

PUBLICITY IMPOSED

House Adopts Commerce Bill as Amended by Senate in Joint Conference.

ONLY TEN VOTE AGAINST THE MEASURE

Littlefield of Maine Joins With Nine Democrats in Seeking to Kill Proposal.

CALLS LAW TRUST SOOTHING SYRUP

Hall of Texas Laughs at Rockefeller Telegrams and Nelson Amendment.

WILL ENLARGE AND BEAUTIFY CAPITOL

Cannon Desires to Spend \$3,500,000 on New Offices for Members and \$2,500,000 on Finishing Congressional Building.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The house today adopted the conference report on the Department of Commerce bill by 251 to 10. One republican, Mr. Littlefield (Me.), and nine democrats voted against it.

Several democrats took the position that the Nelson amendment was a weak and ineffectual attempt to force for corporations.

The remainder of the day was devoted to the sundry civil appropriation bill. Mr. Cannon, chairman of the appropriations committee, gave notice that at the proper time he would have two amendments, one to provide for the purchase of a site and the erection of a three-story, 400-room office building for members to be connected with the capitol by a subway and to cost \$3,500,000, and another to provide for the purchase of \$2,500,000 to carry out the original plans for beautifying and enlarging the main wing of the capitol.

The notable feature of the general debate on the bill was a speech by Mr. De Armond (Mo.) on the Hanna bill to pension ex-slaves. He spoke in a sarcastic vein, but the subject assumed a serious phase when Mr. Richardson (Tenn.) said that he had in the south using the bill to impose on ignorant, credulous negroes, and called on Mr. Cannon to give assurance that the passage of such a measure was not contemplated. This assurance Mr. Cannon gave.

Sunday, February 22, was set aside for paying tribute to the memory of the late Representative Tongue of Oregon. Eulogies upon the life and services of the late Representative Rumpke of Iowa were also ordered on the same day.

Mr. Hepburn (Ia.), chairman of the Interstate Commerce commission, then called up the conference report upon the Department of Commerce bill.

Publicity in Diluted Dose.

Mr. Richardson (Ala.), one of the congressmen on the bill, explained his reasons for declining to support the Nelson amendment concerning the bureau of corporations. He did not believe any democrat could sustain himself by opposing everything aimed at the trusts because it was of republican origin. He did not believe the Nelson amendment was a travesty upon what it claimed to be. It was, he said, an "ultra-diluted dose." Its purpose, he declared, was not to authorize the president to proceed against the trusts, but simply to secure information upon which he could base recommendations. This was a pure response to the bold threats which were heralded abroad that an extra session would be called unless effective legislation were enacted.

Mr. Ball (Tex.), who followed Mr. Richardson, ridiculed the program of the administration regarding anti-trust legislation. The administration was represented as anxious to secure the passage of the Nelson and Elkins bills, and it was pretended that the Standard Oil company was sending telegrams to prominent senators against their passage.

"I do not believe," said he, "that John D. Rockefeller or any other trust magnate has raised a voice against the homeopathic doses in those bills. They are no more harmful to investors than would be Mrs. Winslow's soothing syrup."

Mr. Mann (Ill.) declared that the Nelson amendment would give to the bureau of corporations greater power to investigate the affairs of trusts than was conferred by any other bill presented to congress.

Here Delusion and Snare.

Mr. Adamson (Ga.) said that while he realized the Nelson amendment was "a delusion and a snare, thinner than thin air," yet an notice had been served that it was the only measure on the program of "the trust busters." It would receive his vote.

The report was adopted—251 to 10.

Those voting in the negative were: Ball (Tenn.), De Armond (Mo.), Fleming (Ga.), Lester (La.), Little (Ark.), Reid (Ark.), Robertson (La.), Shackelford (Mo.) and Vandiver (Mo.), democrats, and Littlefield (Me.), republican.

The house then went into committee of the whole to consider the sundry civil appropriation bill. Mr. Cannon, chairman of the appropriations committee, in charge of the measure, explained its provisions.

