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CONGRESS MEETS IN EXTRA SESSION

Clark Warns Democratic Members Party is on Trial in His Speech Accepting Speakership.

HARMON AND BRYAN ON FLOOR

Shadow of Coming Presidential Fight Visible About Capitol.

SENATE'S OPENING QUIET

Change in Personnel of Upper Chamber Marked

DEADLOCK PREDICTED

Length of Session Seems to Depend on How Long House Will Hold Senate with General Legislation Bills.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Sixty-second congress met in extraordinary session today.

The democrats took possession of the house and put Champ Clark of Missouri in the speaker's chair. In his speech accepting the honor he warned the democratic members that the eyes of the country were upon them; that the party was on trial and that it had an opportunity for the first time in sixteen years to prove its worthiness for a still higher expression of confidence.

Throughout the day the shadow of the coming presidential fight was visible throughout the session and there is no question but that maneuvers for political advantage will play an important part in the affairs of the house and senate in the next few months.

William J. Bryan of Nebraska and Governor Harmon of Ohio were leading figures on the floor of the house. Had Governor Woodrow Wilson been present the list of generally accepted democratic presidential possibilities would have been complete.

The senate's opening was quiet as usual. And while the leadership of the upper branch remains in republican hands, the change in the personnel was almost as marked as in the house. Hale, Aldrich, Beveridge and others of both the regular and progressive factions were missed.

President Taft's message, dealing with Canadian reciprocity alone, will be read in congress tomorrow.

The democrats of the house, however, have formulated an ambitious program, which includes the revision of schedules of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law.

Deadlock on Tariff Issue. Republican leaders of the senate have announced there shall be no tariff legislation. They declare they are not alarmed at the threat of the democrats to hold back reciprocity until action is secured on tariff bills. This difference promises soon to bring the two branches into conflict. A legislative deadlock is predicted, and the length of the session seems to depend on how long the democratic house will bombard the republican senate with general legislation bills.

From a political standpoint it is likely that one of the most important things the democratic house will do to order democratic house will be to order an investigation of the departments and branches of the government service. The democrats claim there have been no such investigations for twenty years and that a saving to the people will result.

The house session was devoted to the work of organization. The adoption of the new rules was put over until tomorrow.

The republicans will make their first fight on these. They resent the action of the democrats in increasing the membership of committees without increasing the percentage of minority representation.

Insurgents Act Independently. The republican insurgents in the house indicated their purpose to act independently by declining to vote for Mr. Mann for speaker and by giving their support to Representative Cooper of Wisconsin.

The insurgents gained a member when Representative Akin of New York, elected as an independent democrat and heretofore carried on the democratic rolls, cast his lot with them and chose a seat on the republican side.

Representative Berger of Wisconsin, the only socialist in the house voted "present" in the speakership balloting. He also chose a seat on the republican side.

The drawing for seats attracted interest. Because of their large majority it was necessary for thirty democrats to pre-empt a seat.

HOW CONGRESS IS DIVIDED.

The political complexion of the Sixty-second congress, convened in extraordinary session today, is as follows: Senate—Republicans 50, democrats 4, vacancies 1. House—Democrats 238, republicans 190, socialist 1, vacancies 2. In the Sixty-first congress, which was adjourned March 4, the senate membership was: Republicans 49, democrats 3, vacancies 1. The house membership was: Republicans 217, democrats 134. The senate vacancy is from Colorado, the legislature being democratic. Iowa is expected soon to elect a successor to the late Senator Dolliver, whose seat now is occupied by Lafayette Young. The house vacancies are from the Ninth Iowa and the second Pennsylvania districts.

Business Men Register Protest Against Charter

Governor Aldrich Grants Hearing at Which Question of Taxation for Omaha is Discussed.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—A delegation of business men protesting against the Omaha charter bill and asking that it be vetoed and several city officials and those who helped to draw the bill were given a public hearing in the governor's office this afternoon. Letters, petitions, tables of statistics and other information were left with the governor to aid him in deciding.

Those who were opposed to the bill, L. F. Crofoot, W. G. Ure, F. D. Weed, W. H. Harrison and A. W. Carpenter, protested because it allows a large increase in the tax levy maximum. They also attacked tax payers and Mr. Weed as a representative also of the Real Estate exchange.

