

FUNDS FOR CANAL WORK.

SENATE BILL \$11,000,000.

Isthmian "Press Agent" Defines His Duties to Committee.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The emergency appropriation bill, to provide the Isthmian Canal Commission with the funds to carry on the construction of the Panama Canal, will contain no general legislation. This was decided by the Senate Committee on Appropriations at a meeting lasting all of today, at which it was agreed to report the measure appropriating \$11,000,000, the amount named by the House bill. The first section of the bill, in relation to the issuance of bonds, was stricken out. A bill containing this section was introduced in the Senate by Mr. Teller, and it will be dealt with by the Finance Committee. The bill was amended further to provide that in the future no expenditures shall be made for the canal except by authority of Congress, and when appropriations have been made by Congress.

Secretary Taft of the War Department, Theodore P. Shonts, chairman of the canal commission; Joseph B. Bishop, secretary, and other officials of the commission, including the purchasing agent and the assistant purchasing agent, were before the committee and were subjected to pointed inquiries as to the manner of making expenditures. Mr. Taft and Mr. Shonts urged that the appropriation be increased to \$16,500,000, the amount named in the bill before it was amended in the House. They admitted, however, that \$11,000,000 would be sufficient to carry on the work until April. In view of the fact that Congress will have plenty of opportunity to legislate by that time it was determined not to restore the \$5,500,000 cut out by the House.

Mr. Bishop, who had been referred to in House debates as a "press agent" for the commission, was asked to define his duties. It was shown that in addition to acting as secretary he is a sort of diplomatic agent charged with meeting any possible contingency that may arise. In the absence of Mr. Shonts and W. Leon Pepperman, the assistant chief of administration, Mr. Bishop said he assumed their duties in Washington, even to the extent of signing checks, and that he dealt directly with the Secretary of War in relation to canal matters.

Mr. Bishop said he was the historian for the commission, and assembled data of all kinds that might be of use for any purpose. He admitted that to some extent this information was used for the public press. In his capacity of literary secretary Mr. Bishop said that he was not expected to create public sentiment, but to keep it normal. In explanation he said that there had been a determined effort on the part of the opposition interests to direct public feeling against the canal, and that before he entered the employ of the government his services had been sought by those interested at more liberal compensation than he is now receiving.

When asked to name the opposition interests, Mr. Bishop specified the Nicaragua, the Tehuantepec and the Darien canals, and ventured the surmise that the transcontinental railroads were also concerned in the opposition to the canal. In reply to questions as to the activity of the railroads, he said that he had no positive information that they were opposing the canal enterprise.

Mr. Shonts defended the action of the commission in employing a literary secretary, saying that practically every railroad or corporation of any character found the services of such an agent "of inestimable value." The appropriation committee took up the question of the making of reports by officials of the canal commission and in that regard the provisions of the bill adopted by the Senate Committee on Inter-oceanic Canals in the last Congress were agreed upon. These provisions were placed in the House bill as amendments and enter into detail in the manner of requiring reports to be made to Congress. If the Finance Committee reports promptly the Teller bill in relation to the bonds it is possible that in the interest of time the Senate may be returned to the bill as a new section and the other amendments decided upon by the Appropriation Committee dropped temporarily, to be dealt with later by the Isthmian Canal Commission. The effect of this would be to place the Appropriation Committee on record against general legislation and to give the bond feature of the House bill the endorsement of the Finance Committee and at the same time avoid a new bond bill in the House.

The bill, being a general deficiency measure, was referred to Senator Hale, who has charge of deficiency bills on the floor of the Senate, but as he is chairman of the committee to select committees, which has not yet completed its work, he asked to be excused. Senator Allison, chairman of the committee, therefore will have charge of the bill on the floor. It will be reported to the Senate early to-morrow.

GOVERNOR WRIGHT AT WORK.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Luke E. Wright, Governor General of the Philippine Islands, who arrived in Washington last night, was an early caller at the War Department today, where he had a conference with Secretary Taft concerning matters in the archipelago. He will be present at the opening of the railroad construction on the island on November 15. Later he will go to his home in Memphis, Tenn.

