

SENATOR GORDON SAYS FAREWELL

Address of Mississippian Said to Be Most Unique in History of the Senate.

MOTHER TOLD HIM TO BE GOOD

His Reward Came When He Sat in Seat of Big Man Wednesday.

GORDON FOR THE MILLIONAIRE

He Thinks John D. Rockefeller Much Persecuted Man.

TALKS OF HIS WAR RECORD

He Fought, Bled and Skedaddled Frequently—Tribute Paid to General Grant and Lee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—What Senator Dewey characterized as a farewell unique in the senate's history was delivered today by James Gordon, senator from Mississippi, who said goodbye to the senators with whom he had served for the last six years.

Practically the entire senate listened with rapt attention to the address of the venerable Mississippian.

Beginning with the statement that the deadline in Mississippi had been broken and that Mr. Perce had been chosen to take his place, Colonel Gordon said that he had felt a desire to express his feelings towards the senate before returning to his home in Mississippi.

He then told how, when 5 years old, he had been presented with a toy board which was checked over with different objects, some of them good and some of them bad. One of these objects was the capitol of the United States and his mother had told him, he said, that if he would be good and would live a correct life he might some day hope to sit in the seat of the big man who was pictured there.

"She never had told me a lie and I knew that what she said was true. I knew that I would some day occupy the seat of that big man and I believe me I got there yesterday (referring to the fact that for a time yesterday he had occupied the seat of the presiding officer). I was born a multi-millionaire," said Colonel Gordon, "but I never was happy until I got rid of my surplus money. I spent much of it on my slaves and the rest of my funds I spent like a gentleman and got rid of the entire encumbrance."

Sorry for Millionaires. "I have listened with interest to the speeches here and the more I hear of them the sorer I am for the millionaires. Why, if there is a fellow in the United States that I am sorry for it is Rockefeller. He can't get on the street with one of his grandchildren unless he is afraid that some one might kill him."

Why I Know that he loves one of those children much better than he loves his money. I think Mr. Rockefeller is a good man. I see his employes speak well of him, and I am told that he never had a strike. I am told also that he has given much money to churches and education. Now, I don't understand anybody who will like that, but those who don't like it can put it in their pipes and smoke it."

To Like for Mr. Rockefeller to come down to Mississippi and run his pipe lines through my land. He could have right-of-way for all the lines he wanted, for I know that in my time coal oil has been reduced from 40 cents to 10 cents per gallon."

Fought, Bled and Skedaddled. Referring to the fact that he had been a confederate soldier, Mr. Gordon said: "I fought and bled, but I did not die. However, I skedaddled frequently."

He then told of some of his exploits in the war and how he had captured General Coburn of Indiana and General Shafter. Shafter, he said, had fired at him five different times during the confederate charge without hitting him. He said that whenever the union and confederate soldiers met they were always good friends. Asserting that he loved the negro, he declared that he wanted Mason and Dixon's line obliterated from the map of the United States because he did not want any more strife.

"A few more blab-mouthed people down our way talk differently," he said, "but they are so insignificant that they are not worth causing, they are not worth wasting investives upon."

Tribute to Soldiers.

Paying a tribute to soldiers of both the north and the south, Colonel Gordon said: "You say as well attempt to storm the heights of heaven and pluck the diadem from Jehovah's crown, I take it from either of them any of the glory of the empire or fine two men who stood under the tree at Appomattox and brought the war to a close."

"This is the finest body of men that I ever associated with," he continued, speaking of the senate itself, and he beamed upon his colleagues.

Again, returning to the negro question, he said: "We don't want to hurt the nigger; why I love him and to convince you that I do I will recite from my own poetry concerning him."

He then read two of his poems in which strong personal sentiment for the colored people of the south was expressed in rhyme.

Referring to Senator Heyburn's recent protest against General Lee's statue being allowed to remain in Statuary hall, Colonel Gordon invited Senator Heyburn to visit him on his plantation, and said that he was sure that after the Idaho senator had seen the south through his spectacles he would take off his hat to Lee, as he, Gordon, was willing to doff his to Grant.

MAJOR JOHN CROFT IS ILL

Aged Man Who Came to Omaha in Early Days Refuses to Go to Hospital.

Major John Croft, 85 years old, and one of the pioneers of Omaha, is quite sick at his home and his friends are for him. He attended the pioneer celebration, but since that time has been ailing, and is not able to recognize his friends. Although Mr. Croft has not been well for some time he has steadfastly refused to go to a hospital. His neighbors, T. F. Stroud and W. L. Kierstead, look after his welfare. Mr. Stroud having instructed one of his men to keep the fire in the house going. He lives in a cottage he has occupied for some years in the rear at Twentieth and Ames avenues.