Mr. Carpenter brought resentful answers from George Campen, assistant city engineer, and from John A. Rine, city attorney. With Mr. Rine in defending the charter and the city administration were Dr. R. W. Connell, health commissioner, a beneficiary under the increase in salaries, and F. W. Pich as a representative of the improvement clubs and one who had helped draw the charter. Mr. Carpenter said that with the exceptions of the Park commission and the Library board no city department was administered in a business like or economical fashion. He said that taxpayers would not protest against the money expended if they could be a little more sure that it is well spent.

Mr. Crofoot said the city taxes had been materially increasing for years and that there had been no corresponding increase in the efficiency and satisfactory results of the administration.

Assistant City Engineer Campen gave comparative figures to show that Omaha has no higher taxes in proportion than many other cities and to prove that his department, at least, is well regulated. The principal arguments against the bill were summed up in the increased levy maximum which would give councils with extravagant tendencies a chance to waste money. The raises in salaries were also objected to. The governor took the documents for consideration and must make up his mind by Friday. April 7, as he received the bill yesterday and is limited to five days for consideration.

France and Great Britain Want to Share in Reciprocity

Will Ask for Concessions Granted Canada Under Most Favored Nation Clause of Treaties.

PARIS, April 4.—At a meeting today of the joint commission on customs of the senate and chamber of deputies Deputy Pichon reported that reciprocity agreement with the American-Canadian reciprocity agreement had found that the United States gave to Canada advantages not accorded to France on a variety of articles. Thereupon the commission instructed their president to call the attention of the cabinet to this discrimination under the interpretation of the favored nation clause of the Franco-American treaty for examination and appropriate action.

LONDON, April 4.—Sir Edward Grey indicated in the House of Commons today that the British government contemplates asking the United States to accord Great Britain the reduced duties granted to Canada under the American-Canadian reciprocity agreement.

Replying to those who sought to draw him again into the much discussed subject, the foreign secretary said he was unable at present to make a definite statement, but added significantly: "There are contemplated points involved in the question of the most favored nation treatment now under examination. These must be settled before I can say what steps we shall take in laying our view of the matter before the United States government."

NEW SECRETARY ON THE JOB

C. D. Hillis of Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., Succeeds C. D. Norton as the White House.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—C. D. Hillis of Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., former assistant secretary of the treasury, today assumed the duties of secretary to the president, although Charles D. Norton, who retires from that position, did not actually leave office until tonight. The new secretary will get \$2,500 a year, an increase of \$1,500 over the amount paid Mr. Norton. Mr. Norton retired to become vice president of the First National bank of New York.

ALL OF NEBRASKA IS SOAKED

Rain to Depth of an Inch Falls West of Holdrege—Rain All Along the Platte.

Rain fell in a wide strip of territory in Nebraska Tuesday night. Reports of the showers sent in by the Union Pacific, Burlington and Northwestern railroads indicate that all of Nebraska except the northwest corner and the southeast corner received moisture.

All the Platte valley was wet, light showers falling in the eastern half of the state and nearly an inch west of Holdrege. Southern Nebraska received light showers.

NEBRASKA VOTES ON LIQUOR ISSUE

Municipal Elections Held in Various Cities Show Changes to Wet Column.

ALMA AND HARVARD CHANGE

Close Shave in the Home of the Former Governor.

CITY OF BEATRICE GOES DRY

Change Registered in the County Seat of Gage.

GENEVA INTO NEW COLUMN

County Seat of Fillmore Goes from the Dry into the Wet List—Other Results in the State.

Superior, Wet; Ponce, Wet; Harard, Wet; Giltner, Wet; Craigton, Wet; Alma, Wet; W. W. Wet; Wilber, Wet; Nehon, Wet; Genoa, Wet; Colfax, Wet; Papillion, Wet; Weiser, Wet; Edgar, Wet; Randolph, Wet; Beatrice, Wet; Tekamah, Wet; St. Edwards, Wet; Change.

Nearly all the towns of Nebraska voted on the wet and dry question yesterday and from early returns there was an apparent inclination to change to the wet column. Two changes were noted in early reports, when Harvard and Alma went into the wet column from the dry.

VALLEY, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Valley voted for a dry board today as follows: Ivar Johnson, 190; W. S. Eddy, 82; Dr. J. S. Aaga, 112; John Monahan, 72; E. Erway, 64.

