

LAWMAKERS IN FIGHT

Noisy Battle Precipitated in Illinois House Between Rival Traction Factions.

SPEAKER REFUSES TO ALLOW ROLL CALL

Enraged Members Struggle to Drag Presiding Officer from His Chair.

ONE PARTY LEAVES CHAMBER IN UPROAR

Temporary Organization is Made and Majority Have Their Way.

CHAIRMAN AFTERWARDS CRIES BRIBERY

Explains Extraordinary Action by Saying Cash Was Offered Him to Let Bill Chicago Favor Go Through.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 23.—Slugging and rolling over each other, across the speaker's platform, at the feet of a score of women gowns, the members of the Illinois legislature today surprised the wildest scenes of the Austrian Reichstag. Tonight charges by the speaker of the house, Isaac Miller, that attempts had been made to bribe him were formally made as an explanation for the extraordinary actions on his part that precipitated the riot.

Chicago street car franchises, more valuable than gold mines, were directly at stake, the federal court receivership proceedings against the Union Traction company having brought the matter to a sudden issue. The federal receivership was held by many to indicate an intention by the company to fight out a claim to ninety-nine-year franchises instead of negotiating with the city council for a renewal on a twenty-year basis, with a municipal ownership option on the part of the city.

The stormiest time ever experienced in the Illinois legislature began almost without warning in a whirlwind of wild disorder, which arose today in the house of representatives over rival traction measures, or so-called municipal ownership bills.

Chicago Favors Mueller Bill. The municipal ownership fight now in progress here is the most interesting which the state capital has witnessed in many years. Chicagoans are divided into two camps, the Mueller bill, and Mayor Harrison, Graeme Stewart, the recently defeated candidate for Chicago's mayorally chair; John M. Harlan and others of influence have been several days working for it.

The Lindley bill, which municipal ownership measure favored by an active minority, has however, been forced ahead. Yesterday the speaker arbitrarily refused a roll call on a motion to postpone consideration of the Lindley bill, although a majority of the house demanded the roll call.

The postponement motion was declared carried, amid the protest of the majority. Attempt to Elect Speaker. Today Speaker Miller ordered the Lindley measure advanced to a third reading, and a tumult of voices rose in opposition, during which the attempt was made to pull the speaker from his chair.

It was 11:10 when the Lindley bill was announced that the Lindley Municipal Ownership bill was a special order. The bill was then read. Mr. Lindley was recognized and offered a number of amendments.

Speaker Miller then ordered the amendments read. The first was read, but when the speaker refused to put the question of its adoption to a viva voce vote the house was thrown into disorder. A large number of the members were on their feet, some of them standing on chairs and a few on their desks, demanding a roll call.

The amendment is adopted," said Speaker Miller, bringing down his gavel. Calls Speaker a Liar. "You are a liar!" retorted Mr. Allen. Above the din Mr. Sherman, as he seized his "kitchen chair" and placed it on his desk in front of him, could be heard shouting: "The speaker ignores the rules of the house. The chair is not in order."

The second and third amendments were similarly put and declared carried. By this time a perfect pandemonium prevailed. Many members had setled bill books and were pounding their desks, while Mr. Cummings, from his seat in the front row on the democratic side, was vigorously wielding a board.

When the reading of the fifth amendment was completed personal violence against the speaker was threatened. A number of women were sitting on the couch on the speaker's platform.

"Will the ladies please move out from behind!" shouted Mr. Allen. "Get them out," shouted Mr. Sherman. "Get the ladies out! Don't set the crowd." In the uproar Mr. Lindley was heard to move the question about a speaker at this moment, and that there is a majority here, and I therefore move that Hon. Mr. Allen be made speaker pro tem of this house.

Amid great confusion, Mr. Murray put the motion and it was carried. Mr. Allen was hurried to the chair, escorted by Beitler, Trautman, Christian, Tice and others. Speaker Miller had carried the gavel to his room and there was a momentary embarrassment, owing to the absence of this emblem of authority. Mr. Schlegel, however, rose to the emergency and brought up the rung of a disabled chair and handed it to Mr. Allen.

