

ASKED \$5000 FOR BACKUS HOSPITAL

Convincing Arguments Made Before Committee on Appropriations for Renewal of Appropriation from State—No Opposition Develops.

(Special to The Bulletin.) Hartford, March 22.—Convincing arguments as to why a renewal of state aid at the rate of \$5,000 a year should be granted to the William W. Backus hospital at Norwich were presented to the appropriations committee of the general assembly Wednesday afternoon.

Revenues Not Now Sufficient. Winslow Tracy Williams told of the experiment of trying to get along without state aid, as it was believed possible (in 1905) to do, and believing that possible, it had not been thought just to continue taking such state money for a time the revenue was sufficient to meet the expense of maintaining the hospital, but at the present time it is insufficient, so state aid is again to be asked.

Extra Expenses Have Been Entailed. Supt. Frederick Symington stated that the hospital was not asking more than it gave up, whereas some hospitals that were receiving \$5,000 a year when the Backus hospital gave up its appropriation are now receiving more.

DAT SURVIVED ATTACK ON THE OLD TEXAS.

Walked Out of Turret After the Bombardment Was Over.

Washington, March 22.—These are some of the things that Secretary Meyer saw when he went on board the Old Texas between volleys yesterday.

The dummies representing sailors in the fighting top of the ship unscathed, notwithstanding the great number of volleys fired at the ship. This was a tribute to the excellence of the gun pointers' work, for they were ordered to confine their fire to the hull and turrets.

Shells Cause Interior Fire. A raging fire inside the ship caused by the explosive shells which penetrated her sides and made it impossible for the observers to go below the main deck to inspect the damage.

A shell somewhat broken inside of the conning tower, whose nine inch steel wall it had pierced on one side. This was not an explosive shell, but a number of holes clear through the hull from one side to the other, the greatest damage being done on the further side of the ship.

Animals and Fowl Killed. Some dead animals and chickens killed by the interior explosions. Some of the animals, however, were unharmed. A cat walked quietly out of one of the turrets, whose base had been smashed by the 21 inch shell.

The further experiments to be made with the ship will be confined to attacks on the armor belt and turret. No effort will be made to raise the San Marcos. It would cost several hundred thousand dollars to float the ship and restore her to her original condition, and she is not worth it.

New Wesleyan Alumni Record.

Middletown, Conn., March 21.—Prof. F. W. Nicolson of Wesleyan university has completed his work in compilation of material for the new Wesleyan Alumni Record, and is expected that the volume will be published in May. This will be the first complete alumni record published by the college since 1888, and should be the "last word" concerning the records of both graduates and non-graduates of the college.

The edition was authorized by the trustees a year ago, and Professor Nicolson has put in a good deal of work in preparation for the volume.

State Banks Want to Be National.

Washington, March 22.—More than eighty state banks in Oklahoma are asking to be taken into the national bank system, and treasury officials attribute the situation to the new bank deposit guarantee law recently passed in that state.

Astratford.—The mother of Captain Moses Hart, who lives in New Canaan, has reached her 100th birthday.

NOTICE The way Little Folks Enjoy Post Toasties with cream or milk. This sweet, crisp food tickles the palate as few others do. "The Memory Lingers" Postum Cereal Company, Ltd., Battle Creek, Michigan.

SCATHING ATTACK ON MAYOR GAYNOR.

Magistrate Corrigan Says Gambling Joints and Vicious Resorts Flourish. New York, March 22.—In a statement to the public which he issued tonight Magistrate Joseph E. Corrigan holds Mayor Gaynor responsible for a disorganized condition of the police force and responsible for the prevalence of vice and crime in the city.

More Open Than Under Devery. "The town is by far more open than it was under Devery," there is the statement, "and Gaynor rules the force. He has curtailed the power of the commissioner, attempting to exercise it himself, and by so doing he has demoralized the force and made easy the way of the transgressor."

Beggars and Panhandlers. "The town is infested with sturdy beggars and panhandlers; criminals from all over the country ply their vocations here in safety; murders, shootings, stabbings, gangs, high-way robberies, burglaries, assaults and larcenies from the person grow in number, undetected and unpunished."

DELEGATES TO WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE CONVENTION. One Connecticut Lady to Attend Session at Stockholm, Sweden. New York, March 22.—The National Suffrage bureau announced today that the list of delegates and alternates to the International Woman Suffrage alliance, to be held at Stockholm, Sweden, June 12 to 17, inclusive, is completed with the exception of the representative from the National College Equal Suffrage League, who will be appointed by Carey Thomas, president, on her return from Egypt.

Chicago, March 22.—Attorney Charles E. Erbstein and Arthur McBride, who for two weeks had been on trial on charges of conspiracy to defame State's Attorney Wayman, were found not guilty today by a jury which was out less than an hour.

Chicago, March 22.—The juvenile population of Chicago, according to a sociological report compiled from the school census, shows no diminution. The total juvenile population is placed at 24,115, most of whom were born in this city.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT THANKS RED CROSS. Grateful for the Aid Sent to the Famine Sufferers. Washington, March 22.—The American Red Cross today received the thanks of the Chinese government for its assistance to the starving people of the Celestial empire.

STORM IN MINNESOTA'S HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Charges That Committees Were Packed in Interest of Special Interests. St. Paul, Minn., March 22.—The calm of the lower house of the legislature was upset in a decided way today when Representative Kiemer charged that the most important committees of the house are packed in the interests of special interests.

Lightning Strikes An Ocean Liner. Foremast of the Oceanic Splintered Outside of New York Harbor. New York, March 22.—With her foremast rigging carried away and the saloon skylights smashed, the transatlantic liner Oceanic arrived today with a story of a bolt of lightning which raked the ship suddenly yesterday morning.

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