PENDER, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Result of election: Wet, 139; dry, 16; one ticket. The vote stood: Wilton, 135; Halberstam, 125. Wet last year.

FALLS CITY, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The citizens ticket was elected: W. S. Leyda, mayor; John Whitte, clerk; Frank Schable, treasurer; E. H. Towle, engineer; councilmen, First ward, A. J. Weaver; Second ward, D. S. Reavie; Third ward, Matt Gehling.

LYONS, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Election went dry as usual. Citizens ticket elected two trustees; W. S. Newmyer, 109; Charles Shaw, 166; total votes cast, 123.

EXETER, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Only one ticket and three members were elected, Horton, Klots and Nugent. The wet majority is 23.

WILBER, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—William Bahacek, Joseph Cerny and John Houser were elected trustees without opposition. The board is wet.

Leidwich is Broken Bow. BROKEN BOW, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—At the municipal election held here today James Leidwich was elected over J. C. Bowen to mayor by a safe majority. Both men were on the citizens ticket. The socialists elected John J. Palmer as councilman from the Second ward. This was the only socialist elected on that ticket.

The citizens ticket elected for councilmen: Beck, First ward; Turner, Third ward, and Eastman, Fourth ward. The city remains dry as usual, the liquor question not being voted on.

This has been one of the bitterest municipal elections ever held here, the majority contest being largely a fight between the north and south sides of town.

WEPIFN OMAHA, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—F. H. Gorder was re-elected mayor. W. H. Lyman, clerk; J. M. Teegarden, treasurer; E. B. Taylor, police judge; councilmen, First ward, E. D. Reed; Second ward, E. F. Marshall and John T. Crozier; Third ward, A. E. Jameson. The license question was not a issue, a dry town.

It was voted to issue warrants for an electric light plant. The proposition to change the city from three to two wards failed.

Wets Win in Ponce. PONCA, Neb.—Everything went republican here today. The wets also won out. Mayor, H. H. Hart, 130; H. E. Nellie, 85; City clerk, A. M. Porter, 18; B. W. Kantz, 6; Treasurer, C. C. Aaga, 137; A. D. Cowdland, 82. Police judge: A. H. Hillis, 136; E. W. Waldeth, 84.

RANDOLPH.—With but one ticket in the field the following city officers were elected for the ensuing term: L. F. Holtz, mayor; W. J. Young, councilman; First ward, W. A. Hammond, councilman; Second ward, F. E. Ballard, city clerk; Henry Post, treasurer; J. H. Bourgh, police judge. The liquor question, which was the real issue, was submitted to the voters, resulting in 85 votes for and 125 against the granting of license.

SUPERIOR.—Superior went wet by 145.

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"Have a Care There, My Son!"



From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

DE LARA TELLS ABOUT BATTLE

Mexican Socialist in El Paso Relates Experiences of War.

REBELS ARE LEARNING TO FIGHT

Madero Now Allows Mountaineers to Follow Tactics of Guerrillas—Army Officers Investigate Converse and Blunt Come.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) EL PASO, Tex., March 21.—(Special Correspondence.)—L. Gutierrez de Lara, the Mexican socialist who fled to the United States as a political refugee after the Carranza strike, and who after repeated arrests in the United States fled to Mexico, is in El Paso fresh from the scene of the battle about Casas Grandes. After paying a short visit to his wife in Los Angeles he will return to the front.

De Lara, who preaches the brotherhood of man, admits that when the bloody fight started he dropped his gun for a moment and covered his eyes with his hand to shut out the horrible sight. "My God, it is cruel to shoot brothers like this," he is reported to have said. "I am sure the men of his command (the 3rd captain) Gine with frenzied zeal to repulse the onslaught of the federals, he snatched up the weapon and fought like a fiend and only retreated with the rest when hope of victory was gone and Madero's shattered forces were retreating in disorder. De Lara tells of his bravest after the arrival of Cuellar's reinforcements and of his escape at retreat.

"I was sleeping on the ground after the battle, when Madero awoke me and shaking my hand told me that he had observed the strong fire of my company. I told him I was ashamed that I had to retreat. He told me I was a brave man, that while the rest fired upon hated enemies, I fired upon brothers."

