

TWO MORE DAYS OF CONGRESS

Little More Business Will Be Transacted Before Adjournment for the Holidays.

MINOR BILL THE HOUSE

Attempt to Dispose of Bill Will Be Abandoned

PROGRAM OF THE SENATE

Nomination of Judge Lurion for Supreme Bench to Be Confirmed.

SOME OBJECTIONS ARE RAISED

Committee Looking Into Charge that He Leans Too Strongly Toward Interests of Corporations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—With probably fewer than a quorum of members of either house in the city, all legislation in congress during the next two days will be by common consent. The house will undertake nothing more than the passage of some bills of minor importance and the completion of its work on the District of Columbia appropriation bill, which already has been under consideration for two or three days.

It has been hoped that the army supply bill might be taken up and disposed of before adjournment, but that program has been abandoned in the face of the departure of so many members. It is expected that very little time will be necessary for the disposal of the District bill, and with it out of the way the house, in its main, will simply "read water" until the time for adjournment for the holidays.

Program of Senate.

The senate will undertake very little except the confirmation of Hon. Horace H. Lurion to be associate justice of the supreme court of the United States. The nomination will be reported favorably to the senate on Monday and an effort will be made to have it acted upon. The present indications are that there will be no objection to such a course and that Mr. Lurion's confirmation will take place before the beginning of the holidays, thus enabling him to take his seat on the supreme bench upon the resumption of that body after the holidays.

It is not expected that a quorum will be present either Monday or Tuesday, and if such should prove to be the case a call for an aye and no vote would have the effect of postponing action until January. No action will be taken regarding the constitutionality and Senator Bacon of the judiciary committee, who has charge of the nomination, is hopeful that the expediency of such a call will not be resorted to.

Undoubtedly there are a number of senators who consider Mr. Lurion's appointment to the supreme court as a concession to the interests of corporations.

Lurion's Corporation Leasings.

Some investigation is being made of Judge Lurion's dealings as a circuit judge, with a view to determining the foundation of the charges that are in the interest of corporations, and a statement covering this phase of the question probably will be presented to the senate when the subject is taken up for consideration.

In the main, the disposition is to allow the president to have his way in the selection of a successor to Justice Peckham, but many of the senators are disposed to make a record regarding Mr. Lurion's shortcomings, if he has any.

If it were a question of success or defeat, Mr. Lurion would have many champions and there is no doubt that he would be confirmed on a vote. The only question involved at this time is the advisability of delay in the vote on the subject.

The question should be deferred so long.

Both houses will adjourn on Tuesday for two weeks, the day for the reconvening being fixed for Tuesday, January 4.

BODY IS TAKEN TO BRUSSELS

Corpse of King Leopold Removed to Palace Amid Impressive Scenes.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 19.—The body of King Leopold was transferred from the pavilion at Laeken to the palace at Brussels last night by the torchlight of troopers acting as guides. The hearse was covered with crepe and drawn by eight horses with black draperies. It was surrounded with black plumes and had a canopy of black and white and the coats-of-arms of the nine provinces.

The car was surrounded by Leopold's grooms and servants. On either side rode the general officers, and the carriages which followed contained Prince Albert and the court dignitaries.

As the body was conveyed to the hearse, the batteries fired salutes and the bells tolled. An enormous crowd witnessed the impressive scene. The cortege, preceded by mounted gendarmes and a squadron of guides and followed by the officers of the general staff and the local authorities, left Laeken at 8 o'clock in the evening, arriving at the palace at 9:30. Noncommissioned officers of the various corps bore the coffin, on which was the royal crown, to a room which had been transferred into chapel, where the civil and military authorities were drawn up.

According to the Gazette, Princess Louise's counsel has notified the principal banks that she will oppose the payment of any deposits they have received in the name of Leopold or Baroness Vaughan and has forbidden the executors of Leopold's will to destroy any papers.

King Leopold's will declared that he be possessed but \$200,000, which he left to his children.

His majesty expressed the desire that no autopsy be performed and said that "apart from my nephew, Prince Albert, and the members of my household, I forbid anyone to attend my funeral. My papers shall be destroyed or handed to Prince Albert."