Defends Taft Railway Stock Bill in House

Representative Townsend Says it Will Operate to Give Securities Firm Value.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The speculators, the men who want to make money out of water are the only people objecting to the provisions of the administration bill making railway securities of value. "This was the statement today of Representative Townsend of Michigan, author of the administration railroad measure which bears his name in discussing the bill that there was a 'joker' in the bill which would enable the big railroads to their stocks and bonds and prevent little ones from doing so. 'If there is a 'joker' here,' he continued, 'I don't know it, and you will be to convince me of its presence. The position narrows itself down finally this: You either want to regulate railroads or you do not. 'If you regulate them, the first thing to do is to make the paper they issue represent some tangible value so that investors may know what they are buying. If you don't regulate, why let them continue as they have in the past and issue just as many millions worth of stock based on hot air and prospects, as they think they can sell. 'If I had money to invest today do you think I would buy railroad paper? I would not. I would be all at sea as to the value of the paper offered by the various roads, and being in doubt about it, I would buy something else. 'Every fair minded, square dealing railroad man in the country ought to be anxious to see the provisions of this bill enacted into law. If any one can offer a better suggestion than is contained in the bill for the safeguarding of investors and the protection of reputations of railroads, I would be glad to receive it.'"

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Rock Island Now Attacks Low Fare

After Being Publicly Commended by Governor Haskell Road Finally Joins Others.

GUTHRIE, Okl., Feb. 24.—Attacking the constitutionality of the Oklahoma 2-cent passenger law and the state law providing for reduced freight rates, the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and the St. Louis & San Francisco railroads filed suits in the United States circuit court here today. The suits are similar to those filed by the other railroads of the state, upon which Federal Judge Hook at St. Louis recently granted a temporary injunction restraining the state corporation commission from enforcing the state railroad laws. Since Judge Hook's decision was rendered the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad company has restored the 2-cent passenger law in Oklahoma. Governor Haskell has publicly advised the people of Oklahoma to patronize the Rock Island and the Frisco roads because they had not joined with the other roads in the first suit against the state law.

Fought Pursuers at Ferry Crossing

Head of Lamaist Hierarchy Escapes into India by Very Narrow Margin.

CALCUTTA, British India, Feb. 24.—The Dalai Lama, the supreme head of the Lamaist hierarchy, who fled from Lhasa on the approach of the Chinese troops, has made good his escape into Sikkim, a state of India to the south of Tibet and adjoining Desjiling, the British district in which the fugitive will seek an asylum. The escape of the Dalai Lama was a narrow one for Chinese troops bent upon his capture, hotly pursued him to the borders of Sikkim. The Tibetan pope traveled day and night and at one of the numerous ferries the Chinese overtook the Tibetan party. His followers, however, engaged their pursuers, thus permitting time for the Lama to reach the frontier. But few of his party were left to him when he crossed into Sikkim.

HOLD BALLOTS ON SENATOR

Governor Hadley's Request that Tickets Be Preserved Will Be Granted.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 24.—The ballots cast in this city upon which United States Senator William J. Stone was nominated will be preserved for submission to the legislature next January for a recount. Governor Hadley, who arrived here last night, had a conference today with the election commissioners and they agreed that the ballots not only could be legally held, but that they would see that this was done.

Fifteen Are Badly Burned.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—In a fire of incendiary origin in a Varick street tenement today fifteen persons were burned and injured. The fire, which they probably will die. The property loss was small.

Judge Leslie Declines to Part Two Old Neighbors

Rumor reached Dundee the other day that County Judge Charles Leslie was thinking of moving to that suburb.

Now, Dundee knows Judge Leslie in several ways, all favorably, but chiefly in connection with two lawsuits which came close home to Dundee. These were the prosecution of F. L. Fitchett by H. C. Baird and the prosecution of Baird by Mr. Fitchett. The two men are next door neighbors and their recriminations and Fitchett's spite fence have attained more than local fame.

When Judge Leslie fined Mr. Baird for assault on Fitchett, Mr. Fitchett conceived an admiration for the county judge, which was not entirely dissipated when Baird prosecuting the court-fined Fitchett, himself. Similarly—and this is the only thing the two men have in common—Mr. Baird

VOTE ON POSTAL BANK MEASURE

Senate Reaches an Agreement to Put Bill on Its Passage Next Thursday.

ADDRESS BY MR. BAILEY

Texas Attacks Proposed Act Upon Constitutional Grounds.

BURTON OFFERS AMENDMENTS

They Are Designed to Reconcile Differences Over Investments.

