



NEW TARIFF BILL IN THE HOUSE.

Consideration of the Measure to be Proceeded With as Soon as Possible.

NO LENGTHY GENERAL DEBATE EXPECTED

Indications that Party Lines Will be Eliminated—Each Member of House to Fight for Interests of His Own District—Minority May Not Report on Separate Bill—Payne Bill in Operation Would Yield \$862,065,885 Revenue for the Fiscal Year 1910.

Washington, March 18.—That party lines will be eliminated during the consideration of the Payne tariff bill by the House today was indicated by the action of Representative Broussard of Louisiana in withdrawing today from the meeting of the tariff committee because he differed with its views on the tariff.

Little Prospect of Lengthy Debate.—With few exceptions, each member of the house will fight for the interests of his home district. There is little prospect of any lengthy general debate on the bill and the consideration of the measure under the five-minute rule for amendments will be proceeded with as soon as possible, probably by the end of the present week.

Minority Report.—Unless a "suspense" rule for the prevention of unlimited amendments under the five-minute rule is brought in, the minority members of the ways and means committee will not report on a separate bill.

The report will be drafted by the minority leader, Mr. Clark, and it will severely criticize the wool schedule in the new bill.

The Finance tax, Philippine free trade, internal revenue and maximum and minimum features of the new bill are endorsed by the minority leaders, and there has been much favorable comment upon the measure by democratic congressmen.

Deficit for 1910 About \$10,000,000.—The ways and means committee, in its report, estimates that the entire revenue to the government for the fiscal year 1910 will be \$1,221,794,000. The deficit for 1910 will be about \$10,000,000.

LOOKS LIKE DISAGREEMENT.

SECOND DAY OF SUSPENSE.

Jury in the Case of Cooper and Sharp Still Out.

Nashville, Tenn., March 18.—Another day passed and no intimation of an agreement came from the room in which twelve men are trying to decide the fate of Col. D. B. and Robin Cooper and John D. Sharp for the alleged murder of former United States Senator E. W. Carmack. This was the second day of suspense and the feeling of growing uneasiness had become an agreement. Counsel on both sides, however, as well as the court, hold that there will be a verdict.

WOMEN SPECTATORS

KISSED THE ATTORNEY

Who Defended Man Charged With Murder Who Was Acquitted.

Chicago, March 18.—Dramatic scenes accompanied the acquittal here today of Luman C. Mann, charged with the murder of Mrs. Frances Gilmer Thompson last June. The evidence against Mann was circumstantial; his defense an alibi. The jury took but one ballot.

With the words "not guilty" from the lips of the juror in Judge McSherry's court became one of excitement bordering on hysteria.

"I've been a man, but years from now you will hear of me as an honest citizen," said Mann in thanking the jury. Tears were rolling down his cheeks and his voice made it almost impossible for him to speak.

"We knew you were innocent," said one of the jurors, his tears flowing freely. Other jurors fervently applied handkerchiefs to their eyes as Mann returned to his mother, throwing his arms about her neck and crying like a child.

Woman who has been constant attendant at the trial, weeping and all trying to talk at once, made a rush for Attorney Erbstein, who defended Mann. Several of them tried to kiss him, and it is said some of them succeeded before he made his escape. Meanwhile the bailiff was shouting for order, to which nobody paid any attention.

FINAL ECHO OF NEW YORK

INSURANCE SCANDAL.

Request That Indictments Against George W. Perkins Be Dismissed.

New York, March 18.—What is probably a final echo of the insurance scandal in New York was heard today when District Attorney Jerome appeared before Justice Blanchard in the criminal branch of the supreme court to request that the indictments for forgery in the third degree found against George W. Perkins of the New York Life insurance company be dismissed. Mr. Perkins, a director of the New York Life, and Robert A. Granville, vice president of the Mutual Life insurance company. All these indictments were found by the grand jury in December, 1906, after the Armstrong insurance investigation, and have been carried through the higher courts since then.

AN OLD HOTEL BURNED.

Centennial House at Old Hurley Dated Back to 1718.

