

IRON AND STEEL BILL IS REPORTED

Measure Drafted by Democratic Members of Ways and Means Committee is Submitted.

DRAFTED ON REVENUE LINES

Underwood Says it Will Produce Potential Competition.

MINORITY REPORT IS FILED

Republicans Advise Waiting for Report of Tariff Board.

NOT JUSTIFIED BY HEARINGS

Exceptions Taken to Statement that Bill Applies Largely to Products of the United States Steel Corporation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The democratic iron and steel tariff revision bill was favorably reported to the house today by chairman Underwood of the ways and means committee.

"A survey of the iron and steel industry," says the majority report filed with the bill, "shows convincingly that it has reached a position of such strength and independence that the industry does not need the helping hand of the government in order to stand in competition with foreign countries."

"The committee feels warranted in recommending that the duties be placed upon a distinctly revenue basis."

"The report declares that the rates should be made low enough to permit potential competition from imports for the sake of natural and proper regulation of domestic production and consumption."

"It is believed that the rates provided for in this bill are competitive and if enacted would effect a substantial economy to the people greatly disproportionate in its advantages to the apparent loss of revenue."

Minority Report Filed.

Later in the day the seven republican members of the committee filed their report. It declared that the steel schedule should not be revised without a report from the tariff board and that the bill was framed without hearings and was in no way justified by the full hearing three years ago before the committee."

WOMAN ACCUSED OF ROBBING THAW HOME SURRENDERS

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Mrs. Nellie Prince, who is said to be under indictment at Pittsburgh for being implicated in the burglary of the home of Mrs. William Thaw and E. J. Kaufman, wealthy department store proprietor, surrendered to the Chicago police late today.

"The police here had been searching for the woman after several days on information sent from Pittsburgh. When she gave herself up, she declared that she was innocent of the charge against her."

HEIRS FOUND AFTER HUNT OF THREE YEARS

SIoux FALLS, S. D., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—After a three years' search the heirs have been found of the estate of Gus Frank, for years a well known resident of Aurora, who three years ago took his own life. One of the heirs is a brother and there also are two sisters of the dead man. They now are proving their relationship. The three will share equally in the distribution of money belonging to the dead man, which is in charge of the authorities of Brookings county.

The Weather

Table with weather forecasts for Nebraska, Iowa, and Omaha, including temperature and precipitation data.

Comparative Local Record.

Table showing comparative local weather records for 1912, 1911, 1910, and 1909, including highest and lowest temperatures and precipitation.

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Table with reports from various weather stations at 7 P.M., including station name, temperature, and wind direction.

The National Capital

Thursday, January 25, 1912.

The Senate.

In session 2 p. m.

The House.

Met at noon. Iron and steel tariff revision bill was reported by the ways and means committee.

Retailers Advised to Combine Against Mail Order Houses

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 25.—If the country merchants are to save themselves from being swept out of existence by the big mail order houses, they must organize for their own protection.

"I am forced to believe that if the farmer and laborer but understood the situation afloat the mail order business would be short lived.

"The lumber dealers cannot do this work alone. All retail associations must get together in the national federation. There are a million of you when thus united. Lay aside your party differences and do something for the retail merchant."

Mr. Knox Furnishes Facts About Sending Soldiers to China

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Secretary Knox, in response to the senate foreign relations committee's request for information concerning the recent dispatch of American troops to China, made a report to the subcommittee today.

"The committee probably on Wednesday will take up Senator Hitchcock's resolution, in which he contended President Taft had no right, without authority of congress or treaty, to order troops to China unless there was an emergency requiring protection of American lives and property."

Part of Ft. Niobrara Reservation is Set Aside for Wild Birds

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Three new national bird reservations, two in Alaska and a third one a portion of the abandoned military reservation at Fort Niobrara, Neb., have been created by President Taft and placed under the Department of Agriculture.

"The Nebraska reservation is in the heart of the prairie chicken country and furnishes the only refuge which has been established for the fast disappearing game bird," said Dr. Henshaw, head of the biological survey today. "It will be tenanted by sharp tailed grouse and quail and offers conditions suitable for a satisfactory range for big game."

PROHIBITIONISTS DEVISE SCHEME FOR PAIRING

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Three million votes in 1917 is the shibboleth of the prohibition party, whose campaign is being directed from the national headquarters here. To this end prohibitionists in each state are pledging themselves to attempt to gain a certain number of votes.