Settle Valuable Lesson. "I believe that Madero has learned to allow the mountaineers to fight in their own way until artillery is secured," he says. "In the attack upon Casas Grandes we used the same tactics as the soldiers, and they know better than how to fight in that way. The battle was a valuable lesson, and not such a costly one after all. "About 3 o'clock in the morning I approached the town, from which direction I do not know. I had about twenty men, one-half of whom were Americans. I was ordered to make a circuit of the town, which I located from a position within view of the church. We opened fire upon the church. I had expended about forty shells, very slowly and carefully, when I noticed that the hill back of the church was swimming with our people, and that we were between two fires. It was very difficult to pick off men from the tower of the church and very easy to hit the hill at the rear where our men were located. So I ordered the fire to stop and sent out scouts to look for a change in position. A young American, I don't know who he is, had joined my men, and he began to tell me what to do and what not to do. First I told him to mind his own business and later he followed me and continued sug-

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MEXICAN SOCIALIST WHO HAS AGAIN ESCAPED DIAZ



L. GUTIERREZ DE LARA.

Mexican political refugee, as he is known when he reached El Paso, after a dangerous tramp, with ten others dodging federal soldiers and rurales. Picture was taken in an alley back of the El Paso Herald office a few minutes after his arrival and before he removed his blanket. He is now hiding there, fearful that he will be kidnapped and taken to Mexico, where he is badly wanted for political activity.

Boy Dies of Grief, Girl Sweetheart Commits Suicide

Double Tragedy in Cleveland Follows Discovery of Lovers that They Are Half Brother and Sister.

CLEVELAND, O., April 4.—Shock and grief caused by the discovery that his sweetheart, Anna Neumeister, aged 17, was his half sister is believed to have caused the death of John Ott, who died on the street yesterday, according to the coroner's verdict today.

Unknown to Ott the body of Miss Neumeister had been taken from Lake Erie but a short time before he died. The discovery of their relationship had prompted her to take her life.

Ott became a boarder at the Neumeister home recently. Sunday the mother found him making love to Anna. She then informed the sweethearts they were related. Ott left the house and was seen no more till he was taken to the morgue a corpse.

Medical School Bill May Become a Law

Senate Committee Recommends Appropriation for Buildings at Omaha for Passage.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., April 4.—(Special.)—The senate committee on finance this afternoon concluded its hearings on the bill appropriating \$100,000 for building for the University of Nebraska Medical school at Omaha, and recommended the measure for passage.

The debates between Omaha and Lincoln doctors had between the homopaths and the regulars, which have been occupying much attention of the senators, were concluded and the arguments of the Omaha doctors prevailed. The bill seems likely to get through the senate.

BOILER EXPLODES KILLING THREE PERSONS IN DAKOTA

Locomotive Blows Up on Milwaukee Road Near Melotok with Fatalities.

ABERDEEN, S. D., April 4.—Fireman Wright of Melotok, S. D.; Frank Rollins of Fritchburg and an unidentified man were killed today when a freight locomotive boiler on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad exploded near Melotok, S. D.

FRUITLESS VOTING IN IOWA

DES MOINES, April 4.—Today's vote on United States senator by the Iowa legislature: Deane, 51; Kenyon, 64; Pardo (dem.), 36; absent or not voting, 8. Necessary to elect, 36.

HOUSE PUTS END TO SELLECK BILL

Measure for Nonpartisan Board of Control Indefinitely Postponed. by Committee.

BASE BALL FANS ON TO LINCOLN

Action in Lower Chamber Expected to Come Thursday.

OMAHA DELEGATION PRESENT

W. A. Bourke Among Men who Will Work for Sunday Games.

WOULD PASS BILL OVER VETO

Measure is Received from the Senate with Endorsement that It is Passed Over Governor's Objections.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The chance of the Selleck non-partisan board of control bill was settled this morning when the house committee of the whole indefinitely postponed it. This leaves the Prince bill, which is for an elective board of control the only one to be considered and will probably be passed by the senate.

The Selleck bill provided for a board to be chosen in some manner to be decided upon by the next legislature. Matrau, who has tried to get through a bill for an appointive board, tried also to get an amendment to the Selleck bill to give it the same effect, but was defeated. The vote on postponing the bill was 45 to 40. Both house and senate spent the morning in committee of the whole, considering minor bills.