Kingston, N. Y., March 18.—A number of nearby houses were threatened when the Centennial house at Old Hurley, three miles south of Kingston, was destroyed by fire today. The house, one of the oldest in New York state, was totally destroyed by fire today.

Active work by a bucket brigade of volunteers kept the flames from spreading. The burned building was erected in 1718, and had been used continuously as a hotel since the days before the revolutionary war.

NO BEER FROM TRAIN BUTCHER.

Peddling of Liquor on Mexican Railroads to be Discontinued.

Mexico City, March 18.—An order has been issued prohibiting the sale of liquor by train butchers on the Mexican National Lines in Mexico. Heretofore beer, tequila and mezcual have been sold indiscriminately on trains by the train butchers. The sale of liquor on the sleeping cars will not be discontinued.

NED DEARBORN TO ENTER GOVERNMENT WORK.

Chicagoan, March 18.—Ned Dearborn, assistant curator of the division of ornithology at the Field museum of natural history, has resigned to take a place July 1 as expert on the economic relations of birds in the biological survey of the United States department of agriculture.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN MINISTER TO SERBIA ASSASSINATED.

London, March 19.—Special despatches from Berlin state that the Lokal Anzeiger publishes the report that the assassination of the Austro-Hungarian minister to Serbia, has been accomplished. Nothing of a confirmatory nature is obtainable here.

BALKANS SITUATION CONSIDERED BRIGHTER.

Vienna, March 18.—The situation tonight is considered more hopeful.

NO DEPOSIT GUARANTEE IN NOVADA.

Carson City, Nev., March 18.—The senate yesterday killed the deposit guarantee clause of the banking bill. Every republican voted against the bill, as did three democrats.

Cabled Paragraphs

Peking, March 18.—It is reported here today by an excellent authority that a representative of the Russian railroad administration in Manchuria and the Chinese foreign board have reached a modus vivendi in the matter of the administration of the municipality of Harbin.

PLAZA HOTEL PATRONS BADLY FRIGHTENED.

Fire Broke Out in Fifth Avenue Apartment House Nearby—Thrilling Rescue by Means of Extension Ladders.

New York, March 18.—Fire early today in an apartment house on West 27th street, near the Fifth Avenue apartments, caused the serious injury of four persons, saw some thrilling rescues and brought more or less fright to the patrons of the fashionable Plaza hotel, which immediately adjoined the burning building.

The fire started in the fifth floor of the apartment house and quickly extended to the upper floors. Twenty-four families occupied the building, and when the alarm was given the tenants, panic-stricken, fled to the building. Most of them escaped safely but John W. MacDonald, formerly a well known newspaper man, but now unemployed, in company with his wife, his son, John R. McDonald, and Mrs. J. W. Simpson and her daughter, were cut off by the flames. It seemed as if they must perish in the flames, but the firemen, by means of extension ladders, Mr. McDonald and his son were taken from the fifth floor. Mr. MacDonald was seriously burned and was carried into the Plaza hotel, where physicians attended to him.

CHILD'S HAT FOUND IN BUGGY.

Hundreds of telegrams and telephone messages have been sent to the police in various cities asking their assistance in the search for the boy and his abductors.

The first fruit of these came tonight, when Chief of Police Crain of this city received word that the vehicle in which the kid was taken away had been recovered at Warren, Ohio, with the child's hat on the buggy seat. All the seats of the police and detectives in the city were searched, but the hat was not found. Warren, Ohio, and those in charge of the chase think that the kidnaper has but a slender chance. To the boldness and success in getting the child out of Sharon without a falling serious suspicion.

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The man in the buggy had a dark complexion, dark hair and a stubby nose. He was stockily built. He spoke excellent English and was evidently an American born.

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San Salvador, Republic of Salvador, March 18.—Izalco, a volcano in Salvador, is reported to be in violent eruption. Izalco is ten miles north of Sonsonate.

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DEPORTING THIRTY-SIX CHINESE.

