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to bring any of these deals to a close the Burt county deal was exposed and abruptly Nellie's career as a buyer of county bonds terminated, nor has it since been revived.

As to Stuefer having had previous knowledge that the Burt county bonds were to be issued, all the evidence showed he had sufficient information and could have had the deal. The Burt county supervisors testified that he never made a proposition to the board. It was conclusively shown that the chairman of the board had twice written Stuefer asking how much he would bid for the bonds and that the letters evidently were ignored.

Not for Howell. Senator H. B. Howell may have strong desires of entering the city campaign in Omaha as a republican candidate for mayor, as he is in fact said to have, but some of his colleagues from Douglas county are not disposed to view with much complacency his high aspirations. Two members of the delegation were asked today what they thought of Howell's chances. Their answers were very substantially the same. They were not favorable. One said: "I understand that Howell claims to have the delegation from me in a little worse, and is much impressed with his possibilities, but for my part I am unable to see where he has the least chance. I don't believe he would get started in the primaries. I know he could not be nominated."

The sitting committee is again wrestling with the telephone question. Before the committee is the substitute bill by Howell for his telephone rate bill. The fate of the bill is uncertain. Hall of Douglas will not support it. Today he said: "The substitute bill is just like the first except that possible it is a little worse, and it takes away from the council that power which now belongs to it. I am against the bill for that reason. The present city charter gives to the council the power that the bill would put in the hands of the legislature, and if the council will not do its duty, I believe it is better to let the legislature make the change, and I am opposed to the legislature interfering in anyway."

Chairman Warner of the claims committee is in favor of a court of claims for the state of Nebraska. Warner's experience as a member of this committee has brought about the idea, and were it not so late in the season he would introduce a bill to that effect. During the last few days this committee has been at work on 334 different claims, and the committee will probably about one week in which to investigate and make a report on each item. "I am certainly in favor of a court of claims," Senator Warner said, "and I would like to see such a court established. It should be fashioned along the lines of the United States court of claims, and I believe it would result in benefit to the state and to claimants. This court should consist of say three members, and should hold regular meetings at which the claimants could state their cases. Then the claims allowed by the court should be paid by money appropriated by the legislature. It would save much time of the legislators and would be justice to all men. "It is impossible for a committee to carefully pass upon the large number of claims usually before it in one week. If any investigation has to be set on foot it cannot be done. As a result many claims go over from year to year and in every case a claimant has to wait two years for a settlement because there is no way to sue the state."

PASS APPROPRIATION BILLS House Disposes of These Along with Many Other Measures. (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 31.—(Special.)—Pursuant to a concurrent resolution from the senate, the house voted for conference of the committees on constitutional amendments on the measure of that character pending in the two houses. The old fight was resumed on allowing the claim of the State Journal company of \$480 for 100 blue books, and of Harry Porter, \$487.50, for 500 blue books. The Journal's claim was cut to \$225 and Porter's entire bill allowed. The conference committee on senate amendments to the revenue bill reported, that these house provisions were agreed to: Rate of interest on tax certificates 15 per cent. Personal property on which taxes are due to become delinquent December 1. To assess corporations on the value and not "full" value of their franchises and tangible property. The general state tax to be 5 mills. Accident insurance companies to be taxed on their gross earnings instead of 2 per cent thereof. The house voted to have the amendments printed before acting on the report. These bills were passed: H. R. 574, the salaries appropriation bill,

ducks, etc., from a blind or boat on any lake or river in the state. E. F. 13, prohibiting the sale of adulterated food in the state, was passed by the following vote: Yes—Alden, Cox, Day, Fries, Giffin, Hall (Burt) Harrison, Hastings, Jennings, Marshall, Meredith, Pemberton, Reynolds, Sheldon, Sloan, Wall, Warner, Way. No—Anderson, Bagholt, Brady, Brown, Hall (Douglas), Hasty, Hedge, Norris, O'Neill, Saunders, Umstead, Young. Giffin moved that S. F. Krier, A. H. Donelson and R. G. Walsh be allowed extra time at 1:50 a night for work on the bill. The two former want pay for twenty-eight nights and the latter for fifteen nights. The question was referred to the committee on accounts and expenditures.

Wall of Sherman moved that all employes be paid from the first day of the session. This was referred to the committee on accounts and expenditures. These senators were appointed a committee to confer with the house committee on the senate amendments to the revenue bill. Brown, Pemberton, Anderson, and the whole with Bagholt of Lancaster in the chair. The committee made the following report: S. F. 225, providing for voting machines. Indefinitely postponed.