Baron Goffinet, who was private secretary to King Leopold, was appointed executor of the will of the late king.

Albert, the new king, will take the name of Albert I.

Prince Albert is believed to have made a master stroke in sending the royal train to the frontier to give royal welcome to Princess Louise. Both Princess Louise and Princess Stephanie are held in high affection by the Belgian people, who consider them the victims of misfortune. The reunion of the royal family is accepted as a good omen for the opening of the reign of the already popular Albert.

Small Fishing Tug is Destroyed by Fire in Lake Erie

Crew of Three Men Has Long Battle with Ice and Wind Before Reaching Shore.

LORAIN, O., Dec. 19.—The fishing tug Penelope of Cleveland burned this afternoon four miles off shore. The crew of three escaped, after a battle with ice floes in the bitter cold which almost cost them their lives.

The boat, which belonged to A. H. Langell of Cleveland, was bound for its winter quarters at St. Clair, Mich. This afternoon Captain Charles Inceh discovered fire in the woodwork above the engine room, and in only a few moments his position and that of the engineer and fireman became untenable.

While they were endeavoring to cast loose the larger of two yawls the yawl caught fire. They were forced to take refuge in the other, a smaller one, where there was barely room for the three to crawl into.

The sides of the tug were in flames before they launched their little craft. There had been no time to don extra wraps and the day was one of the coldest of the winter. The men, their oars and their heads were crusted with ice. They had gone a mile. Two miles off shore they encountered shore ice too thin to bear their weight, but thick enough to impede the progress of the boat. Through this they were compelled to break their way, stiffened by the penetrating wind.

Imports of Toys is Increasing

Nearly Eight Million Dollars Worth of Playthings Brought to America This Year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Santa Claus this year apparently has on his books the names of more children here than here before and means to remember the good little boys and good little girls bountifully with toys of all descriptions. Uncle Sam has been keeping a watchful eye on the records of toys for Christmas and his latest figures indicate a great increase in the value of playthings which have been imported into the United States from the toy-makers of Germany and elsewhere and these made in the United States for distribution Christmas evening.

During the year at least \$7,700,000 worth of toys have been imported. Last year they amounted to \$5,259,837. The toy market of November next to the United States during September and October \$17,544 worth more of their product than during the same period last year—an increase of nearly 64 per cent. During the ten months ending October 20 the imports of toys amounted to \$5,350,480, \$600,000 more than the same period last year.

Jack Frost is Toning Down

Hint of More Agreeable Weather is Contained in Returns from the Weather Man.

The backbone of the frigid weather that has prevailed for some time past is believed to have been broken yesterday when the thermometer began to rise at 10 o'clock and continued to rise during the entire day. The thermometer reached the minimum at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, when it registered 5 degrees below zero. The minimum temperature on the same date a year ago was 26 degrees above and the maximum was 35.

The temperature continued to rise until between 2 and 3 o'clock, when the thermometer attained the lofty height of 5 degrees above zero. The sun began to go down at that hour and the thermometer began falling and registered 6 above at 7 o'clock, having fallen two degrees in four hours.

Three Hundred Negroes Arrested

East. St. Louis Officials Trying to Identify Man Who Shot Two Carmen.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., Dec. 19.—Three hundred negroes, each answering in some particular the description of the highwayman who shot and killed Motorman Eugene Goudey and perhaps fatally wounded Conductor M. P. O'Brien on a street car last night are being held at police headquarters tonight. Efforts are being made to identify one of them as the highwayman.

The negroes were caught by posers. The man who is wanted obtained \$40 from O'Brien by cutting out his pockets and taking the money change. The car, after the negro left it, ran uncontrolled for four miles into the center of East St. Louis.

Rewards of \$500 from the men's employers and \$200 from the Street Car men's union have been offered for the negro's arrest.