Los Angeles, March 18.—Thirty-six Chinese left here last night for San Francisco in the custody of United States marshals. The unusually large number of prisoners was due to the presence of the score of Chinese arrested at San Luis Obispo recently. The prisoners will reach San Francisco today, and will sail at once for the Orient.

8 Year Old Boy Kidnapped

SON OF ATTORNEY WM. WHITTLE OF SHARON, PA.

\$10,000 RANSOM DEMANDED

Boy Spirited Away from School by an Unknown Man—Mother Receives Letter Written in Strange Hand.

Sharon, Pa., March 18.—Ten thousand dollars' ransom is demanded for the return of William Whittle, Attorney Whittle's son, who was spirited away from school here this morning by an unknown man, furnishing a mystery which the detectives of the country are being asked to solve. Accompanying the demand for ransom is a covert threat that the boy will be killed unless the money is produced.

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ARRIVED ON THE REGULAR WASHINGTON EXPRESS.

FIRST TRIP FROM WHITE HOUSE.

Greeted at Jersey City by Great Throng—Swarm of Policemen Gathered Around Him—In New Haven Today.

New York, March 18.—President Taft on his first trip away from the White House came to New York today to attend in his first public address as president a democratic predecessor in the high office which he now fills, the late Grover Cleveland.

Accompanied by Mrs. Taft, President Taft, accompanied by Mrs. Taft, Miss Boardman of Washington, Wendell Mitchell, his confidential secretary, and Captain Archibald Butt, his military aid, in full uniform, reached Jersey City at 1 o'clock the regular Washington express, to which was attached a private car he had provided at his personal expense, being five minutes late. Mr. Taft traveled in the "constitution," the car he used during 10,000 miles of campaigning last fall, and from which he made more than 400 speeches.

Speaks to Callers on Tariff Bill.

Speaking to some of his callers on the train today, President Taft said he believed that the tariff bill as introduced in the house of representatives was unquestionably a "revision downward." The president was made acquainted with the principal provisions of the bill before it was finally approved by the committee on ways and means. The president feels that the revenue to be derived from the proposed federal inheritance tax will be largely in excess of the amount that has been estimated.

Great Throng Awaited His Arrival.

Arriving at Jersey City, the presidential party was greeted by a great throng. Heads were bared as the president passed along the station platform. He did not follow the Roosevelt precedent of wearing a hat with the ermine engineer. It would have been practically impossible for him to do so, even had he desired, for a swarm of black and white policemen gathered about him as soon as he alighted.

President in New Haven Today.

Mr. and Mrs. Taft and the other members of the party entered automobiles and, taking the Twenty-third Street car, reached New Haven at 10 o'clock. Mr. Taft, in West Forty-eighth street, where the president and his wife are spending the night. Tomorrow morning the president will go to New Haven, Conn., to attend a meeting of the Yale corporation. It will be the first visit of a Yale graduate as president of the United States.

WEALTHY GEORGIA WIDOW ARRESTED IN NEWARK.

Had in Her Possession Jewels Which Were Lost on Train.

Newark, N. J., March 18.—Mrs. Frances J. H. Taft, a wealthy widow of Atlanta, Ga., was arrested here tonight at the criminal court here tonight for her appearance to answer to a charge of grand larceny. She was arrested on the train between Newark and New York City. She was found in her possession a chatelaine bag belonging to Mrs. Andrew Roosevelt, which she had lost on the train between Atlanta and New York City.

LIEUTENANT REID, U. S. N., HAS HIGH CRUSHED.

Naval Aide to President Taft Probably Fatally Injured.

Washington, March 18.—Lieut. Sumner Reid, U. S. N., naval aide to President Taft, was probably fatally injured today while riding with several other officers in a Rock Creek park. His horse stumbled and fell upon him, crushing his left thigh and injuring him internally.

CUBAN MUTINEERS SURRENDERED LAST NIGHT.

Leader of Uprising Soldiers and His Band Captured.

Havana, March 18.—Sergeant Corbett, leader of the Cuban mutineers, and his whole band surrendered last night to the civil authorities of Remedios, in Santa Clara province.

UNION DEPOT DESTROYED.

\$400,000 Fire at Louisville—New Station to be Built.