"One of the new features of the prohibition campaign this year will be a 'pairing agreement.' The temperance workers believe there are many members of each of the two big parties who would vote the prohibition ticket if they felt that any equal number from the other big party would do the same.

TRAINED NURSE SHOT; HUSBAND UNDER ARREST

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 25.—The police are investigating the death of Mrs. Edith Marvel, 28 years old, a trained nurse who was found dead in her home today with a bullet in her head. Two notes were found, one stating that her husband had lost his affection for her and that she was now at liberty to bestow them on another woman, the other states that her husband was not responsible for her act.

IONIAN ISLAND SHAKEN UP BY EARTHQUAKE

ZANTE, Greece, Jan. 25.—A most violent earthquake caused a great amount of damage in the Ionian Islands today. Rhokos were felt here as well as on the islands of Loukas and Cephalonia, where much property was destroyed. No fatalities have yet been reported.

ALDRICH TAKES A HAND IN DOUGLAS

Governor Will Request Attorney General to Assist Grand Jury in Investigating Violations.

OFFICIALS ARE HELD NEGLIGENT

City and County Officers' Failure to Enforce Statutes is Reason.

WOULD HAVE RESORTS PROBED

Will Look Into Charge Liquor Sold at Illegal Hours.

COMPLAINTS OF PRIZE FIGHTS

State Executive Convinced Has No Authority to Appoint Special Prosecutor, but Believes Proposed Action Right.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Governor Aldrich late this afternoon said that he had decided to request the attorney general to take a hand before the Douglas county grand jury in investigating the numerous rumors of law violation in Omaha and which it is alleged the city and county officials cannot or will not prevent.

"The principal complaint which it is expected to bring to the attention of the grand jury is the charge that liquor is sold in questionable resorts without payment of a license, that the Sunday and 8 o'clock closing laws are ignored, that money was corruptly paid in connection with the procuring of saloon licenses, and that the social evil flourishes without let or hindrance."

Complaints of Prize Fights. There have also been complaints that prize fights have been pulled off in Omaha and South Omaha. The sheriff and police have promised they will be on hand when alleged boxing matches are held and will stop them and arrest the principals if they go over the line into the realm of fights.

The governor had originally been urged to appoint a special prosecutor to take charge of these matters, but he was convinced he had no such authority and his right to appoint anyone to assist the county attorney was questioned unless possibly it was in response to the request of the county attorney. The matter in this respect is similar to that of Eunice Murphy in Cherry county, when he was urged to appoint an attorney to prosecute her on a murder charge after the judge on the motion of the county attorney had notified the case. He was convinced he had no such authority, but it is the opinion that the right of the attorney general to go into a county and take a hand in enforcing state laws is unquestioned.

TWO MORE SAFE DEPOSIT VAULTS FOUND INTACT

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Two of the three vaults of the Mercantile Safe Deposit company in the Equitable building were thrown open to holders of safe deposit boxes today, part of the debris having been cleared away and a long line of persons began taking out securities. Police guarded the work and box holders were required to present cards of admission issued by the company. Although some of the boxes were dripping with water, there was apparently no damage to the contents.

A little guinea pig that had lived sixteen days without food or water, was taken from its wire cage in the ruins of the Equitable building today. The animal, which was to have been used for experiment purposes, was found by a chemist attached to the medical department when he visited the ruins of his laboratory. It greeted its rescuer with squeals of delight. It is probable the little survivor will never be subjected to another experiment.

KNOX SENDS CHAMPLAIN VOUCHERS TO CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Secretary Knox, by authority of the president, today presented to the house committee on expenditures in the State department the vouchers amounting to \$20,000 expended at the Lake Champlain celebration in 1906. The vouchers were for the most part costs of wine, travel and entertainment of guests at that celebration. Secretary Knox said that heretofore all expense accounts would be scrutinized closely before their nature was kept before the public.

Taft WILL SPEAK IN COLUMBUS WEDNESDAY

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 25.—President Taft today accepted the invitation of the Ohio constitutional convention to speak before it on constitutional revision next Wednesday. This was the same time that had already been assigned to Governor Harmon and agreement to the president's acceptance could not be made until the governor was consulted. Governor Harmon postponed his address to the convention until February 6.