POSTAL BILL IN THE HOUSE

Chairman Weeks Explains Provisions of Appropriation Act for 1911—Service Grows Rapidly.

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Mr. Bailey's Speech.

Mr. Bailey discussed the different clauses of the constitutionality of the postal savings bank bill had found support. Beginning with the commerce clause, he declared it to be a grotesque absurdity to say that such an institution as a postal savings bank system could be established under it.

Referring to the contention that the bill was justified under the borrowing clause of the constitution, he asked its advocates whether the real purpose of the measure was that of borrowing money. If it was, then, that it was constitutional, but contending that the object of this clause is to enable the government to perform its functions in time of emergency, he contended that this measure would not justify the proposed improvements.

If customs houses as numerous as postoffices, said Senator Bailey, they would have been as apt to be chosen for this purely fiscal operation, he declared, and with no pretense of any connection with the operation of the postal service. He contended that the citizen has a right to do with money as he pleased, as he had with any other property.

Rights of Citizens.

"If you can bring money from his hiding place in one way you can in another," he said. "You have just as much power to compel the citizen to supply money by threatening him with punishment as you have to tempt him by guaranteeing him a profit on it. If you can employ a premium you can employ a penalty. You have no more right to prescribe what a citizen shall do with his money than you have to say what he shall do with his land."

He then attempted to show that the purpose of the bill was to encourage economy and thrift, and he quoted the message of President Roosevelt of 1907 in support of this contention, entering upon an argument to show that this was not part of the duty of government, but that it was an unwarranted intrusion of the government into the affairs of its citizens.

Entering then into a discussion of the abstract right of citizenship, Mr. Bailey declared it was a libel to say that people could not take care of their own money, and declared that only through struggle and suffering could a strong people be developed. He contended that people must learn to take the chances and stand upon their own responsibility in business affairs.

Mr. Burton's Amendments.

In an effort to reconcile the differences among senators, Senator Burton today introduced an amendment to the section providing for the disposal of savings funds.

Four methods of investing the funds are provided. They direct, first, for a reserve adequate to meet withdrawals, then the provision permits the purchase of the securities of the national government, investment in state or city bonds as authorized by the Vreeland-Aldrich emergency currency law, and in loans to banks on approved security.

A waiter in a restaurant, who had learned stenography, found a position a few days ago through a Bee want ad.

The little treasures will find places for boys and girls, because business men requiring help are scanning them religiously, morning and evening.

A Bee want ad will do wonders. It places you in touch with concerns and people, impossible to reach any other way.

If you pay rent on a phone, it will be all right for you to call Doug. 238 for anything you wish.

At the Auto Show

GOSH, BUT AIN'T IT TOUGH TO BE POOR!!



From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

UNION PACIFIC CONTRACT LET

New Headquarters Will Be Built by Thompson-Starratt Company.

BUILDING PRICE TO BE \$1,339,000

Philip Hekey, Young Man of 20, Will Have Charge of the Construction, Which is to Be Seen as Possible.

New headquarters for the Union Pacific railroad in Omaha are to be built by the Thompson-Starratt construction company, of Chicago, builders of the new Brandeis theater. The contract calls for an expenditure of \$1,339,000, which is \$339,000 more than was originally intended for the new home of the Harriman line.

The enormous sum appropriated by the railroad to excise the price of the land, which, in itself, is a valuable piece of property. The site is at the northeast corner of Fifteenth and Dodge streets, on the location of the old Labor Temple.

While the Union Pacific will go ahead with its headquarters building and is also a party to the erection of the new Union depot at Kansas City, the hope for an enlarged station facilities in Omaha seems to be dwindling somewhat. Three roads, it is said, are holding back in ratifying the proposed improvements.

Orders to raise the old Labor Temple and the adjoining low buildings on Dodge street will be issued early in March. Excavations for the new twelve-story headquarters building will then begin. Jarvis Hunt, the architect, is expected to visit Omaha shortly in connection with the work.

Young Man Will Build It.

One of the noteworthy features in the letting of the contract to the Thompson-Starratt company is the announcement that a comparatively young man, Philip Hekey, will have charge of the big job. Ten years ago he was a humble clerk in a grocery store and began construction work as a timekeeper.

At 30 years of age Philip Hekey has more than any other of his age in the country. He is now enroute to Seattle to put the finishing touches on a steel structure for the American Steel and Wire company. After he has approved the building and formally turned it over to the company, he will come to Omaha to take charge of the new Union Pacific home.