It carried, he said, \$15,917,925, being \$8,378,432 less than the estimates and \$17,446,353 more than accounted for by \$14,067,921 for rivers and harbors and \$2,000,000 recommended for the relief of distress of the people in the Philippines.

At 5:55 the house adjourned.

CLAIMS TRUST BILLS ARE HUNG

Morgan Calls Stated Peaceful Political Blockade of Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The stalemate bill again came up in the senate today when Mr. Morgan (Ala.) spoke on it for some time.

In the course of a two and a half hour speech he said bills regarding trusts had been kept back and would be kept back until it was too late to discuss them. The time of the senate was being wasted on account of what he termed a "peaceful political blockade on the stalemate bill," when more important measures were awaiting action.

Mr. Hanna presented the conference report on the Department of Commerce bill and a final vote on it was deferred until tomorrow.

The conference report on the general staff bill was agreed to. A number of other bills were passed, including one increasing

SWEDEN APPEALS FOR AID

United States Legation at Stockholm to Collect Contributions for Sufferers.

LINDSBORG, Kan., Feb. 10.—Rev. Dr. C. Swenson, president of the Swedish college, today received a lengthy letter from the United States legation at Stockholm, Sweden, saying:

The undersigned, chairman of the committee to collect contributions in America for the famine sufferers in northern Sweden, appeals to you in the name of Christian charity and of your love of old Sweden to start collections in Kansas.

If a shipment of provisions can be collected easier than money they will be received in New York and transmitted to the United States legation at Stockholm, Sweden, to be forwarded to the famine sufferers in northern Sweden.

At least \$100,000 is necessary to avert starvation till next harvest. Have just returned after a fortnight's traveling in the stricken district. My heart aches at the sight of suffering thousands.

Dr. Swenson has just returned from Topeka, where he had been to confer with Governor Bailey on the subject of relief, and the latter will, it is said, take action officially in a day or two.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 10.—The central committee for the relief of famine sufferers in Northern Sweden has received from America about \$17,000. Besides this amount considerable sums have been sent to individuals by American sympathizers for distribution to the needy.

The American committee are under the express proviso that they are not to be distributed in the shape of loans or for the payment of labor on the specially organized relief works. About \$5,000 of American money has been expended in the purchase of food which has been distributed in the six of the most needy provinces. The rest has been spent on food and in feeding poor scholars.

The relief committee says the misery is more widespread than was anticipated and estimates that \$1,000,000 will be required.

TRADE LEAVES BRITISH FLAG

America and Germany Obtain Large South African Orders by Push and Energy.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—Ben Morgan, a member of the British industrial commission which recently made an elaborate inquiry into the industrial and business possibilities of South Africa, spoke tonight at the Royal Colonial institute on trade conditions in South Africa.

He said British manufacturers had already lost heavily to American and German trade in the south, and he urged representatives on the spot and booked large orders for delivery as soon as peace was declared.

The Afrikaners, however, preferred British goods and only placed orders with foreign firms because of low prices and quick delivery. He urged a permanent committee of intelligence at Johannesburg and a shipping combine in the interest of British manufacturers in order to break up the present discrimination in freight rates against British goods.

Mr. Morgan was convinced that the new colonies were capable of a great production of wool, cotton, tobacco, sugar, tea and coffee.

ANARCHIST IS SENTENCED

Imprisonment for Life for Man Who Attempted to Kill King Leopold.

BRUSSELS, Feb. 10.—Genaro Rubino, the Italian anarchist, who has been on trial here since February 6, charged with attempting to assassinate King Leopold, November 15, by firing three shots at the king, while he was returning from the cathedral after attending the Te Deum mass in memory of the late Queen Henriette, was found guilty today and was sentenced to imprisonment for life at penal servitude.

When the trial of Rubino was resumed today counsel for the defense appealed to the jury to act in a manner similar to that of the jury which tried Sipe (who attempted to assassinate the then prince of Wales, now King Edward, at Brussels in April, 1900), and "listening only to the voice of their official duty, acquit the accused."

ISTHMIAN TROOPS MOVING

Central American Republics Mass Soldiers Ready for Tri-State War.

