

TAFT'S TARIFF MESSAGE SHORT

President Points Out to Congress Necessity of Prompt Redemption of Platform Pledges.

BILL IS EXPECTED TODAY

Committee Will Be Proposed Measure This Morning.

CANNON APPOINTMENT MITTEES

Clark and Fitzgerald Minority Members on R.

PAYNE HEADS WAYS AND MEANS

Minority Leader Discusses Failure of Speaker to Consult Him About Committee Appointments of Democrats.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—In striking contrast to the scenes of confusion, disorder and hurried debate which marked the opening day of the house the session of that body today assumed its wonted air of dignity. There was general good feeling among the members, whose main topic of conversation was the fight of yesterday over the tariff.

Two Iowans Under Charge of Fraud as Stock Promoters

Corydon Grand Jury Indicts Pair Who Sold Stock in Company that Failed.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 16.—A charge of embezzling \$15,000 against R. M. Nichols at Corydon, Ia., who was arrested here last night by Iowa officers. Requisition papers have been honored by Governor Hadley, and M. J. Evans, deputy sheriff of Wayne county, Iowa, will take the prisoner to Corydon today.

Hegeman Must Stand Trial

Court Holds President of Metropolitan Must Go Before Jury Perjury Charge.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 16.—The court of appeals today decided in effect that John R. Hegeman, president of the Metropolitan Life insurance company, must stand trial on the charge of perjury in connection with alleged misstatements made in his annual report of the Metropolitan Life filed with the state superintendent of insurance on January 1, 1908.

O'BRIEN STAYS AT TOKIO

Straus Will Be Given Some Other Embassy, According to Report.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Ambassador O'Brien at Tokio will remain at that post. Former Secretary of Commerce and Labor Oscar Straus will be appointed to some other embassy. Senators Smith and Burrows of Michigan requested the retention of Mr. O'Brien.

Omaha Woman Writes of Johnson and White Wife

While Galveston, Tex., is waiting for Miss Jack Johnson, world's champion pugilist, in a most unusual frame of mind, the big smoke is not having all smooth sailing even in British Columbia, where the subjects of England have nothing like the prejudice against color that exists on this side of the line in some quarters.

Catholic Refuses Place

Bishop Lillis Declines to Serve on Kansas Test Book Board.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 16.—Bishop T. F. Lillis of the Catholic diocese of Leavenworth, Kan., has declined the appointment as a member of the Kansas state test book board.

Paris Strikers Report for Work in Large Numbers

Hundreds Present at Night Meeting Show Up Rather Than Risk Jobs.

PARIS, March 16.—The general strike of the telegraph, telephone and postal employees of the state, voted with so much enthusiasm last night is not turning out today to be anything effective and unless there should come some sudden change for the worse it promises to be of short duration.

SEAT DRAWING IN THE HOUSE

Norris of Nebraska Lands in the "Cherokee Strip" Over Among the Democrats.

HAS DISTINGUISHED COMPANY

Hinshaw Fares the Best of Any of the Nebraska Republicans.

RIGHT UP WITH THE BIG FIVE

Hitchcock and Maguire Are Fortunate, but Latta in Ill Luck.

NO CHANCE FOR GAME PRESERVE

Land in Nebraska Forest Reserve Section Most Suited to the Purpose Belongs to Settlers and Not to the Government.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Balancing on one foot, then on the other, waiting almost forever, waiting until his name was called, Congressman George W. Norris, of the fifth Nebraska district, was the first republican to carry this "Cherokee Strip," as the "overflow" space for the majority party is called. And when the name of the now well known "insurgent" leader from Nebraska was pronounced, Champ Clark, minority leader, suggested, amid prolonged applause, that "republicans should not sit with democrats; make them sit way over there on the other side of the last aisle."

Pinchot in Hostile Camp

Forestry Expert Speaks Before Members of Colorado Legislature.

ASKS AID OF ALL INTERESTS

Ascertains Forestry Service Exists as Well to Develop Timber as to Protect It—Benefits to State.