SENATE PASSES FIRST BILL.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The Senate today passed its first bill for the session. It was a measure authorizing the construction of a railroad bridge in Arkansas. Mr. Tulliver took the oath of office for his new term as senator of the State of Arkansas by his colleague, Mr. Mallory, before the Vice-President, who administered the oath.

LILUOKALANI ASKS FOR \$10,000,000.

Washington, Dec. 12.—A petition from ex-Queen Liluokalani asking for the payment of \$10,000,000 to her was presented to the Senate today by Vice-President Fairbanks. The petition was accompanied by a letter requesting early and favorable consideration.

MANY CONSUMPTIVES HELPED.

State Hospital in Adirondacks Shows Encouraging Figures—105 Patients Discharged.

The trustees of the New York State Hospital for Incipient Pulmonary Tuberculosis in the Adirondacks have issued their completed statistics for the first year, which is as follows: There were admitted 207 patients, more than half of whom were incipients. There were no deaths. Of the 105 patients discharged, fifty-two were apparently recovered. Twenty-six arrested cases are reported. Sixteen improved, while eleven left without any improvement. The treatment consists mainly of outdoor air, wholesome food and rest. Patients have three full meals and two or three luncheons a day, and 90 of the 105 gained an average of 10.57 pounds each. This is certainly most encouraging and shows that incipient consumptives at least can be cured. There is another treatment, perhaps almost as good. Stay home, use cold baths in the morning, get as much outdoor exercise as possible, a generous diet and the continuous use of Scott's Emulsion will doubtless check the progress of the disease and may permanently cure. At any rate it is easy to try it.

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ASTOR PLACE AND FOURTH AVENUE.

JOIN ON STATEHOOD BILL.

Republicans in House Will Present Solid Front on Measure.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Republican members of the House have determined to hold a caucus on Thursday to "get together on the Statehood bill." It is broadly intimated in this connection that the real purpose of the caucus is to permit certain members of the House, including some of the leaders, "to get in out of the rain."

It appears that certain members of the House made an inspection tour of Arizona and New Mexico last fall, and returned to their homes convinced that it would be unjust to combine these Territories without the consent of at least a majority of the voters in each Territory. Representative Tawney, who was of the party, gave out an interview in Kansas City, in which he said he was convinced that "neither Territory was ripe for Statehood," and other members of the party declared themselves unalterably opposed to a compulsory joining of these two Territories, although all were in favor of granting Statehood to Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

RUSH PHILIPPINE BILL.

House Leaders Decide to Cut Hearing to Limit.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Realizing the danger of impeding the Philippine tariff bill by protracted hearings in committee, House leaders in charge of the administration measure introduced by Mr. Payne, of New York, have decided to give only a limited time to hearing persons who desire to present arguments affecting the measure. The present programme is to begin hearings on the bill before the committee on Ways and Means to-morrow and report it Monday. This will, it is believed, insure the passage of the bill by the House before the holidays.

A surprise was sprung on the interests opposed to the measure by the announcement that hearings would begin at once, the committee having met to-day for the first time and decided on this procedure. It had been expected by some of the beet sugar men opposed to the bill, who had opened headquarters here, that no action would be taken until after the holidays. Both the tobacco and sugar interests, however, have a number of witnesses prepared to testify. The committee has decided to give preference to the interests opposed, as it has already heard those in favor of the proposed reduction. The cane sugar men of the South are represented by D. D. Colcock, secretary of the American Cane Growers' Association, who will be heard to-morrow. Mr. Colcock will present an alternative proposition recommending the retention of the 75 per cent of the Dingley rates now collected on these two articles to 25 per cent, with the further provision that, after July 11, 1909, two days after the treaty provision with Spain will expire, Philippine sugar and tobacco shall go on the free list.

OBJECT TO COTTON REPORTS.

Southerners Fear New Estimates Will Upset Business—Send Protests.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Representative Lovering's resolution, introduced in the House yesterday, for the preparation of a new cotton estimate to be issued on January 10, 1906, has called forth a number of protests to Southern members. The Charlotte (N. C.) Cotton Exchange and Board of Trade sent the following dispatch to Representative Webb, of North Carolina: We wish to protest against any further estimates by the agricultural Bureau this season, as they tend to upset business conditions, and ask that you use your influence to defeat any resolution introduced for this purpose. The Charlotte Bonded Warehouse Company sent Mr. Webb this telegram: Note proposed new department cotton estimate January 10. Estimates of Miss Giles, "Times-Democrat" and department near together. Census not yet proved them correct. Business has been blocked all season by reports and resulting fluctuations. If new estimate by department ordered, production will be held up until new report and its effect are over.