PANAMA, Feb. 10.—It is reported that Guatemala has 8,000 men on the frontier, which means government has sent forces from various points to help the retiring president of Honduras. General Zelaya of Nicaragua and President Regalado of Salvador are convinced that General Sierra will not allow the meeting of the Honduras army.

General Alvarez Guerrero, one of General Sierra's ministers, has sent him to join President-elect Bonilla, who has organized his government at Amapala island. The origin of the present conflict is the opposition of President Cabrera of Guatemala to the intervention of Salvador and Nicaragua in favor of General Sierra.

HARD TO CONQUER REBELS

Philippine Constabulary Will Be Reinforced in Bulacan and Rizal Provinces.

MANILA, Feb. 10.—The government is preparing to thoroughly round up the disorderly elements in Bulacan and Rizal provinces, where the constabulary will be reinforced by several companies of native scouts.

The rumors from the disaffected provinces are believed to exaggerate the number of hostiles, of whom it is said there are 2,000 in the field. More trustworthy reports say there are not over 500 under arms and that the bulk of those fled after Sunday's fight. It is believed the chief difficulty will be in cornering them.

CUBA TO BORROW MILLIONS

Will Issue Bonds to Pay Soldiers and Aid Insular Agriculture.

HAVANA, Feb. 10.—The joint committee of the senate and house has prepared its report on the soldiers' pay bill. It provides for a 5 per cent bond issue of \$35,000,000, \$4,000,000 of which will be expended in the aid of agriculture, and the balance in paying the soldiers.

The loan is guaranteed by stamp acts, and duties on liquor, matches and tobacco, but the committee does not propose to levy the duty on tobacco until ten years hence, when a portion of the principal loan becomes due.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Steps to Purchase Water Plant are Ordered to Be Taken.

TO PROCEED UNDER HOWELL-GILBERT LAW

Mayor in His Message Recommends Purchase Under Clause of Franchise That Becomes Operative This Year.

Steps preliminary to the acquisition of the water works under the provisions of the Howell-Gilbert law were taken by the city council last night on the motion of Councilman Hascall. The mayor had scarce finished reading his annual message when Mr. Hascall moved that the city attorney be instructed to prepare an ordinance declaring it advisable and necessary to acquire the water plant by purchase under the provisions of the new law, the ordinance to provide that the question of value of the plant be submitted under the arbitration clause of the act, if a mutual understanding cannot be reached between the city council and the Omaha Water company.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Trosley and passed without debate or dissent. Councilman Mount, who was excused, was the only member not present.

The reading of his annual message to the council by Mayor Moore required more than half an hour, as it covered the work done by each department during 1902, and making numerous recommendations for the future. The mayor explained that it had been delayed by the slow arrival of reports from the subordinate departments. Close attention was given to the message.

BURNS MURDERED HUSBAND

Woman Shoots Spouse, Cuts Body Up and Cooks Over Roasting Remains.

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Feb. 10.—The 14-year-old daughter of Mrs. Taylor, charged with the murder of her husband, told a horrible story of her mother's crime today.

The girl is the woman's daughter by a former marriage. She said her stepfather came home drunk and began quarreling with her mother.

A short time after she heard a shot and running into the kitchen saw Taylor lying on the floor and saw her mother about him again.

Mrs. Taylor then seized an axe and cut off his head and right arm, both of which she placed in the stove. The remainder of the body was cut into four pieces, put in a sack in the pantry and during the two succeeding days parts of the body were burned until it was all consumed.

During the time the body was being burned the usual meals were cooked by Mrs. Taylor.

VETERANS ELECT OFFICERS

Union Soldiers Hold Harmonious Meeting and Make General Hutchinson Commander-in-Chief.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Feb. 10.—Thirty-four states were represented at the meeting of the National Union Veterans' union today. Resolutions were adopted in favor of the original principles of the organization, allowing only veterans of six months' service and one battle to become members. The meeting was harmonious, 700 resolutions adopted and the following officers elected: General F. B. Hutchinson, Rochester, N. Y., commander in chief; W. H. Keepers, Portsmouth, N. H., first deputy commander in chief; N. B. Pierce, Illinois, second deputy commander in chief; H. A. Waver, Topeka, deputy chaplain in chief; J. W. Barry, Springfield, O., sergeant in chief.