Louisville, Ky., March 18.—By the destruction here tonight, at a loss of \$400,000 of the Union depot, the local terminal for five of the country's leading railroads, Louisville will probably benefit by a new union station. This was decided tonight by the Commercial club, half an hour after the building at Seventh street and the Ohio river was a mass of smoking debris.

Hearing Goes Over Until Next Week.

Hartford, March 18.—The hearing which was scheduled for today in regard to the proposed constitutional amendments concerning the term of office of the treasurer and controller of the state concerning poll taxes and concerns the qualifications of electors was postponed until next week. The hearing was held on account of various other hearings which were taking place and went over until next week.

Condensed Telegrams

Premier Stolypin is rapidly recovering from an attack of influenza.

A Thousand Rural Guards are said to have surrounded the rebels in Santa Clara province.

Justice Spencer of the Supreme Court in a decision at Ballston, N. T., declared the mortgage tax law to be unconstitutional.

The Assembly at Sacramento, Cal., Wednesday passed a bill making a misdemeanor for one man to treat another in a saloon.

King Edward Saw Flights of the Wright aeroplane at Pau and showed enthusiasm over the success of the American inventor.

The Federal Circuit Court Decided in Richmond, Va., that shipments of liquor into "dry" territory, on bona fide orders, were legal.

The Annual Report of the United States Steel corporation showed 1908 to have been the worst year as to profits and production in the trust's history.

The Pennsylvania Legislature in joint session formally declared George T. Oliver of Pittsburgh elected United States senator to succeed Philander C. Knox.

The Porto Rican Government is being forced to close night schools, the Insular library and other public institutions owing to the failure to pass the deficiency appropriation bill.

The Decision Has Been Reached by the management of the Archduke, Tokoku and Santa Fe Railway company to postpone indefinitely its contemplated issue of \$25,000,000 4 per cent convertible bonds.

Capt. Charles H. Nelson, said to be a descendant of Admiral Horatio Nelson, died Wednesday at the home for aged people in Roxbury, Mass., aged 78 years. He was the possessor of many valuable letters and documents written by the hero of Trafalgar.

SILVER MEDAL FOR HEROISM PRESENTED MISS MCCANN.

Speaker Cannon, Who Made the Presentation on Behalf of Congress, Afterwards Kissed the Blushing Recipient.

Washington, March 18.—For heroism in saving the lives of nine children during the burning of the General Slocum at New York, Miss Mary McCann was presented by Speaker Cannon today on behalf of congress with a silver life-saving medal. She was only a little girl, 14 years old, recovering from scarlet fever on North Brother island. Today she is a young woman, but notwithstanding her former illness, she was at the conclusion of the presentation ceremonies, the speaker took her blushing face between his hands and kissed her. The presentation ceremony took place in the speaker's rooms at the capitol.

DELEGATION AT SAGAMORE HILL

Prominent Republicans and Democrats Call on ex-President.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., March 18.—Theodore Roosevelt this afternoon received at his home on Sagamore Hill "Roosevelt's Neighbors of Nassau County, New York," a delegation of 250 prominent men, republicans and democrats, whom he had planned to receive at the White house on March 3, but who failed on account of the storm, to reach Washington in time. To them the former president from the veranda of his home, made his last public utterances prior to his departure for Africa. His remarks were mainly of appreciation of the visit, but he assured them that he intended to disprove the gloomy forebodings of Professor Starr, who declared that Mr. Roosevelt will not come out of Africa alive if he follows the itinerary he has mapped out. He promised those present that if he proved he was right in a year and a quarter they would celebrate together. From this remark it appears that Mr. Roosevelt will be absent from the United States no longer than fifteen months.

PITTSBURG GRAFT SCANDAL.

Extremely Sensational Reports That About the City.

Pittsburg, March 18.—The grand jury investigation of alleged embezzlement and corruption was concluded today. The grand jury returned a verdict against Judge L. L. Davis tomorrow morning and interesting developments in the graft scandal of Pittsburg are expected to follow immediately.

