers.

From Mahoney City information is received to the effect that a strike has been averted.

John de Silva, a member of the district executive board, said that while he had received no official information concerning the settlement he had reason to believe it was true and that it would be confirmed, official before the end of the week.

What the basis of the compromise would be he said he could not say, further than that it was satisfactory to National President Mitchell and the district president and the approval of the rank and file of the organization.

New Electric Line

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 17.—The Kansas City & Lexington Electric railway, with a capital stock of \$250,000, was chartered here today. The company, which proposes to build a trolley line between Kansas City and Lexington, Mo., a distance of forty-two miles, is composed of James C. and Edward McGraw, Edwin M. Taubman, W. B. Waddell and R. E. Fryal of Lexington. The line is to be built to obtain the freight transportation. Passengers also will be carried.

BURKETT KEEPS UP FIGHT

Insists Attorney General Knox is Misinformed on Court Matters.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES HAVE SCHEME

Seek to Have School of Mines Bill Tacked onto Irrigation Measure, with Idea of Helping Both Out.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, April 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Burkett is still an ardent supporter of the bill giving Nebraska two judicial districts.

"I cannot conceive how Attorney General Knox could have written the letter to Congressmen Stark when the facts in his office show that the Nebraska United States district judges were more business than some states which have two judicial districts at present. My impression is that Attorney General Knox has been misled and notwithstanding his opinion that another district is not needed in Nebraska, I for one want to say right now that I agree with him and I will work for the bill as enthusiastically as if the letter of Knox had never been written," said Mr. Burkett.

The representative from the first Nebraska district today secured a ruling from the secretary of the later-reversing Committee on Ways and Means that T. H. Hatch of Lincoln, who notwithstanding he had five years' service in the war, has been unable to secure a pension. He has for twenty years been attempting to establish the fact that the scurvy which he has is his disability. For this purpose Mr. Burkett has followed this case from division to division until he has at last secured a pension for Dory Hatch. In the secretary's opinion overruling the commissioner he says that scurvy in the army has been well established. The case will now go back to the commissioner of pensions for final action.

Senator Allison leaves tonight for Iowa to be gone for a week or ten days.

Seek Alliance with Irrigationists.

A committee of presidents of agricultural colleges of the east was introduced to Speaker Henderson today by Representative Grosvener, who discussed with General Henderson the possibility of Mr. Grosvener to apply a portion of the proceeds of the sale of public lands to the endowment of schools or departments of mining and metallurgy where these schools of mines are connected with agricultural colleges.

The committee went over the bill with the speaker and he agreed that the best way to secure the passage of this measure was to join forces with the friends of the irrigation bill and bring the two measures together in one bill, thereby giving the measure greater strength than they could possibly have separately.

It has been agreed that the irrigation bill will be defeated unless coupled with some measure that will give it additional votes. It is extremely doubtful if the irrigationists will permit Grosvener's bill to be added to the measure, as they are desirous of getting a direct appropriation from the house on the proposition of irrigating the arid and semi-arid regions of the west. It was stated today that President Boardman of the agricultural colleges at Ames, Ia., has written a strong letter to Speaker Henderson in behalf of the school of mines bill and urging upon the speaker the importance of securing its passage.

Hull Sure of Money.

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