ROCKEFELLER PLEADS DEBTS

Richest Young Man in America Evades Payment of Tax on His Property.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is supposed to be about the richest young man in America, but he owes \$400,000 and has only \$30,000 worth of personal property, according to the statement filed with the department of taxes and assessments.

Mr. Rockefeller was assessed at \$500,000. From what could be learned at the tax office he called there and stated that he had \$400,000 in debts and that his personal property above his debts was worth only \$30,000.

He said he was willing to pay taxes on an assessment of \$50,000 and the commissioners accepted his figures.

WISH TO TEACH RELIGION

Delegates of All Faiths Meet in Chicago to Discuss Changing Public School Course.

CHICAGO, Feb. 10.—Aroused by a belief that religious education is failing to keep pace with secular education, 600 delegates embracing a diversity of religious beliefs have gathered in Chicago to formulate a plan by which religious education may be given in the public schools.

The idea is to eliminate sectarian ideas and teach only those doctrines accepted by all denominations. Besides this the convention will correlate the work of religious instruction in the church, the Sunday school, the home and in all the various religious organizations.

TRIES TO BUY VOTES CHEAP

Ohio Politician Indicted for Offering Election Judges \$10 for Hundred Ballots.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 10.—The grand jury today returned an indictment against Thomas Doreen, a well known local democratic politician.

It is alleged that Doreen offered J. W. Fritts and Harry Branigan, election judges, \$10 a piece for 100 votes for Charles Saleen, democratic candidate for county clerk, and \$20 for 200 votes.

NO EXTRADITION REQUIRED

French Murder Suspects Sent Home by Immigration Authorities as Undesirable Persons.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The immigration authorities today decided that Henry Thibault and Marie Piatto should be sent back to France as undesirable immigrants.

STANLEY ACCEPTS AFTER ALL

Withdraws Refusal to Join Dawes Commission, Announced on Monday.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 10.—Ex-Governor W. E. Stanley today decided to take the place on the Dawes Indian commission, after all.

CONSTABLE IS IN CHARGE

Depositor in a Turf Investment Company Seizes Property on an Attachment.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 10.—The office fixtures and all visible assets of the John J. Ryan Turf Investment company were attached today by a constable of Justice Kleiber's court.

The attachment is the result of a suit brought by Miss Mable Quinn for \$200, which she alleges, she gave to the Ryan company for investment, and which the company refused to return on demand.

Ryan's offices were crowded all morning with investors.

In November notice was given out by the company that no money invested could be withdrawn without first giving the company thirty days' notice.

Representatives of the company declare the company is solvent and that all dividends about 5 per cent a week, will be paid as heretofore, and withdrawals will be permitted under the rules of the company. A constable is in charge of the attached property.

Later the attachment was lifted, a bond for double that amount being fixed by the investment company. The offices of the Ryan company are filled with investors withdrawing their funds, and there was a similar condition of affairs at the headquarters of other like investment companies here.

SETTLING ON A COLLECTOR

Senator Millard Has Papers of Cadet Taylor and Others Under Consideration.

MOVING FOR PUBLIC LAND COMMISSION

Senator Warren and Delegate Flynn Have Resolutions Along the Line Suggested by President in His Message.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Millard today took under consideration the papers in the case of Cadet Taylor, collector of customs at Omaha, together with those of other applicants for the position. The senator says he expects to dispose of this case before the end of the month.

There is a possibility that Omaha may be named by the commissioner of Indian affairs as a point of delivery for druggists' supplies furnished to Indians by the Indian office. Senator Millard is working to secure such designation and has hope of ultimate success.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair Wednesday and Thursday.

Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

Hour. Deg. Hour. Deg.