Yale Athlete Makes Long Trip Through Canada Woods

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 18.—Vernon Howe of Minneapolis, former Yale athlete, who entered the British Columbia wilderness with a companion, Jack Cunningham of Kamloops, B. C., three months ago, and for whom deep anxiety was felt, emerged safely from the woods Thursday afternoon, when he arrived at the Hundred Mile house, Caribou, and dispatched the telegram received by his father today.

The two men set out to inspect the timber lands, in which Howe's father is interested.

Following their guides and packers worthless, the two men made their way alone for three months through a rough and almost unknown country, which has been penetrated only by Indians and a few

SHIFTING WEEK IN STOCK MARKET

Influence of Conflicting Factors Causes Irregularity in Trading and Values.

SLIGHT REACTIONARY TENDENCY

Profit Taking Indicates that Situation is Largely Discounted.

MARKET IS UNDER CONTROL

Coterie of Powerful Capitalists Largely Dominate the Exchange.

WATCHING SUPREME COURT

Pending Decisions of Standard Oil and American Tobacco Cases Cause Some Degree of Apprehension.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The stock market last week reflected the shifting influences of conflicting factors in the speculation by the irregular and rather narrow fluctuations in the price movement. The year-end requirements on the money market exerted some constraining on activity. Sentiment was responsive still to favorable prospects, but actual benefits accrued brought a reactionary tendency due to profit-taking sales and revealed the extent to which speculation has already progressed in the discounting of events calculated to increase values.

The effect of the increase in dividend rate on Reading was a case in point. On the other hand, the association of support against the effects of an unfavorable influence was taken to prove that the control of the market was still strongly entrenched in the hands of the coterie of powerful capitalists which has been credited with the direction of the speculation for many months.

It was with the probable future plans of this element that speculative surmise and conjecture concerned themselves principally, as between a determination to push the price advance further in the coming year or an effort to distribute heavy holdings on the first favorable opportunity afforded by a weakened general demand for stocks. The fact of enormous undistributed accumulations in the hands of market organizations is generally assumed.

An interruption to their plans for market operations during the fall by the recall of foreign credits and the policy of the Bank of England is inferred from the known course of events. Various contingencies that may serve as obstacles to the completion of their plans are taken account of in the estimate of the future.

There is much discussion of the pending supreme court decisions in the American Tobacco and the Standard Oil cases and it is feared the uncertainty surrounding the expected decisions may harm the stock speculation, and in some degree regular business activities.

The strength of the foreign exchange market pointed to an outgo of gold direct to London during the coming week. A special demand is due to the payments to be made to foreign holders of American securities. The action of the London market raises a new question, in addition, whether the effects of the English political crisis had been sufficiently allowed for. The possibility of continued withdrawals of gold from New York in January is canvassed.

The labor problem is kept in view by the formulation of demands for increased wages by railroad employes, the declaration of war against the United States Steel corporation by the Pennsylvania legislature and by the general consideration of the high cost of living. The purchases of several independent telephone lines by J. Pierpont Morgan kept alive the conviction that extensive capital combinations were still being worked.

Aged Man is Burned to Death

Thomas V. Cooper, Former Collector of Port of Philadelphia, Meets Death in His Home.

MEDIA, Pa., Dec. 19.—Thomas Valentine Cooper, a member of the Pennsylvania legislature from Delaware county and formerly collector of the port of Philadelphia, was burned to death at his home here today. While smoking a cigar in the sitting room of his home, he either fell asleep or suffered a paralytic stroke. His bathrobe became ignited and he was dead before the flames were discovered by members of his family.

The aged legislator was a sufferer from insomnia and this morning he entered the room occupied by one of his nephews and got a cigar. Shortly afterwards his daughter-in-law smelled smoke and awakened her husband. An alarm of fire was turned in, but before the firemen arrived Mr. Cooper's body was found lying on a blazing couch in the sitting room. It was badly charred.

As no outcry was heard, his family believe he suffered a stroke of paralysis before the cigar fell from his mouth. He was 71 years old.

Busy Times for the Jolly Old Fellow



S. Claus—I never had so many good boys on my list.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST DISEASE

National Legislation in Prospect Over Tuberculosis.