The speaker was surrounded by a large number of members, both democrats and republicans. He at once made an attempt to restore order and requested the members to resume their seats.

Refuse Senate's Message. In the midst of the uproar a message from the senate was received and before the clerk knew just what was the matter he had read the message. It was impossible to hear him and some organization man

British Taxes are Reduced. Import on incomes Cut Down and Grain Duty Abolished.

LONDON, April 23.—The budget, which was introduced in the House of Commons today, shows an estimated expenditure for 1904 of £77,700,000. The chancellor of the exchequer, Mr. Ritchie, fixed the national debt at £125,000,000, of which £31,500,000 was to be paid on the sinking fund. The estimate for the existing budget of taxation is £70,000,000, an annual surplus of £7,000,000.

Mr. Ritchie's proposals include: The abolition of the duty on the taxes on sugar and coal are exchanged. Four pence is taken off the income tax. The duty on tea, which the trade expected would be reduced, is not changed.

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Lord Roberts Special Commissioner. LONDON, April 23.—According to the St. James Gazette the government is considering appointing Field Marshal Roberts as special commissioner to represent Great Britain at the St. Louis exposition.

WIPES OUT BRITISH FORCE

Mad Mullah Practically exterminates Flying Column in Somaliland.

COLONEL PUSHES TOO FAR FROM BASE

Commander and Nine Officers Killed—Only Forty Natives Out of Two Hundred and Twenty Escape Alive.

ADEN, Arabia, April 23.—The British transport fleet arrived here today from the Gulf. The British force of 220 men was killed recently in an engagement with the Somalises. The officers of the expedition were: Major G. Ender, William J. Mahannah, West Point, regulars, Ferdinand A. Nevis, August Schwedhelm; substitutes, William Nevis, Mrs. Schwedhelm, Wood River, regulars, James Blake, James P. Brown, Harry Chapman, Truman, regulars, George G. McGlasson, substitutes, Dr. A. B. Matie Brown, Jared S. Chapman, Villa A. Taylor, Anna McGlasson Iowa—Amea, regular, William S. Hoon; substitute, Mrs. Bessie Hoon, India, regular, William D. Ewing, Carroll, regular, Schmitt, Jr., substitute, Thomas Schmitt, Saint Charles, regular, Albert H. Buchanan; substitute, Hattie Buchanan.

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LEE RETURNS TO FACE JURY

Asserts He Gave Evidence on Which Senators Were Indicted.

ST. LOUIS, April 23.—Suffering physically and weary and worn from fatigue, Lieutenant Governor John A. Lee, who left Kansas City Thursday returned to St. Louis tonight, accompanied by his wife.

I have not been a fugitive from justice and have had no idea of being one. I am ready to go to the witness stand and tell all I know. I needed rest and thought a trip to Chicago would be the best way to get it.

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WEDDING MAY BE DELAYED

Vanderbilt Likely to Experience Some Annoyance in Securing License to Marry.

LONDON, April 23.—William K. Vanderbilt has returned to Paris. His hurried visit to London was connected with procuring a special marriage license.

There is much discussion as to whether a license could be issued under the circumstances. It was said that the ecclesiastical court could not refuse, whatever its feelings toward divorced persons, but it was added that it could delay matters, probably a fortnight, by requiring the production of documents which would have to be obtained from America. At the archbishop of Canterbury's office it was said that the archbishop has the undoubted right to refuse to issue a license.

No application, however, has yet been received from Mr. Vanderbilt. For an ordinary license one of the parties must live in any parish here for three weeks and have the banns read on three successive Sundays. The French formalities require a residence of six months.

EDWARD ARRIVES IN ITALY

NAPLES, April 23.—King Edward VII arrived here today and after visiting the port of Portugal on her yacht and receiving the German crown prince and his brother and the crown prince of Portugal, landed, amid the plaudits of thousands.