WOMAN HUNDRED AND TEN YEARS OF AGE IS DEAD

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Dicy Dunlap, the oldest resident of Morgan county, died here today. She would have been 100 years of age February 10. M. F. Dunlap, long identified with state and national democratic politics, is a grandson.

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BRYAN TRIES TO MAKE PEACE

Nebraskan Attempts to Patch Up Clark-Folk Row in Missouri.

MISS HIS TRAIN IN ST. LOUIS

Commence Says Third Term Rule is Vain Object Against Roosevelt—Six Transcend in Tailor Shop.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 25.—William Jennings Bryan, after he had missed a train here today, tried to patch up the difference between the factions of Speaker Champ Clark and former Governor Joseph W. Folk, who are seeking Missouri's endorsement for the democratic presidential nomination.

The three-time democratic candidate was met at the depot by Mr. Folk, who conferred with him for more than an hour. Later two of the leading supporters of the former governor were called into the conference. A short time after the Folk men departed two local leaders for Speaker Clark, Lieutenant Governor Lon V. Stephens and Virgil Kille, had a private talk with Mr. Bryan. National Committeeman Edward F. Giltra was the last democrat who conferred with Mr. Bryan.

No statement was issued after the conference, but it was intimated that one might be made later. Mr. Bryan became so absorbed in his talk with Folk that he missed his train. He would not talk for publication about democratic politics, but registered a protest against the Roosevelt boom.

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HARAHAN'S BODY IS LAID TO REST IN MEMPHIS

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 25.—Funeral services for James T. Harahan, former president of the Illinois Central railroad, who was killed in a wreck near Kinmundy, Ill., will take place here late this afternoon. A special train conveying Mr. Harahan's body arrived in Memphis today.

Among those who have arrived here to attend the services were J. Ogden Armond, Edward Morris, John Cuddey, George H. Swift, H. U. Mudge and James Patten. The services will be conducted by Bishop Thomas F. Gallor of the Protestant Episcopal church of Tennessee, at the home of Captain W. H. Mallory, Mr. Harahan's father-in-law.

Mr. Harahan's second son, J. T., Jr., is ill in a Chicago hospital and was unable to come. Interment will be deferred pending the arrival here of Mr. Harahan's daughters, Mrs. A. Nichol and Mrs. A. N. Dale, who are in Europe.

WOMEN CONTINUE DEBATE ON RATES

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Attempts by some of the leaders, especially among socialists, to reduce the percentage failed, though they declared the recall machinery as stipulated was too cumbersome ever to be effective. Another amendment adopted provides that the miners' convention be held every two years, instead of annually.

FISHER AND HITCHCOCK TO VISIT CANAL ZONE

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CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Mrs. John Staples of Des Moines, Ia., made her home three days in a passenger station here and finally, without funds to procure food for herself or the 5-year-old child accompanying her, she appealed to the police for aid. She said her husband, a barber, sent for her, but failed to meet her. The police have been unable to find him.

Rate Experts from Six States to Discuss Classification Rule

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 25.—Railroad rate experts from six middle western states, composing a special committee of the National Industrial Traffic League, met here today to discuss the rate ruling known as western classification No. 51, which is to go into effect February 15.

County Treasurers Quit

Officers are Elected and Lincoln Fixed on as Next Meeting Place.

SOME NEW LAWS ARE PROPOSED

Auditor Barton Attacks Insurance Law and Declares that He People are Not Properly Protected.

Three Women Say They Married Man Guilty of Larceny

FARGO, N. D., Jan. 25.—A. J. Murray, said by Northern Pacific detectives to be the head of a gang that has robbed shippers of more than \$100,000 worth of butter in the last three years, were convicted in the district court here today on the charge of grand larceny. He will be sentenced Saturday.

Woodmen Continue Debate on Rates

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MANCHUS AWAIT REPUBLICANS

Imperial Government Will Not Take Initiative, but is Preparing to Resist Attack.

Premier is Again in Favor

Yuan Sh. Kai is Created a Marquis by the Throne.

ABDICATION EDICT EXPECTED

Chinese Republicans Say it Will Be Issued Before Monday.

ATMOSPHERE IS CLEARING UP

Arrangements Said to Be Nearly Completed for Dual Control Under the National Convention Acts.

PEKING, Jan. 25.—The imperial government has decided, apparently, not to take the initiative of seeking a battle with the revolutionary forces. The imperial generals have been ordered to wait the advance of the republican troops, but military preparations are proceeding actively throughout northern China.