DENVER, Col., March 16.—Invading the heart of the country which has been opposed to the policy of the government's forestry service, Gifford Pinchot, government's forester, in an address today before the legislature of Colorado, vigorously defended his administration from the assaults made against it. After declaring that he had no apologies to make for the policy of the forest service, Mr. Pinchot stated that no backward step would be taken in any salutary policy adopted.

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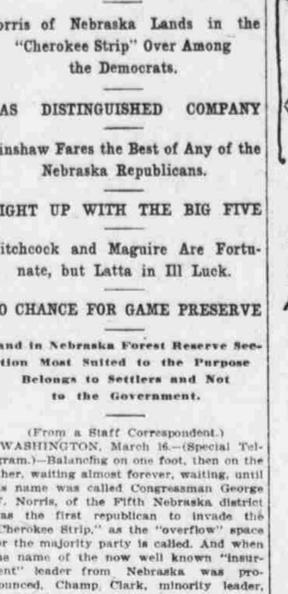
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Have you the automobile fever? Somewise ones who feel the disease coming on them watch for a bargain in a car that has been used.

Under the "Automobile" heading on the want ad page you will find attractive offers of cars of all kinds. Take an afternoon off and see what these machines are.

Among them are a number of "snaps"—probably just what you want. Of course, if saving a few hundred means nothing to you, don't bother about it. If you want to save money, however, investigate these machines. A used machine is a pretty good scheme for your first auto. Have you read the want ads—yet—today?

Uncle Joe: "What the Sam Hill has broke loose?"



CHANGES IN TARIFF BILL

Mr. Cushman, New Member from Washington, Suggests Amendments.

MEASURE BEING REPRINTED

It Now Has Unanimous Approval of Republicans on Committee and Will Be Introduced Today.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The Payne tariff bill will be introduced in the house tomorrow soon after the house convenes. In the meantime the bill will be reprinted.

Roads to Annul Storage Rate

Change at Kansas City Will Increase Charge on Farm Implements to Oklahoma.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 16.—The Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and St. Louis & San Francisco railroads yesterday decided to discontinue the storage-in-transit arrangement on agricultural implements here. The effect of the cancellation of this privilege is to add 4 1/2 cents to the freight cost on agricultural implements sold here to Oklahoma destinations.

Farrelly Bishop of Cleveland.

ROME, March 16.—Pope Pius has ratified the appointment of Mgr. Farrelly as bishop of Cleveland. Mgr. Farrelly is at present spiritual director of the American college at Rome. This appointment was decided on at a recent meeting of the consistorial council under the presidency of Cardinal De Lai.

Speaker Pool Wins Victory

Defeats for a Day at Least the Naming of a Sifting Committee by the House.

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEN NAMED

Delegation for Second Congressional District Ignores Stoecker.

OMAHA CHARTER HELD UP

Intimation Delay in Naming Sifting Committee is the Cause.

NORMAL SCHOOLS IN POLITICS

Bill Recommended for Passage for the Naming of a New Board by the Governor—Bank Bill on Senate File.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 16.—(Special.)—Without a voice raised to help Speaker Pool, from the chair today, whipped the faction of the democratic party which at the beginning of the session took the power from him to name the standing committees. To do the job the speaker was compelled to force the majority party to repudiate its caucus agreement, but he did it single handed and alone insofar as oratorical help was concerned.

The fight was over the selection of a sifting committee. The speaker opposed the proposition and upon an attempt being made to name the committee, he was successful in defeating the motion by an adjournment.

From the outset the speaker has opposed the sifting committee and to get around him the house held a caucus and decided that the committee should be composed of two members from each congressional district, the speaker and two republicans. This was one night in the caucus, and all of the districts save the "unorganized territory of Douglas" have selected their members of the committee.