BAN ON INFECTED PRODUCTS

Dairy Herds of Nation to Come Under Bureau of National Inspection—Heads Give Information.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Twenty-five years ago the bureau of animal industry was first established, with Dr. Salmon as its first chief. A careful examination of all the cattle in and around the District of Columbia was made, with the resultant discovery of hundreds of cases of pleuro-pneumonia among the herds which supplied the milk to the inhabitants of Washington. Those herds were slaughtered by wholesale and apparently this vicinity has been free of diseased cattle since. But within the last few days the veterinarians of the Department of Agriculture, in connection with the health authorities of the district, have discovered that the milk supply of Washington is tainted to a very large extent caused by the presence of tuberculosis among the dairy cattle.

The census figures show that there are in the District of Columbia itself about 1,500 dairy cows, and it has been demonstrated that at least one-third of these are afflicted with bovine tuberculosis to such an extent that they are being slaughtered by wholesale. The same condition is said to exist on the farms of Maryland and Virginia, from which the milk supply of Washington is largely drawn, and in consequence there is a scare among the householders. Vigorous efforts are being made to stamp out the disease and to prevent the sale of milk from infected cattle. The highest medical authorities hold that bovine tuberculosis can be communicated to human beings through the consumption of milk and dairy products, and that is especially true in the case of infants and small children.

Tuberculosis Hospital.

There has been recently opened in this district a well-equipped hospital for the sole treatment of patients suffering from the "white plague," and it is natural, therefore, that the efforts to cure the disease should be supplemented by rigorous preventive measures. The tuberculosis germ makes itself manifest in its early stage in the udder of a milk cow and it is known that the germ multiplies and spreads more rapidly in the richer portion of the milk, particularly in the butter-fat. As butter is made by a simple mechanical process without the aid of heat, it naturally follows that butter made from the produce of an infected cow is even more deleterious to health than the fresh milk.

But butter may come from any portion

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Plans to Enforce Pure Food Law

Samples of Imports at Smaller Ports to Be Sent to Nearest Government Laboratories.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—A comprehensive enlargement of the activities of the Department of Agriculture in the administration of the pure food act is contemplated in orders issued today. Their object is to inaugurate for ports where the systematic inspection of foods, as is done at the ports where such facilities exist. For this purpose there has been established a complete chain of laboratory districts, with headquarters at the principal ports, to which will be sent samples of imported goods when found necessary.

By the application of this practice there will be referred to government chemists for examination all imports regarding the right to enter, which, under the pure food law, any doubt may exist in the minds of the customs inspectors at the smaller ports.

Officials say the new method will tend to do away with any tendency to import in violation of law at the smaller ports where there are no laboratories instead of at the larger ports, although their ultimate destination is the same. Headquarters are to be located among other places, at Galveston, Denver, Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, San Francisco and Seattle.

IOWA BOARD SPECIFIES RENTS FOR ARMORIES

Maximum Allowed for Any Company is \$800—Deputy Veterinarian Appointed.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The State Armory board concluded its work today and fixed the armory rent for various places in the state. The entire amount of annual rental is about \$30,000, which the state pays for the drill halls of the Guardsmen. The board also provided that all armories should conform to certain standards, as to being fireproof, having large halls and rooms for the social life of the members. The maximum allowed for a company armory is \$800 and for a band \$500.

The secretary of state today called attention to the fact that the foreign corporations now have the right under state laws to do all that is asked for them by the Des Moines Commercial club in regard to incorporating separate companies under the Iowa law.

Governor Carroll has appointed N. N. Crawford of Waukon to be a deputy state veterinarian. He is a nephew of the junior senator from South Dakota.

Senator C. G. Dowell has announced his withdrawal from the race for the republican nomination for congress in the seventh district and the field is left open for Judge Prouty alone to oppose Captain Hull. This was done without any conference or agreement, so far as can be ascertained, and wholly in the interest of simplifying the contest. Captain Hull is expected home in a day or two to fix up his fences.

CORN SHOW IS DISMANTLED

Two Belated Investigators Drift in Only to Be Disappointed.