5 a. m. 33 1 p. m. 40

6 a. m. 33 2 p. m. 43

7 a. m. 32 3 p. m. 43

8 a. m. 32 4 p. m. 42

9 a. m. 33 5 p. m. 41

10 a. m. 34 6 p. m. 39

11 a. m. 34 7 p. m. 34

12 m. 38 8 p. m. 38

9 p. m. 37

TO OPERATE FROM ST. LOUIS

Plan of Conductors and Trainmen in Effort for Wage Concessions.

The Western Association of General Conductors of the Order of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen has decided to operate entirely from St. Louis as a basis in its movement to secure wage and other concessions from the fifty-two roads embraced by the organization.

The association is greatly pleased with the results secured from conferences with the four Gould lines at St. Louis, and now will take the matter up with the Wabash railroad before beginning in other places in the association territory. Information that this plan had been adopted reached headquarters of the general committees yesterday morning.

By securing the concessions from the Wabash the association will then have won away all five lines having headquarters in St. Louis. That city is the center of the movement and the working center of the association, and by having it solid, there will be a firm basis from which to spread the work over the other forty-seven roads.

A feature of this plan will be the doing away with the forty-seven other conferences which it is thought would be necessary. It is now schemed to take the five St. Louis roads as a basis and simply submit the results obtained there to the general managers elsewhere, and invite them to comply similarly. Thus after the Wabash matter is settled the rest will be but a matter of form and time. The general committee of the Wabash will begin with the general manager of that road Friday morning next.

Although they will not now be needed for a conference and discussion, the members of the general committees of the Elkhorn and Union Pacific lines will nevertheless be assembled as soon as the Wabash affair is completed, for no business can be done without a full attendance.

WOMAN DRINKS CARBOLIC ACID

Family Quarrel Ends Up With Wife Attempting to End Her Life.

Mrs. Anna Smith, wife of Louis Smith, living at 921 Pacific street, attempted to commit suicide yesterday evening shortly before 7 o'clock by drinking the carbolic acid from a medicine vial. Dr. Smith, from across Pacific street, and Police Detectives Hahn, Mick and Vance attended the woman and after three and a half hours pronounced her out of immediate danger.

Her face and hands are badly scorched, but she is conscious from the throat to the stomach is swollen from the acid and there is danger that it may close completely, preventing the taking of food. Mrs. Smith will be in grave danger for several days.

The sufferer is about 30 years old and the husband is an itinerant optician. There are three other families living in the same house. It is said that relations have been strained between the couple for some time. Yesterday evening they quarreled violently. Mrs. Smith is said to have taken the bottle of acid from a pocket and swallowed the contents in the presence of her husband.

CHIEF SUGGESTS TWO LAWS

Both Taken From Statutes of California and Considered Applicable Here.

Chief of Police Donahue has received copies of two laws of California from Attorney L. E. Hatfield of Sacramento which are favorable and will place in the hands of one of the Douglas county representatives for introduction into the legislature at Lincoln. One of the acts is known as the "Monday law" and it provides that all prisoners serving penal sentences shall be discharged from prison on Monday. The other prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors other than for money.

"The last act should be passed for Omaha's sake," said the chief. "It will do away with thieves pawing plunder with saloons and drinks and will do much to curb the pawing of jewelry taken by husbands from their wives."

STATUS OF THE REVENUE BILL

Omaha Committee Reports Matters in Nebulous Condition at Lincoln.

Lorenz Crouse, Mel Uhl and W. G. Evers returned last night from Lincoln where they went as a special committee of the committee of ten to ascertain the exact conditions surrounding the proposed revenue law. Mr. Uhl said:

"It is impossible to tell anything about the proposed revenue bill, as the committee has returned with no conclusion and everything that may be said would be guess work. Sentiment in favor of house roll No. 371, the Omaha charter amendment, is growing, and I believe that it will pass. The people down there seem to realize that there is nothing in it to hurt the counties of the state and sentiment in its favor is rapidly growing."