LOUBET LEAVES ALGIERS

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BOODLE JURY DECIDES FAST

Takes Fifteen Minutes to Find Verdict in St. Louis Case.

ST. LOUIS, April 23.—Louis Decker was tried today for perjury in connection with the Suburban railway investigation. It took the jury just fifteen minutes to find a verdict which will be read tomorrow.

CARNegie AIDS TUSKEGEE

Gives Negro Institute \$600,000 on Condition that Washington is Cared For.

NEW YORK, April 23.—Andrew Carnegie has given \$600,000 to the Tuskegee institute, with the sole provision that proper provision be made for Booker T. Washington and his wife.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Long List of Rural Free Delivery Carriers Named for Nebraska Routes.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, April 23.—(Special.)—These rural letter carriers were appointed today: Nebraska—Birn Creek, regular, Hansford Brooks; substitute, William P. Brooks; St. Paul regular, Samuel W. Jackson; William S. Potts, Edward E. Westcott; substitute, Oscar Berry, M. Walker, Frank Mahan, Silver Creek, regular, John N. Haynes; substitute, J. W. Riddle, Spring Ranch, regular, J. T. Kemp; substitute, John Cunningham, Strong, regular, Eugene L. Cook; substitute, Richard Treming, Sutton, regular, James E. Marsh; substitute, A. F. Marsh, Swanton, regular, George H. Mumby; substitute, wife of G. H. Mumby, Tobias, regulars, Arthur Brachner, John P. Endorf, Harry Mahannah, regulars, Fred W. Ender, William J. Mahannah, West Point, regulars, Ferdinand A. Nevis, August Schwedhelm; substitutes, William Nevis, Mrs. Schwedhelm, Wood River, regulars, James Blake, James P. Brown, Harry Chapman, Truman, regulars, George G. McGlasson, substitutes, Dr. A. B. Matie Brown, Jared S. Chapman, Villa A. Taylor, Anna McGlasson Iowa—Amea, regular, William S. Hoon; substitute, Mrs. Bessie Hoon, India, regular, William D. Ewing, Carroll, regular, Schmitt, Jr., substitute, Thomas Schmitt, Saint Charles, regular, Albert H. Buchanan; substitute, Hattie Buchanan.

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WRECK MAIMS NEBRASKANS

Coal Car Runs Away in Wyoming and Piles Union Pacific Train.

EVANSTON, Wyo., April 23.—A runaway car, loaded with coal, today crashed into the eastbound fast mail train No. 102 on the Union Pacific twenty miles west of Evanston. Two trainmen and several passengers were more or less hurt.

The most serious injured: George Baker, engineer, Evanston, back sprained, cut and bruised about body; condition serious.

W. H. Chapman, engineer, Evanston, head and body cut and bruised. Clara Maggaria, Santa Clara, Cal., cut and bruised.

Andrew Fisher and wife, Santa Clara, Cal. Mrs. J. M. Baker, Fortoria, O., scalp wound.

Edris Ruch, Watson, Mo., cut and bruised. Gladis Monweiler, Utica, Neb., cut about face.

Mrs. George Harris, Utica, Neb., cut and bruised.

The collision occurred on a sharp curve, the shock being terrific. The two engines on the passenger train were completely wrecked, while the steel coal car was twisted into an unrecognizable mass. Traffic was delayed for seven hours.

NEBRASKA WOMAN ELECTED

Women's Missionary Society Appoints Mrs. Merrill State Vice President.

MILWAUKEE, April 23.—Mrs. J. E. Scott of Evanston, Ill., was unanimously elected president of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the west today at the annual convention in the Baptist Tabernacle church.

The other officers elected were: Vice president, Mrs. L. E. Stillman, Dayton, O.; foreign secretary, Mrs. Frederick Clatworthy, Evanston, Ill.; home secretary, Mrs. Julia L. Austin, Chicago; recording secretary, Mrs. J. W. Carpenter, Chicago; treasurer, Mrs. Matilda E. Kline, Chicago; auditors, George O. Holloway and James E. Piery, Chicago.