Bowman of Neokolls county late this afternoon moved that the speaker appoint the sifting committee as recommended by the various districts and that it take immediate charge of the general file. The motion included the Second district and Mr. Bowman explained that unless that district made its selection tonight he would move that the house do it tomorrow. The committee he reported was as follows: First district, Ledigh and Gerdes; Third district, Kuhl and Henshaw; Fourth district, Groeber and Hopwood; Fifth district, Marlett and Eastman; Sixth district, Taylor of Custer and Brown of Sherman; Mr. Speaker, and Baker of York and Griffin of Burt, republicans.

When Bowman moved the adoption of his motion, Speaker Pool, without leaving the chair, said: "Mr. Bowman, why do you take the work out of the hands of 109 men and place it in the hands of eight men?"

"Unless we have a sifting committee we will have many important bills lost. We will be unable to reach the Omaha charter, the Lincoln charter and many other important measures if we continue at work steadily on the general file as we have done," replied Bowman.

"Who agreed upon this sifting committee?" retorted Speaker Pool. "How did you name the republicans. The house has no official knowledge that these are the men the republicans desire on the committee."

Taylor of Custer then got the floor: "Mr. Speaker," he said, "the majority party held a caucus and agreed upon the sifting committee. We decided that we would allow the minority party two representatives on that committee. The propriety of the sifting committee cannot be questioned. It will prevent confusion such as we have just seen here over members attempting to raise important measures."

"Every one of the appointment of the sifting committee be left to the speaker," interrupted Skowen of Nemaha.

"Before putting the question Speaker Pool said: "Remember, the question is whether one man can name the republicans on that committee. When we were in caucus Mr. Taylor, Skowen and I were the only ones residing a caucus to name their members of the sifting committee."

"The republicans in caucus named two members for places on the sifting committee," said Nettleton of Clay, republican.

"We are well satisfied. We gave the minority one representative on the bill, drew it and watched over it. There is no doubt he will have a hand in selecting the members of the board, which are to be appointed by the governor. The board selects the location of the proposed normal school. Whether the bill will be able to muster fifty-one votes on final passage is a question, because it is now beginning to be generally understood that if it does, then it is good-bye to any normal school in western Nebraska save at the home of Arthur Mullen."

The bill provides that the governor shall name five members of the new board immediately upon the approval of the bill, and the other members are the state treasurer and the state superintendent. The present board will go out of existence upon the signing of the bill by the governor. Some of the members of this board have a number of years yet to serve, but this

Railroad Trust Hearing Starts in Chicago Court

Testimony Will Be Taken in Suit to Break Up Merger of Harriman Lines.

CHICAGO, March 16.—The Chicago hearing in the government suit against Edward H. Harriman and his associates, the Union Pacific Railroad company and subsidiary railroad companies, to break up what Attorney General Bonaparte terms "a substantial monopoly of the transportation business between the Missouri river and the Pacific coast," opened today before Special Examiner Sylvester G. Williams.

The hearing is to take testimony in the case instituted in Salt Lake City a year ago. The government's first witness was J. A. Wentz, a retired railroad man.

Forest Policy Fixed

Mr. Pinchot declared that he was authorized by the new administration to say that the general policy of creating and maintaining national forests may be regarded as definitely and finally fixed and that the general lines of policy for which the forest service stands are endorsed and will be supported by President Taft.

"What I have come here to do is to establish such relations with the people of Colorado who use the national forests and are affected by them, as will be for the best interests of the state and nation."

"The forest service exists not only to protect the national forests, it exists just as much to develop the national forests and the states in which they lie, and it has no stronger desire than to promote and foster the development of Colorado and every other western state. No more complete mistake about the national forests has been spread abroad than that they are shut against development and use. During the last fiscal year, 2,664 mining claims and 3,729 agricultural and miscellaneous claims were investigated; 202,739 M. B. F. of timber

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This plan makes the road run along the top of the bluffs that command a most magnificent view, overlooking the Missouri river and the bluffs to the east, the city of Florence, and Omaha, and on clear days to the bridge that crosses the river at Blair, past many of the historic spots of early Nebraska and for a mile and a half along the banks of the Missouri river. This loop road is now one of the most picturesque drives hereabouts and in fair weather is always crowded with automobiles and pleasure vehicles from Omaha and vicinity.

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