Premier Yuan Shi Kai continues in favor with the court. He was created a marquis today and was notified of the honor conferred on him by Prince Chun, the ex-regent, who informed him that the throne desired in this way to mark its appreciation of his loyalty and labor in its interest.

Joint Loan Offered.

A responsible foreign financier has offered China a large loan for the purpose, in the first place of paying off the overdue loan coupons, the balance remaining to be divided equally between the imperial government and the revolutionaries, both sides to accept full liability for the advance.

The imperial government agreed to accept the offer, which was then submitted to the revolutionary leaders, who tersely replied that they did not want the loan.

Abdication Edict Expected.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 25.—It is expected here in republican circles that an imperial edict announcing the abdication of the throne will be issued before the armistice between the imperialists and republicans expires, which, as now arranged, will be on January 30 at a 10 o'clock in the morning. Shortly after that date it is believed a meeting will be arranged between President Sun Yat Sen and Yuan Shi Kai, at which details will be drafted for the establishment of a kind of coalition government, controlling the north and the south.

Yang Shao Yi, who is still acting as Yuan Shi Kai's representative here, and Dr. Wu Ting-fang, the republican minister of justice, expressed themselves this afternoon as extremely hopeful.

Atmosphere is Clearing.

It is understood that the negotiators who are endeavoring to bring about an understanding between Peking and Nanking, have succeeded in clearing the atmosphere of the misunderstandings which have hitherto existed. Whether an eventual agreement between the two parties will be reached cannot be foreseen.

Officers are Elected.

The next place of meeting was selected, Lincoln being chosen upon motion of Frank A. Fursy of Omaha. The executive committee will name the date of the meeting. Officers were elected as follows:

President—P. A. Sommerlad, Lancaster.

Vice President—Simon Fishman, Cheyenne.

Secretary—E. R. Hirschman, Cedar.

Treasurer—Lafe Paist, Valley.

Member of executive committee to fill vacancy—C. A. Schappel, Pawnee.

State Treasurer Walter A. George recommended that the present law be changed so as to compel the county clerk to have the tax lists completed and turned over to the county treasurer not later than October 1, for the reason that "floating" taxpayers are moving about, getting located for the next year." He said the fact that the clerk turned over the lists only about a month before the taxes became delinquent was responsible for the great loss in collections. The condition of the funds held by his office, derived from the counties, was explained and a review of the work by his department was made.

Barton Attacks Insurance Law.

Silas R. Barton, state auditor, outlined the campaign he will wage before the legislature for new laws, which he believes are necessary. The majority of the recommendations he will make will be for "insurance legislation." He attacked the insurance laws now existing, declaring they had been drafted by insurance companies and were dangerous, discriminatory and palpably unfair. He said the people of Nebraska had paid out within the last two years \$24,475,000 for insurance and had received back \$15,400,000.

A legislative committee was provided for, to be named by the executive committee. The number of the committee was not designated nor were its duties defined.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That this association extend to the people of Omaha and their honorable mayor, the representatives of the Klapp-Bartlett company, the Union Pacific railroad, the Omaha National bank, the Home building, the Lion Bonding company, Harry Nisley, general agent of the Maryland Casualty company, Harry S. Byrne, general agent of the Equitable Surety company, the Dalton Adging Machine company and the press their sincere thanks for their kindnesses in assisting to make this convention so successful.

SIXTH IOWA REPUBLICANS ENDORSE PRESIDENT TAFT

OTTUMWA, Ia., Jan. 25.—Sixth congressional district republicans, meeting here today, adopted resolutions pledging support to President Taft. It was the first of a series planned for Iowa districts in opening a campaign to secure Taft delegates to the national convention, the promoters announced.



"By crookery, we've got to stop this equal rights business. Why, they'll be wantin' to eat with us next!" From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Correct Figures Sunday

Bee—1,356 inches Display. Next paper—1,352 inches Display. Third paper—738 inches Display.

Last Week

Bee—4,572 inches Display. Next paper—3,551 inches Display. Third paper—4,039 inches Display.

Last Month

Bee—24,941 inches Local Display. Next paper—23,074 inches Local Display. About 1,500 inches "indecent medical" advertising refused by the Bee were run by the "Next Paper." The "third paper," also, has started taking this class again.