The state vice presidents elected include: Colorado, Mrs. H. F. Wilkinson; Iowa, Mrs. A. E. Atkinson; Missouri, Mrs. A. P. Braker; Montana, Mrs. C. L. Gave; Nebraska, Mrs. J. W. Merrill; North Dakota, Mrs. A. E. Mills; Washington, east, Mrs. W. F. Infield; Washington, west, Mrs. George Campbell; Wyoming, Mrs. W. H. Frazer.

OMAHA STUDENTS COME FIFTH

Creighton College Boys Beaten in English Composition Contest by Kansas Writers.

ST. LOUIS, April 23.—The results of the annual intercollegiate contest in English composition between seven Catholic colleges of the west has just been made known at the St. Louis university.

A paper from St. Mary's college of Kansas was pronounced winner of the first prize and St. Xavier of Cincinnati secured second. The third, sixth and seventh places were won by St. Louis men. St. Mary's also won fourth and eighth. Creighton college of Omaha was fifth, Milwaukee ninth and Detroit tenth.

CHURCH MERGER POSTPONED

Preachers Fail to Harmonize Doctrines and Put Off Decision.

PITTSBURGH, April 23.—The church merger will not materialize, as the representatives of the Congregational, Methodist Protestant, United Brethren and Christian churches, denominations disagreed today on the plans submitted.

It was decided that committees from each denomination confer during the summer and endeavor to harmonize the different doctrines, so that a practicable plan of union may be presented to another conference.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair Friday, Probably Showers, Saturday Fair.

Table with 4 columns: Hour, Temperature, Wind, Clouds. Data for various hours from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

DANCE FOR HOSPITAL FUND

Metropolitan Hall the Scene of a Brilliant Social Event.

The charity hall filled Metropolitan hall last night with the members of the smart set of Omaha and was a most pleasing and well managed dancing party. The women and gentlemen who have planned and worked on the arrangements for the occasion for the evening were the recipients of many congratulatory expressions from the dancers. The charity which received so generous an offering was the Clarkson Memorial hospital, to the building fund of which the proceeds will be donated.

The ball room was a pleasure to the eye, even without the beautiful gowns and gems of the dancers. Festoons of pink and green bunting were draped effectively, while plum blossoms in wreaths and masses lent their freshness to the walls. Madames Arthur Crittenden Smith, Charles Koutze and Clement Chase conceived and executed the decorations.

The elaborate banquet, which came late in the evening, was the result of the efforts of Madames Arthur Crittenden Smith, Mrs. Koutze, J. E. Summers and James McKenna. The decorations of the banquet room were in semblance of a palm garden, the graceful plants standing high on pedestals and about in jardiniere. The false windows had been draped and caged birds hung at intervals, so that the high and somewhat awkward effect of ceilings was effectively overcome. The tables, with their glassware and silver and cut flowers, were arranged under the palms, the whole effect being artistic.

The hall was to have been opened with a "Sir Roger de Coverly," danced by some of the most exclusive society people of Omaha, but this idea was given up. But with small loss, the fine old stately dances are pretty good, and effective, but modern women of fashion the modern dances are more pleasing. The waltz! What more pleasing, with the turn of it setting my lady's jewels alight in rainbow fragments under the lights and bringing an answering warmth of color to her cheeks and a fire to her eyes!

In the card room below, a large number of those who chose not the dancing gods for their pastime played for points. Mrs. Samuel Bowen was the private hostess. She carried off the first honors, a beautiful bronze vase, given by Mrs. George A. Joslyn.

Bishop and Mrs. A. L. Williams and Messdames A. J. Poppleton, Herman Koutze, E. Arthur Crittenden, Smith, Charles J. E. Summers, Jr., received the guests of the evening. Mrs. George E. Pritchett was the ruler of the card tables by right of appointment, and the dancing floor was governed by a committee consisting of Messrs. Arthur Crittenden, Smith, Charles J. E. Summers, Jr., W. S. Poppleton, N. P. Dodge, Jr., Luther Koutze, Clement Chase and Frank Haskell.