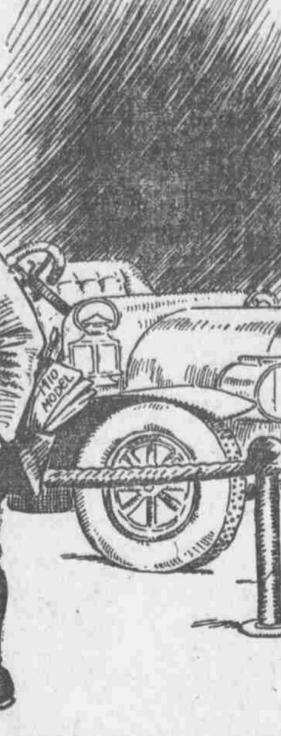
"The grocery business was too slow for me," he said, with a smile. "From the time I left grammar school until I was 20-I used to work behind the counter, but became tired of the job. Then I went to work as a time keeper for the Fuller Construction company in Chicago."

"I wanted to go to college and study engineering, but I couldn't spare the time."

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Defaulter Who Got Fortune on Twelve a Week

Clerk Who Wrecked Cambridge Bank Had Unique Scheme for Hiding Shortage.



From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

TEST CORN IN INCUBATORS

Mechanical Chicken Factory Likely to Be Put to New Use.

GEORGE H. LEE FATHERS PLAN

Points Out that Temperature of the Incubators is Kept Just Right to Get Best Results in the Seed Corn Tests.

George H. Lee has jumped into the game of helping solve the seed corn problem and has discovered that his Mendel Lee incubators are just the thing in which to test the seed corn at home. As nearly every prosperous farmer has an incubator, he may not only hatch his eggs, but during the time of incubation he may test about five batches of seed corn in the same incubator. The temperature is just right and there is plenty of moisture in the incubators to make the corn sprout.

Never has a crusade of any kind been started in Omaha which has so thoroughly been taken up all over the state as the campaign for better seed corn. It is finding a responsive chord in all sections of Nebraska and bankers, farmers, grain dealers, creamery men and the press are all lending all possible aid in securing as much publicity as possible for the campaign.

"Where can we get seed corn?" This is the question which is now being asked hundreds of times all over the state. It is not the purpose of the publicity bureau of the Commercial club to advertise any special grove of seed corn, but the tests made by the club show that there is a considerable amount of good corn other than that held by the seed houses, but in answering the inquiries the publicity bureau says:

COMMISSION FOR PIERRE. MITCHELL VOTES IT DOWN

South Dakota Cities Continue to Vote Upon New Form of City Government.

BERRE, S. D., Feb. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—On a second trial here on the commission plan of city government it was carried today by a majority of 215. The vote was not a heavy one, only about half the vote of the city being cast. While there was fear of strong opposition it did not develop from any sources and it was proposed.

The question of authorizing the Board of Education to expend \$40,000 for a high school building carried by over 400 majority, about 100 votes voting on that proposition.

MITCHELL, S. D., Feb. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The adoption or rejection of the commission form of government for this city was voted upon today at a special election of 216. There were 1,047 votes cast, with 681 votes against and 348 for the commission. Every one of the four wards of the city cast a majority against the commission. The campaign has been very brief and was conducted entirely through the newspapers, with no public meetings to discuss the proposition.

TAFT SPEAKS TO SUFFRAGISTS

President Promises After Agreement He is Not to Be Represented as Favoring Doctrine.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—With the strict injunction that he was not to be represented as favoring votes for women, President Taft today accepted an invitation to address the opening session of the annual convention of the National American Women's Suffrage association to be held in this city April 14.

Shaw's Speech Rouses Japan; Deny Designs on the Pacific

TOKIO, Feb. 24.—Special dispatches to the newspapers from the United States report a recrudescence of the anti-Japanese movement at San Francisco. Today all of the local papers featured the speech of Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, in which he is reported as having said that war between the United States and Japan was inevitable. The speech has caused a most gloomy impression among Japanese and foreigners alike.

The special quote Major General Franklin Bell as saying that war between the two countries was likely to break out at any moment. The press and public are unable

to understand the reasons for these violent utterances.

The Asahi Shimbun and Jiji Shimpō print long specials from San Francisco quoting the speech of Mr. Shaw at Morris-town, N. J., on last Tuesday. Commenting on this speech the agricultural history of Nebraska is at hand. It involves the selection of the securing of seed corn for the crop of 1910. The failure or success of the crop depends upon it.

Farmers Must Take Warning. "If the farmers heed the warning, Nebraska will continue prosperous, but if they do not, and they proceed to plant corn for seed that is selected at random, their crop will be a failure, and when a reduction in the value of the Nebraska crop is made to the extent of 50 or 60 per cent or more, the terrific loss will be felt in every section of the state."