WOULD STOP CONVICT LABOR

Broom Makers Seek to Restrict Michigan Authorities Hiring Criminals Out.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 10.—National Broom Makers' union No. 2, the Wabash Broom company and the Vanduran Broom company of Grand Rapids are seeking an injunction to restrain the state authorities from carrying out a contract recently made with the Illinois Broom company to hire out convicts to manufacture brooms at 50 cents a day.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN VESSELS

Feb. 10.

At New York—Arrived: Finland, from Antwerp. Sailed: Pomeranian, for Glasgow.

At Liverpool—Arrived: Rhydland, from Philadelphia. Sailed: Rhydland, for New York.

At Philadelphia—Passed: Patrician, from New York for Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg.

At Madeira—Arrived: Auguste Victoria, from New York for Madeira, Genoa, etc.

At Antwerp—Arrived: Kroonland, from New York, via Southampton.

At Naples—Sailed: Palatia, for New York.

BIG LOBBY ON HAND

Railroads Making a Supreme Effort to Avoid Paying Their City Taxes.

EX-GOVERNOR CROUSE ON SITUATION

Republican Legislature Owe It to the Party to Do Justice by City.

REVENUE COMMITTEE HAS THE BILL

Organization of Committee Indicates Measure May Be Buried.

MINTOSH STATES ISSUE PLAINLY

Lieutenant Governor McElilton Makes Plain His Position on the Gilbert Water Works Bill.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—Ex-Governor Crouse, who with Mel Uhl and others from Omaha, appeared at the capitol today in the interest of H. R. 371, was much impressed with the power and scope of the railroad lobby being maintained here for the defeat of this and any other bill contemplating fairness in the matter of taxation or any other matter affecting the railroads' interests.

"The railroads have employed the most unfair means of defeating this bill, which is an generally demanded and so greatly needed in Omaha," said the ex-governor. "They are maintaining a large and expensive lobby here at the state capitol for this sinister purpose and are using every possible method to hoodwink and deceive members of the legislature who are to act on this bill. Their arguments are false and many of them condemn themselves on their very faces. No intelligent member ought to hesitate or waver for one minute in rallying to the support of this bill, for it contemplates nothing but justice and fairness."

Mr. Crouse hoped this legislature, so overwhelmingly republican, would see to it that this bill was not defeated. It was plain from his talk that he apprehended serious results if the republicans did not pass the bill which they have in their power to do.

Mr. Uhl talked with members of the house and senate revenue committees about the bill. He returned to Omaha this afternoon, preferring not to have his statements as to what he had learned here divulged, for the good of the bill.

Keeping Measure Buried.

It is evident that the railroads' play now is to prevent this measure, which contemplates the taxation of the railroads' terminals at what they should pay, from leaving the committee on revenue in the house, where it has been all this time. Warner of Lancaster is chairman of this committee and he is a generally recognized railroad man. When presented for a statement as to his intentions regarding the bill Warner gave the excuse that it would be submitted and considered when the other bills of this character, among them the regular revenue bill, are taken up. But this is very vague and has no meaning to the actual friends of the bill, except to show all too plainly that Mr. Warner and the other railroad members of the committee do not intend to let the bill get past them if they can help it.

The indications are that the railroads will out, too, at this game, since it appears that the railroads have the majority of this committee. As it would require a two-thirds vote of the house to take the bill out of the committee's hands, success by way of that course is despaired of for obvious reasons.

Some one has suggested the wisdom of having the bill amended so as to specify that all municipalities in the state, not only Omaha, shall have the right to levy a direct assessment on the railroads. But friends of the bill take little stock in this. As has been suggested, opponents of the bill would then say, "Well, in such and such towns there are no terminals and hence this bill contemplates something that is neither necessary or practicable." The correct answer to this is that the bill would then say, "Well, in such and such towns there are no terminals and hence this bill contemplates something that is neither necessary or practicable." The correct answer to this is that the bill would then say, "Well, in such and such towns there are no terminals and hence this bill contemplates something that is neither necessary or practicable." The correct answer to this is that the bill would then say, "Well, in such and such towns there are no terminals and hence this bill contemplates something that is neither necessary or practicable." The correct answer to this is that the bill would then say, "Well, in such and such towns there are no terminals and hence this bill contemplates something