LINEMEN DECIDE TO STAY OUT

President Yost of Telephone Company Makes Them a Verbal Proposition.

"A committee of linemen visited Mr. Yost this afternoon and he made to them a verbal proposition which he refused to put in writing when we asked him to do so. We, therefore, after hearing the report of the committee, have decided that we will entertain no oral propositions, regardless of their nature, and will continue the strike."

The strikers were not satisfied to accept any terms not written out for their security in case of future question as to the exact nature of the proposition, in addition, that Mr. Yost's propositions were not acceptable because he was not willing to make the concessions asked. According to the committee, he refused to recognize the union in any way or deal with it as an organized body. He practically refused to enter on the question of the wage scale, but stood for the nine-hour day in city work. In reality the recognition of the union is the vital point of the strike, and the men will stand out until they receive what is considered satisfactory concessions. A delegation of six linemen from the Bell Telephone company of Fremont was present at the latter part of the meeting.

FIND A REAL GRAVE THIS TIME

Remains of Pet Poodle Found in Running Down Knight's Cane.

Another good looking clue to the location of the body of Mrs. Knight was worked out to a fallow last night. It led to the police as considered it until they received more information than they started out with. C. B. Smith, who lives at 3406 Hickey street, has a large plot of ground, which Saturday he had plowed up for planting. Sunday morning he saw that the land had been crossed by a wagon. When he next met the man who had plowed the ground he asked him what he meant by driving over the plowing. The man said he had done no such thing and Smith, the plowman and two of the neighbors started to follow the trail. It led to a grave. Several more neighbors came along, dug down with a spade and uncovered new pine boards. Sensation. They opened a corner by breaking the board and saw a bit of pink dress protrude. That was enough, the police were sent for and the dirt shoveled into the box. It was opened. Within, wrapped in a little pink dress and laid away by loving hands, was a poor, dead, poodle dog.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN VESSELS APRIL 23

At New York—Sailed: Auguste Victoria, Hamburg, via Plymouth and Cherbourg; La Champagne, for Havre; Barbarosa, for Baltimore. Arrived: Princess Irene, from New York, and sailed for Genoa. At Glasgow—Sailed: Buenos Ayrcan, for Boston.

At Antwerp—Arrived: Southark, from New York. At Southampton—Arrived: New York, from New York. At Havre—Arrived: La Lorraine, from New York.

At Philadelphia—Arrived: Nederland, from Antwerp. At Liverpool—Arrived: Tetuan, from New York. At Gibraltar—Passed: Patria, from Marsalbes and Naples for New York; Vincenzo Bonanno Giganti, from Bayona and Palermo for New York.

SNOW FALLS IN MARYLAND

Winter Hangs on in South, Cold Weather and White Blanket Coming Late.

CUMBERLAND, Md., April 23.—There was a big drop in the temperature here and throughout western Maryland. Snow is reported in Pylesburg and in the region west of Oakland.

PAVNE FIRES TYNER

Postoffice Attorney Loses Place When His Wife Raids Department Safe.

OFFICIALS FAIL TO RECOVER PAPERS

Inspectors Are Turned Empty Away When Demanding to See Booty.

SUSPECT PROOFS OF GUILT ARE TAKEN

Government Employers Fear Evidence of Crooked Work is Abstracted.

LAWYER ACCUSED OF AIDING TURF FIRMS

Resigns on Request, But Keeps Title Without Powers Till May, Seizing Opportunity Thus Made to Possess Himself of Documents.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—A most sensational development of the present postoffice investigation occurred just before the department closed today, when Postmaster General Payne announced the summary dismissal of James N. Tyner, assistant attorney general for the department. With the announcement was coupled the startling charge that all the papers and records in the safe of the latter's office had been abstracted by Mrs. Tyner, a wife of the disgraced official, with the assistance of two others. The postmaster states that Mrs. Tyner has refused to return these papers and that consequently he has decided to submit the case to the department of justice. The question of arrears will be passed out immediately by Attorney General Knox.