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MINISTERS MAKE MOVE FOR PEACE

Philadelphia Clergy Propose Plans for Settling the Strike of Carmen.

BOTH INVOLVE ARBITRATION

Two Methods Suggested for Selecting Members of the Board.

STATE POLICE ARE ON DUTY

Less Disorder Than on Any of Three Preceding Days.

COMPANY IS HIRING MEN

Notice that Employees Who Are Hurt During Riots Will Be Cared For—By Disturbers Locked Up.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—The first open move to bring about a settlement of the street car strike in this city was made today when a committee composed of clergymen of many denominations offered two plans to the company and the strikers. The first plan calls for a board of arbitration to be composed of two judges, two clergymen, two business men and a seventh member to be chosen by the other side. It is proposed that each side select three of the arbitrators. This plan does not meet with approval, the clergymen suggest that a board of arbitration be agreed upon to be composed of the state railroad commission and four other persons, two to be chosen by each side. A man was arrested in the northern part of the city today on a charge of attempting to dynamite cars. It is said he implicated several other men.

Mounted Police in Charge

Mounted and amply equipped for any kind of service, the four companies of the Pennsylvania state police, numbering 300 men, arrived here today ready to assist the local authorities in maintaining order while the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company attempts to operate its cars.

The troopers are all picked men, veterans of the regular army, who have seen riot duty in all parts of the state. Their presence is expected to have a salutary effect upon the lawless element that has been wrecking street cars in different sections of the city.

Arriving in the railroad yards in the northern section of the city each company quickly detoured their horses while a curious crowd looked on. The command to mount was given and they clattered along the streets to the Second Regiment armory at Broad and Susquehanna avenue, where headquarters have been established during their stay here.

After the men had breakfast they were sent to Kensington. It is the first time the Philadelphia policemen have seen service in Philadelphia since they were organized five years ago. In Kensington they were distributed in squads in different sections of the great manufacturing center. Unless downright rebellion against civil authority arises, the troopers will not carry their carbines.

"We will not need our carbines," said Captain Linn G. Adams of Company C. "We do not expect serious trouble. I think the riot sticks and revolvers will be all the weapons we will need."

"Our men know how to take care of themselves as well as to handle crowds. They also obey orders without asking the why and wherefore of them."

For the first time the Rapid Transit company succeeded in running its cars until 6 o'clock on the Frankford line, which penetrates this unruly territory. At that hour cars on all lines were returned to the respective barns.

Rioters Are Captured.

Four policemen guarded each car and detectives patrolled the route all day in automobiles. Whenever a group of men formed anywhere on the street, the detectives rushed them and followed the ring leaders even into houses until they captured them. In spite of the vigilance of the police many car windows were broken and the company was finally obliged to use sheet-iron windows in place of glass panes.

While the police were busy keeping tracks clear for the lines in Kensington, the lines in other parts of the city were run on much reduced schedules and on several of the West Philadelphia and downtown lines no attempt was made to run cars all day, although these sections were comparatively quiet.

The shopping district on Market street was again the scene of almost continuous disturbances, especially at the noon hour. No one was seriously injured, however.

Bolts Thrown at Police.

Baldwin's locomotive works was the scene of disturbances during the lunch hour of the hundreds of employed men. A policeman was shot in the foot and about fifty shots were fired at laborers, who sought refuge on the upper floors of the buildings and buried bolts and nuts at the policeman who were standing cars in this district. Every time a head appeared at a window it was the target for a bullet from a policeman's revolver. The 1 o'clock whistle signalling the expiration of the lunch hour brought hostilities to a close.

The city high schools, which are attended by pupils from all sections of the city, which have been bombarding the cars with bolts. In order not to endanger the lives of the pupils who would be forced to ride on the cars, the Board of Education today decided not to open the schools for girls during the remainder of the week.

Late yesterday the Rapid Transit company issued a statement in which it is claimed that the strikers "cannot and will not win."

In part of the statement follows: "There is no possibility of this company dealing on any basis with the men who have engineered the events of the last three days."

"The men who have stood by us and the few men who have come to us may be sure that we shall stand by them. There will be no settlement which includes taking back the men who have led and encouraged mob violence."

Rioters Are Sentenced.

The heavy hand of the law pressed hard yesterday on some of the men and boys who have been arrested for rioting. Edward Carr, alleged to have been a ringleader in a riot in the Kensington district, was sentenced to six years in the county prison. John Kline was given two years and Ellis Atkins a similar sentence. A 17-year-old boy was sentenced to the reformatory for thirteen months for throwing missiles at a car, and other boys and men