Afternoon Session. The following bills were passed: S. F. 254, enabling mutual benefit associations to issue insurance policies to return their risks in other mutual reserve life companies. S. F. 212, providing that insurance companies before doing business in the state shall file statements with auditor. S. F. 196, compelling railroad companies to sell 1,000-mile tickets to a party and allowing any member of the family of the purchaser to use it. Wall moved to reconsider H. R. 134, providing for the compensation of county superintendents, which was not opposed. The motion carried and the bill passed by a vote of 23 to 7. H. R. 41, providing for the gathering, compilation and publishing of agricultural and industrial statistics, was placed on general file. The senate went into committee of the whole, with Brady in the chair. The discussion of H. R. 239, to extend corporate limits of cities and villages, was resumed. Recommended for passage. S. F. 235, to abolish capital punishment. Wall moved that the bill be processed for a third reading. Hastings moved as a substitute, that it be indefinitely postponed. After a lengthy debate the bill was indefinitely postponed.

EXTEND MONROE DOCTRINE (Continued from First Page.)

upon which Europe has not laid violent hands. It is divided into two nations, of which only one has more than 5,000,000. Must Extend Monroe Doctrine. Under these conditions it is certain that the great powers of Europe would have stretched their arms and later have placed the United States under a pacemaker. The only European movement within South America must be not to get any more, but to withdraw gradually from what it has. The time seems to be approaching when we must consider whether the Monroe doctrine is a limit of our policy, or a principle of our policy. Shall it be extended to include the entire continent, or shall it be limited to the continent of North America? Shall it prohibit the employment of force to back more voluntary and adventurous enterprise, where all the hazards were understood, where all the risks were discounted in the excess charges?

In the progress of mankind and in the course of the world's history, it is certain that the United States shall hold more intimate and responsible relations with the nations of South America. We shall not encourage or shield them in the disregard of just obligations, and we shall protect them against arbitrary and oppressive actions and against dangerous menace. If Europe wants to extend its empire and invest some of its surplus capital in South America it knows the conditions and must accept them. The United States will not permit political extension under cover of commercial competition. The true commercial like the natural political relations of South America are with the United States. We want no territorial acquisition, but we want a true sisterhood of American republics. The Panama canal will promote it. The international railway between the United States and South America must feel that while we will permit no similar designs on our own, and it must be taught in the spirit of reciprocal respect for the future of its security and ours lie in closer trade relations with us, less dealings with Europe with the United States with all its sympathy and fraternity.

HOLDUP MEN BOUND OVER (From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, March 31.—(Special.)—Capital punishment was the inspiration that furnished the senate this afternoon with outlaws of order. The discussion was on S. F. 229, by Wall of Sherman, to abolish capital punishment. From the time Senator Wall opened the argument in favor of his bill until a motion was carried to indefinitely postpone the bill the gallery and lobby were crowded with interested listeners even though many senatorial seats were vacant. Senator Wall made a strong plea for his bill, and in addition to his own eloquence he added much from the pen of Ingersoll. No more eloquent was he, however, in favor of the bill than was O'Neill, Hasty and Jennings, Sloan Pemberton and Warner.

S. F. 83, the pure food bill, was passed. A great fight was made on this bill in committee of the whole, because it was stated that its operation would work a hardship on state manufacturers of foods and would build up and in the interest of foreign wholesalers. The bill provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture or sell any article of food that is adulterated and misbranded; it requires declaration to label the package with a statement of the ingredients; the seller of any article of food is required to furnish at the retail price to the food commission for analysis a sample of the food sold. The punishment for violation of the act is a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 or thirty days in jail, or both. Standing committees of the senate reported the following bills for general file: H. R. 423, allowing county boards in case of emergency to let contracts for bridge repairing without advertising for bids. S. F. 262, a joint resolution, providing for an amendment to the constitution that city and county governments may be merged upon the majority vote of the county and city. S. F. 264, an amendment to the constitution that three-fifths of the legislature may fix the compensation of supreme and district court judges, not to be changed in four years. S. F. 261, an amendment to the constitution, that members of the legislature shall serve four years; at the general election of 1904 one-half the number of members, as near as may be, to be appointed by the governor, and the remainder for two years and the remainder for four years, and biennially thereafter, one-half as near as may be shall be elected for four years. H. R. 280, to prohibit the shooting of

TREATY FINALLY RATIFIED

Cuban and American Signatories Affixed to Reciprocity Agreement. PRESIDENT'S HOUSE ON WHEELS READY. Lon Bryson is Appointed to Fill Vacancy in Davenport Postoffice Before Western Trip Commences Today.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Cuban reciprocity treaty was finally ratified at the State department today by Secretary Hay and Senator Quesada. There was little formality about the exchange. One copy of the treaty served and this was delivered to the Cuban minister. In addition Secretary Hay and the Cuban minister signed a protocol reciting the act of the exchange. The copy of the treaty signed today will be sent to Cuba and when the other copy bearing President Palma's signature is received here it will be placed on file in the State department. The next step is in order for the proclamation of the treaty, but this cannot be done until the house of representatives act on it.