Mrs. Tyner Abstracts Papers. The facts are told tersely in the letter of dismissal signed by Postmaster General Payne late yesterday afternoon and made public tonight. The letter follows: "Sir: You are hereby removed from the office of assistant attorney general for the Postoffice department."

I deem it proper to give you the reasons for this removal. Early in the month of March I communicated to you through a mutual friend a request for your resignation, after a painful interview with you and a more painful one with Mrs. Tyner. I consented to receive your resignation, and you were given leave of absence from the date of its taking effect. It was understood that you were not in any way to undertake any investigations or duties of the office.

Late yesterday afternoon Mrs. Tyner came to the office of the assistant attorney general for the Postoffice department and went through the door behind her. She then unlocked the door entering from the street and removed a private key from the lock. She then opened a safe in which she had stored her papers, and she took therefrom all papers, records and documents which she carried away with her.

Immediately thereafter what had been done I directed the fourth assistant postmaster general to send two inspectors to the office, but the inspectors were not permitted to enter the office. The inspectors were told that the papers were not in the office, and that they were not to be permitted to search for them. The inspectors were told that they were not to be permitted to search for them.

The facts in the case will be submitted to the attorney general, and he will advise you of any action in the premises as he may deem proper. Postmaster General.

Bristow Orders Eviction

When Mrs. Tyner entered the office her visit was reported to two inspectors and to Postmaster General Payne. An inspector also reported the matter to Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow. Mr. Bristow asked to have Mrs. Tyner ejected from the office, but the authority came too late. When the inspector returned Mrs. Tyner had left. Afterwards, when the inspectors called on her, she told them they had no right to the papers, as Mr. Tyner was still assistant attorney general, and moreover, insisted that the papers were all of a private character.

It is suspected at the department that the papers have some connection with the recent conduct of the office. Some weeks ago a turf investment concern, whose affairs were aired in court, alleged that its operations and working methods had been sanctioned by the assistant attorney general for the Postoffice department. The charges involving the office of the assistant attorney general and a lawyer formerly connected with that office were ventilated generally at that time and an investigation was ordered by the postmaster general. This was really the inception of the investigation that has spread into every part of the department.

Mr. Tyner, at the time the papers were taken, was still technically assistant attorney general, and his resignation had not been considered of the question by the department of justice. It is pointed out, however, that although Mr. Tyner still held the office, his resignation not having yet become operative, the acceptance of his resignation was with the authority of the department. Specifically stated in the letter of acceptance, that he would not attempt to administer the duties of his office. It is fully realized by the postmaster general that the case presents a delicate situation, and for that reason he declined today to discuss the facts.

Tyner Former Postmaster General

Mr. Tyner has been in the government service in various important capacities for many years. He is from Indiana. He served as assistant attorney general for the Postoffice department and later was first assistant postmaster general. Subsequently he became postmaster general, and later again assumed office in the department. He is one of the best known men in official life in Washington. He and Mrs. Tyner and President and Mrs. Grant were intimate friends. During the Universal Postal congress, which met here in 1875, he was one of the committee which represented this government.

An effort made tonight to obtain from Mr. Tyner or Mrs. Tyner a statement met with no success. Mrs. Tyner stating that they had nothing to say on the subject. The suggestion was thrown out that there might be something to give out by Mr. Tyner's side in the future. Mrs. Tyner apparently took the matter coolly. If at all concerned about the postmaster general's letter she did not show it in her manner.

While refusing to admit directly that Mr. Tyner received from Mrs. Tyner's letter, it was evident from her answers that she either had received it or had been made acquainted fully with its contents. Mr. Tyner is in a very weak and almost hopeless condition from his long sickness.

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