May Kill Prince Bill

The senate was well agreed that the board of control should not be elective, but appointive, to insure a real non-partisan character. For that reason there is some talk among senators of both parties about killing the Prince bill. Some sort of a non-partisan board is a democratic party pledge, however, and the Prince bill may get the benefit as the sole survivor and the last chance for such necessary legislation.

Base Ball Fight is Hot

The house received the Barclay base ball bill from the senate this morning with the endorsement that it had been passed over the governor's objections. It probably will come up in the house this afternoon. A delegation of Omaha citizens, among whom was W. A. Bourke, owner of the base ball team, arrived in Lincoln this morning.

Interest in the chances of passing the Sunday Base Ball bill in the house is growing as the outcome seems to be getting more and more uncertain. In the senate the bill gained two votes after the veto. In the senate it received fifty-four votes, passed and then lost six more to go through. On the third reading there were six democrats who failed to support the bill and they all declare that they will maintain their opposition.

The enthusiasts who are interested in getting the bill through are numerous and come from nearly every large town and base ball league town in the state.

The men who are managing the progress of the bill are waiting until the most favorable moment shall come. When the bill shall be taken up is a question which a majority can settle at any time. It was thought that today would bring a vote, but some of the men needed for the sixty were absent and now Thursday is supposed to be the chosen time.

Bureau Wins Again

The fight between the legislative reference bureau and the State Historical society had a very brief inning in the senate this afternoon. The bill establishing the reference bureau, H. R. 418, making it permanent, was ordered to third reading. The bureau offered an amendment to prevent the director of the bureau from drawing bills, the one activity in which he has been busily engaged during the session, but was voted down. Amendments to settle a division of property between the two were offered, but several senators protested against bringing into the senate the unpleasant personalities of the quarrel between the secretary of the association and the director of the bureau.

Commission Bill to Pass

The commission form of government bills, one by Banning and backed by the Omaha Ad club, and the other by Tanner and referring only to South Omaha, were both placed upon third reading by the house today. This practically assures the passage of both bills and there will be no more opportunities to amend them. The Banning or Ad club bill, the one drawn originally by John P. Breen, but so much changed that it is hardly the same measure, will apply to every city in the state over 4,000 in population, giving it the right to adopt a commission government, according to specific regulations.

The Omaha water board cannot be legislated.

THE WEATHER

FOR NEBRASKA—Snow or rain; colder. FOR IOWA—Rain or snow; colder. Temperature at Omaha, yesterday.

Table with columns for Hour, Deg., and Comparative Local Record. Shows temperature from 1 AM to 10 PM and various weather records.

COMPARATIVE LOCAL RECORD.

Table with columns for Station and Temp. High, Low, Rain. Lists weather conditions for various locations like Cheyenne, Denver, Dodge City, etc.

RAIN TO DEPTH OF AN INCH FALLS WEST OF HOLDBERGE—RAIN ALL ALONG THE PLATTE.

Rain fell in a wide strip of territory in Nebraska Tuesday night. Reports of the showers sent in by the Union Pacific, Burlington and Northwestern railroads indicate that all of Nebraska except the northwest corner and the southeast corner received moisture.

Printer's Devil Enlists in Civil War from Omaha

When J. Fred Behm went into the volunteer army from Omaha in the summer of 1861, he was a printer's "devil," aged 12. He was also quite handy with the drum sticks, and being too young and small to carry a musket, he was accepted as a drummer.

"Just now I'd rather talk about the newspaper we used to get out in a lot at Thirteenth and Douglas," said Mr. Behm. "Judge A. N. Ferguson was the printer, proofreader, editor and pressman, having one assistant as typesetter, a young man named Arthur White. The paper was called the Telegram, and had some dispatches every morning of which we boasted considerably. We had a Washington press, and struck off about 300 copies every morning at 2 o'clock. Then I hustled over to a stage station on Eleventh between Howard and Harney, and another on Twenty-third, just north of Cummins street, with a small package of the papers to deliver them personally to the drivers."

"In those days it was a trouble some hike out to Twenty-third and Cummins on stormy mornings, but, after being captured by the confederates in Missouri, I had to take a walk under circumstances so much worse it makes my feet sore now when I think of it. I'll tell you about that some other time."



J. FRED BEHM.

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