President's House on Wheels. The special train on which the president will leave here tomorrow for his western trip will be furnished by the Pennsylvania railroad and will be one specially decorated and equipped for the trip. It will consist of six cars, manned by a picked crew, with Conductor William H. Johnson, who has been with the president on many trips, in charge. Spencer Murray will be in charge of the president's car, which will be the private parlor car. It has a parlor and observation compartments, three state sleeping rooms, a dining room, two steeper sections, a kitchen and sleeping section for servants. The other cars of the train will be Texas, a compartment sleeper; Senegal, a section sleeper; St. James, a dining car; Atlantic, a combination buffet and baggage car; and a regular baggage car. The trip will continue from April 1 until June 5—nine weeks and three days. During that time the president will travel about 14,000 miles.

John Burroughs, the poet naturalist of New York, arrived here today. He will accompany President Roosevelt until he arrives at St. Louis, making the tour of the Yellowstone Park with him. From St. Louis Mr. Burroughs will return to New York. President Nicholas, president of Columbia university will join the party at St. Louis and will be the president's guest until he arrives in California. When that state is reached the president will be joined by Benjamin Wheeler, president of the University of California, who will accompany him through the state.

Ready to Change Five Million.

Up to the hour of closing the department tonight the secretary of the treasury had received offers of 3 and 4 per cent bonds in exchange for 2 per cent consols amounting to \$5,617,000. Wash Red Cross Reorganized. A number of prominent people who have been identified with the Red Cross organization have united in making representations to John W. Foster, concerning that organization that express the opinion that the financial arrangements of the organization need reorganization in order to inspire the confidence of the public. They also indorse "the efforts now being made by some of the prominent members of the Red Cross in Washington to thoroughly reorganize the organization and to provide for a careful and business-like administration of its finances." Among the signatories are: Bishop Henry C. Potter, Spencer Trask, Robert C. Ogden and Gustave H. Schwab.

Big Gun Shots Improve.

Ever since the maneuvers in the Caribbean began last winter the Navy department has been watching the big gun work on American ships and record sheets in the department show exactly the results obtained from every shot fired in target practice. When the maneuvers began the practice was not good, because of the large amount of green material in the crews. But the reports show a steady increase in accuracy. Lieutenant commander Wissinger was serving in the Philippines and brought a report of extraordinary accuracy by Massachusetts with the big turret guns, and now comes a report from the little battleship Texas that is at least satisfactory. This shows that firing at 1,600 yards at a target measuring twenty-one by twenty feet high one exactly made 109 per cent of hits, another 70 per cent and many 50 per cent.

Germana Smoke Up Much.

Statistics of the tobacco industry in Germany for last year show the total consumption to have been 80,102 metric tons and the quantity of native tobacco grown 24,900 metric tons. The imports for that year aggregated \$31,500,000 and the exports \$1,255,000.

Bigelow Succeeds Ewell.

E. E. Ewell, assistant chief of the bureau of agricultural research, department of Agriculture, has resigned. Dr. D. H. Bigelow, who has been in charge of the food laboratory of the bureau, has been appointed his successor.

Neglected Letters Fire Officer.

The president today approved the findings of the court-martial dismissing from the service First Lieutenant Neil A. Campbell, Twenty-first Infantry, who was tried on charges of disobedience of orders. He was serving in the Philippines and some errors were found in his accounts as commissary officer. General Weston wrote, asking him to correct the mistakes and he paid no attention to the letters. The matter was brought to the attention of the secretary of war and orders were issued directing him to reply to the commissary general, and it was this order that he disobeyed. It was found that he had never opened the letter regarding his accounts.

Cabinet Meeting is Brief.

Today's cabinet meeting was the last that will be held nearly ten weeks. President Roosevelt will leave the city tomorrow to be absent until June 5. The meeting today was brief, the time being taken up largely in a discussion of the president's itinerary and the decision of some minor departmental matters.

Postmaster for Davenport.

The president has appointed the following postmasters: Illinois, Mount Sterling, John F. Regan; West Springs, W. A. Collins; Iowa, Davenport, Lon Bryson. Wayne MacVeagh for Hague.

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Explosion in a Blast Furnace Deal Death and Disaster. WORKMEN ARE HORRIBLY DISFIGURED. Six Die in Molten Metal and Fourteen Others Are Seriously Injured in Worst Accident of History.