WRECKERS NOW HOLD POSSESSION

Finery and Flossiness of Great Exposition Rapidly Vanishes from Sight, and Only Rough Work Remains.

Two or three acres of a chaos of packing cases—that is all that remains of the third National Corn exposition.

From the ends of the country on Sunday came Ward E. Meigh of Walla Walla, Wash., and J. E. Nichols of Deerfield, Mass., to see the corn show yesterday. They were welcomed in to see what remained by Assistant general manager Paisley.

The big exposition building resounds with the noise of the packers and the army which is engaged in the destruction of the decorative fabric of the show. The workers started when the gates closed at 11 o'clock Saturday night and they will be busy for two days and nights more removing the exhibits and appliances of the late exposition.

About the exposition grounds yesterday a few of the officials lingered to see the last sad rites of the exposition which for two weeks had been the scene of so much gaiety and activity.

The packing of the dairy models of the government exhibit will take the experts in charge five or six days. Each tiny wax representation and mold must be tucked away in its very own box or compartment. The government's display will be shipped back to the Department of Agriculture at Washington.

The remnants of many of the exhibits have been given to charity. The needy of the city will get the benefit of many bushels of grain and bits of fuel.

A bleak, sad scene is presented by the music hall, stripped of the finery of decoration in national flags which Gus Renz of Ak-Sar-Ben fame had designed. The rough work of the gaily illumined stalls and platforms is exposed and the glimmer of the big show has departed.

Most of the exhibitors have left the city. Yesterday Fred Palm and J. R. Overstreet of Franklin, Ind., the winners of the two foremost corn prizes in the world class competition, left for their homes.

The dismantling of the exposition's temporary structures will begin as soon as the packing of the exhibits is completed.

Clay Center Wins Debate.

HARVARD, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Stokes' opera house was well filled last night for the interhigh school debate between Clay Center and Harvard schools.

The subject discussed was "Resolved, That the second clause of the second section of the Fourteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States should be repealed." This clause, it will be recalled, grants the right of suffrage to the negro.

The affirmative was taken by Clay Center and discussed by Wilbur Lewis, Charles Epperson and Wayne Zumwalt, while the negative was taken by Harvard, with Earl North, Stephan Whitehead and Ivan Galalis. The judges were Superintendent E. H. Thompson of Hastings, Prof. M. M. Fogg of the university at Lincoln and Superintendent E. Clippinger of Sutton.

GOVERNOR WILL NOT ACT NOW

Nebraska Executive Announces His Finding in Proceeding Against Omaha Officials.

CASE HAS NOT BEEN MADE

Evidence Presented Not Strong Enough to Justify Removals.

HE SAYS OFFICERS ARE LAX

Eight O'clock Law Was Not Enforced as it Should Be.

MATTER HELD IN ABEYANCE

Governor Says that Any Further Failure to Vindicate Majesty of the Law Will Not Be Tolerated.

LINCOLN, Dec. 19.—Governor Shallenbaker this evening announced his findings in the complaint filed against Mayor Dahlman and the members of the Board of Fire and Police commissioners of Omaha, charging non-enforcement of the 8 o'clock closing law. The governor says it is the opinion of the attorney general and himself that a case has not been made against the officials which would justify him in beginning proceedings to oust them from office. At the same time he announces the matter is held in abeyance and any laxity in law enforcement in the future will result in capitulation under the power conferred upon him by the statutes. Governor Shallenbaker says:

"The early closing law for saloons was not enforced by the police of Omaha as it should have been. A number of excuses are offered, but the fact remains that the vindication of the law by reason of recent convictions has come, not because of the activity of those charged and paid for the enforcement of the law in that city, but by reason of volunteer detectives and private citizens earnest in upholding the majesty of the law in that city. This cannot longer be permitted to obtain in Nebraska. I am empowered and it is made my duty under the constitution to see that the laws of the state shall be enforced and I am going to do it if I have to use every power granted me under the statute and constitution."

"The early closing law was very unpopular in Omaha, and it was hoped by many citizens of that city to have it declared unconstitutional or to defeat the enforcement of its penalty by some way have it nullified. Therefore, I am inclined to exercise some clemency in consideration of law enforcement heretofore, but now that the law has been vindicated in every point, I shall insist upon its strict observance, the same as any other statute."