Rumors tonight, impossible of confirmation, are extremely sensational. One report is to the effect that at least ten prominent in the affairs of the city are to be arrested. In all quarters it is generally believed a number of indictments will be returned.

A few hours before the investigation closed today Councilman John F. Klein recently twice convicted since the graft exposure, were made by the voters' charge of contempt of court, without bail.

GOV. LILLEY IN NEW JERSEY.

Will Rest a Week at American Institute of Hygiene.

Hartford, March 18.—It was made known here tonight that Gov. George L. Lilley, who went to New Jersey today, is staying at the American Institute of Hygiene, at Summit, N. J., where he has gone for a complete rest. While the governor is out of the state, Lieut. Governor Weeks of Middletown will take his place.

\$40,000 FIRE AT BALTIMORE.

Warehouse of Baltimore Transportation Company Damaged.

Baltimore, March 18.—Fire today did damage estimated at \$40,000 to the three-story warehouse of the New York & Baltimore Transportation Co., Hughes street, near Light and its contents. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

Short Flight in the Silver Dart.

Baddeck, N. S., March 18.—F. W. Baldwin, chief engineer of the aerial experiment association, made a short flight at dusk this evening in the Silver Dart. This is the first time this aeroplane has been tried by anyone excepting Douglas McCurdy.

Trade Schools in Connecticut

ARGUMENTS ADVANCED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

FOR AND AGAINST THE BILL.

Hartford, Conn., March 18.—That the establishment of trade schools in the state would mean much in increasing the industrial efficiency of Connecticut, that the establishment of such schools had the endorsement of men high in the circles of labor throughout the country, and that such plans would give a fair chance for education with a view to becoming skilled labor to a large proportion of our children in the state who would not otherwise have a chance, and that the project was favored by manufacturers in the state representing 50,000 wage earners and about \$50,000,000 capital, were arguments advanced to the legislative committee on education by the advocates of the bill now before the committee which provides for the establishment of such schools by the state board of education and the running expenses to be paid three-quarters by the state and one-quarter by the town.

Views of Secretary Hines.

Secretary Hines of the state board of education, who opened the hearing, said that the establishment of such schools would result in bringing Connecticut into a greater state of industrial efficiency.

Expense of Such Schools.

As to the expense of such schools, a plant equipped for a class of between twenty and thirty pupils for the teaching of patterns, would cost about \$2,500, while a plant for teaching plumbing could be equipped for about \$500 for a like class. Between \$10,000 and \$15,000 would support a large school, accommodating 150 or more pupils.

Other Speakers in Favor.

Others who spoke in favor of the bill were George Woodruff of Litchfield, Miss Anna L. Warren, president of the Waterbury Institute of Crafts, and Industry; Miss Mary C. Wells, Connecticut state secretary of the Consumers' union; and Miss Julia Cochran, deputy factory inspector.

MEMORIAL MEETING IN HONOR OF DEAD PRESIDENT

Mark 72d Anniversary of Birth of Late President Grover Cleveland.

New York, March 18.—Notable analogies were rendered here today to mark the 72d anniversary of the birth of the late President Grover Cleveland. At the memorial exercises, President Taft, Governor Hughes, Chief Justice Fuller and Mayor McClellan, among others, were present. The memorial exercises were held at Carnegie hall, where the ceremonies were.

A second meeting was held tonight at the College of the City of New York, at which speeches were made by Governor Hughes, Senator Woodruff, Mayor McClellan, Judge Gray of Delaware, William B. Hornblower, the Rev. Daniel J. Quinn, president of Fordham university, and Edward W. Shepard.

TURNED TO DEATH IN HOTEL FIRE.

Tonahop, Nev., March 18.—Isaac Pisek was burned to death and six others were burned or injured in a fire which destroyed Linday's hotel and two adjoining buildings, at Miller, near here early today. The fire broke out in the hotel dining room during a dance and caused a panic. Pisek was rescued after heroic work by some of the merrymakers, but soon died.

Factory Damaged by Fire.

Rochester, N. Y., March 18.—The factory occupied jointly by the International Burton company and the M. R. Sh