PITTSBURGH, March 31.—An accident at furnaces 1 of the Edgar Thomson plant of the Carnegie Steel company at Braddock today is expected to prove one of the worst in the history of the plant. Twenty men were injured, six of whom are dead and ten are in the hospital and are not expected to recover. The dead: JOHN SMITH, JOHN BOLOU, ANDREW BRABAE, JOSEPH PELAR, JOHN SKOTAK, JOHN PELAR. The seriously injured are: George Kodak, Michael Stevecko, Michael Skunder, Joseph Bobon, Andrew Berrits, Frank Sebula, Joseph Bobon, J. Sibula, Michael Miller, Joseph Bubelena.

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Corporal is Killed and Three Other Soldiers Injured When Cannon Turns Over. WASHINGTON, March 31.—The overturning of a heavy piece of artillery yesterday in the drill hall at Fort Myer, Va., during the regular drill of the Fourth battery of field artillery caused the death of a corporal and the injury of three other soldiers. The dead: CORPORAL CHARLES J. SLAVIN, aged 25 years, of Washington. The injured: Frank W. Reilly of England, 24 years old; contusion and abrasion of right groin. Elmer Wehu, Baltimore, 26 years old; slight contusion of the back and neck. Matthew E. Duncan, Brooklyn, 29 years; both legs bruised.

On the timber case with him were Reilly and Marcus Shores. The former was severely, though not fatally injured, while Shores escaped all injury. On the axle seats of the overturned piece were Elmer Wehu and Jesse Woods. The latter escaped injury, but Wehu was thrown beneath the axle of the overturned gun, receiving injuries to his neck. Duncan, who also occupied a seat on the carriage, was injured, but not seriously. The Fourth battery will drill in a few days before a board of army officers in the competition for the Madison Square Garden tournament. A report of the accident was made to the War department.

DEATH RECORD.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 31.—H. W. Corbett, ex-banker and former United States senator from this state, died today at his home in this city from heart trouble, aged 76 years. While his death was sudden it was not entirely unexpected. He had been in poor health for some time. Only yesterday Mr. Corbett, realizing that his strength was falling, resigned as president of the Lewis and Clark exposition. Mr. Corbett was born in Portland fifty-four years, coming to New York in 1849. He was United States senator from this state from 1867 to 1873. His fortune is estimated at about \$5,000,000.

WILL PROBE GRAIN BUYING

Interstate Commerce Commission Declines on Searching Investigation at Chicago. CHICAGO, March 31.—It is the purpose of the Interstate Commerce commission to make a searching investigation into the method of handling and transporting grain on both western and eastern railroads. It has been claimed that fraudulent abuses exist and that matters have been so arranged that practically one buyer has a monopoly over one line of railroad.

LONG RETURNS HOME WELL

Former Naval Secretary Has Quite Recovered from Recent Illness. HINGHAM, Mass., March 31.—Former Secretary of the Navy John D. Long, who has been an inmate of St. Margaret's infirmary in Boston, returned to his home today accompanied by Mrs. Long and Dr. Spaulding. He seemed to be in excellent health and spirits.

Funeral of John Friedrich.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—The funeral service over the body of John, son of Hon. M. L. Friedrich, at their farm residence, west of Plattsmouth, was very largely attended this afternoon. Deceased was only 19 years of age, and had not been sick very long. Interment was in Glendale cemetery.

BEATRICE, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—Mrs. Walter Reed, aged 19 years, died Sunday night at her home near Blue Springs. She leaves no family except her bereaved husband. The funeral services were held at La Belle Street Methodist Episcopal church at 2:30 p. m. today, the interment being in Evergreen home cemetery.

BEATRICE, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—Mrs. E. A. Gamble, aged 81 years, died at her home in this city last evening after a prolonged illness. She leaves no family except her husband. The funeral services will occur tomorrow from the Christian church at 2:30.

DOPED WHISKY SLAYS ONE

Colorado Man Dies and Two Companions Are Now Seriously Ill. GREELEY, Colo., March 31.—As the result of drinking poisoned whisky last evening L. T. Briscoe, an old resident of Greeley, is dead; John Yates is lying at death's door and Al Grossnickel is in a serious condition. Magnus Olsson, who furnished the whisky, is missing.

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BOYD'S MATINEE TODAY-TONIGHT Hoyt's Best Comedy "A TRIP TO CHINATOWN" Prices—Matinee, 25c, 50c; night, 50c, 75c, \$1.00. Friday and Saturday, Mat. and Night.

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Lecture on CHRISTIAN SCIENCE BOYD'S THEATER Thursday Evening, April 2nd, at 8 o'clock, by Carol Norton, C. S. D. of New York. Member Christian Science Board of Lectureship of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston. Admission free.

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