"Through a mass rally I have been advised of the responsibility of the chief of police in this matter. I shall withhold judgment and action in this case upon his express promise to enforce the law fearlessly and without favor in the future. If the other Omaha officials are equally lax, I shall learn from the action of the courts that the laws must be unhesitatingly enforced and obeyed, then the purpose of this action will have been accomplished. If they do not learn the lesson now, they must not complain if the law is applied at the first appearance of laxity of enforcement in the future."

Mayor Dahlman was apprised of the action of the governor Sunday evening. He had no comment to make, but he had a chance to read the governor's statement, further than to intimate that he had never worried very much over the outcome of the case.

LATE MRS. CAROLINE CAHN FIRST JEWISH WOMAN HERE

Was Earliest Arrival Among Women of Her Faith and Mother of First Jewish Child Born Here.

The death last week of Mrs. Caroline Cahn, widow of the late Aaron Cahn, took from Omaha its first Jewish resident and the parent of the first Jewish boy born in the city or in the state of Nebraska. In 1856 Aaron Cahn and wife came to Omaha, which was then nothing but a village. They were the first Jews to migrate to this western territory and for a number of years they continued to be the only Jewish residents, the first others coming in 1862.

Martin Cahn, the eldest son of the late couple, was born in 1885, the year of their arrival from Cincinnati, and to him be years they continued to be the only Jew-born in Omaha of the area beloved by all who knew her. Always prominently identified with the city's uplifting, she passed away mourned by every one who ever made her acquaintance, or secured her friendship. Of late, due to her advanced age, Mrs. Cahn played no important part in the city's activities, but she was always more or less indirectly interested in all philanthropic movements and was sponsor for many a noble deed which will never be forgotten.

The late Mrs. Cahn was intimately acquainted with all of the early pioneer residents. Her death removes another early settler, whose ranks are gradually thinning, and whose memory will soon be the only connection with their long residence here. Unassuming in her manners, Mrs. Cahn won for herself the love, respect and esteem of the community and the bereaved family has the sympathy of all who knew Mrs. Cahn in life and who revere her in death.

PRACTICAL JOKER FOOLS COPS

Rabbit Butcher Wraps Up Entrails of Victim and Sets Trap with Baby Shoes.

Suspecting a case of murder or infanticide, St. Paulina called upon the police station Sunday morning and told of a mysterious package lying at the foot of a flight of stairs at Twenty-fourth and Pierce streets, near by which was a pair of baby shoes. Humane Officer Woodridge responded and upon investigating found that someone was evidently trying to joke with the police.

The bloody package contained the entrails and skins of several rabbits, all neatly done up in the blood stained package, and with a pair of baby shoes placed near by to attract attention.

The want ad pages are particularly interesting to Christmas shoppers

Before you start out on your shopping tour look over the classification "Christmas Hints," on the first want ad page. There you will find a large number of Omaha merchants, who are offering suggestions of things, which they have, which are appropriate for Christmas presents. Many little things, out of the ordinary, are mentioned there.

Have you read the want ads, yet, today?

Mark Twain Challenged to Finish Game of Euchre

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.—Major Charles Genter of 427 Page boulevard has issued a challenge to Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) and Mathias Dougherty—the only two surviving members of the St. Louis Euchre club—to play off at his home Christmas day a match game of euchre that started in 1866 and continued four consecutive years. The challenge includes an invitation to dinner.

No acceptance has been received from Mr. Clemens, but Major Genter expects him to come or offer a good excuse for not doing so. Mr. Dougherty, a retired merchant, lives at 215 West Pine boulevard.

"The Euchre club was organized in 1866 with forty-six members," said Major Genter. "The prize was played for was a fine set of gold mounted stag horns. We had played 314 games when the horns were destroyed by fire in March 1889. The Euchre club is play off at his home Christmas day a match game of euchre that started in 1866 and continued four consecutive years. The challenge includes an invitation to dinner.

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