DELAWARE AND HUDSON CHANGES.

Albany, Dec. 12.—Vice-President Culver of the Delaware and Hudson to-day announced the following appointments: Arthur Kemper, superintendent of transportation; A. T. Benjamin, superintendent of the Saratoga and Champlain divisions, with office at Albany; D. F. Wait, superintendent of the Susquehanna Division, with office at Albany. Superintendent Benjamin made the following appointments: S. D. Curtis, assistant superintendent of the Champlain Division, with office at Plattsburgh; D. H. Kelley, assistant superintendent of the Saratoga Division, with office at Albany; and J. Wallace, assistant superintendent of the Susquehanna Division.

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DOMINICAN TREATY UP.

Senator Lodge Uncovers Democratic Opposition.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Senator Lodge called up in executive session of the Senate to-day the treaty with Santo Domingo, which has rested on the executive calendar since the adjournment of the special session last spring. In asking the Senate to consider the convention with a view to its prompt ratification, Mr. Lodge pointed out the necessity of making certain amendments and of amending some amendments already attached to the measure, suggesting the possible advisability of sending the treaty back to the Committee on Foreign Relations, with a view to having the necessary changes made there. This suggestion met with prompt opposition on the floor, and Mr. Lodge immediately acquiesced in the proposition that such changes as might be necessary be made on the floor of the Senate.

The brief debate on the subject to-day demonstrated an unexpected opposition on the Democratic side of the chamber, the Democrats appearing to be well lined up against the agreement. It is also intimated that there are some Republicans who are at least indifferent to the fate of the convention, and it was made manifest to-day that the prospects for ratification are, to say the least, not flattering. The friends of the convention are convinced, nevertheless, that they will secure its ultimate approval. Ratification, which requires the consent of two-thirds of the Senate, can be effected only by the entire Republican vote and at least four Democratic votes in addition, as the Senate stands to-day, with vacancies in the representation of Delaware, Oregon and Wisconsin. That is, it would require the full fifty-four Republican votes and four Democratic votes as well. Nor will this be changed if, as is expected, the vacancies from Wisconsin and Oregon are filled, the one by a Republican, the other by a Democrat.

Consideration of the treaty to-day was comparatively brief, as its opponents called for certain data which Senator Lodge will prepare before the subject is again taken up. It is expected that to-morrow, and perhaps the remainder of this week, will be devoted to discussion of the Panama Canal Emergency bill, but Senator Lodge will endeavor to secure further consideration of the Dominican convention next Monday at the latest. While yesterday most Republicans regarded the early ratification of the convention as assured, to-day there are many to be found who declare that no predictions can safely be made as to the ultimate outcome of its consideration. Meanwhile, the situation in Santo Domingo is reported as becoming daily more precarious, with the prospect that any prolonged delay will lead to a situation there decidedly prejudicial to the final ratification of the convention by that government.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE MEETING.

New Trustees Elected—Mr. Carnegie Gives Dinner to Well Known Persons.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The board of trustees of the Carnegie Institute to-day elected Professor Welch, of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, a member of the board in the place of the late John Hay. Cleveland H. Dodge was elected secretary in place of Dr. Charles D. Walcott, who resigned that office to become a member of the executive committee. Dr. Robert S. Woodward, the president of the institution, was elected a trustee. Appropriations aggregating \$20,000 to aid in research along scientific lines were made. Andrew Carnegie, founder of the institution, gave a dinner at the Willard to-night to the trustees and to invited guests. The latter included Mrs. Roosevelt, Vice-President and Mrs. Fairbanks, Speaker and Miss Cannon, Secretary Wilson, Mrs. Hitchcock, Andrew D. White, of Ithaca, N. Y.; Lyman J. Gage, former Secretary of the Treasury, and D. O. Mills, of New York.

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HARBOR RELIEF HELD UP.

Representative Burton Says He Is Powerless at Present.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Small hope of enacting legislation to regulate the harbor towing nuisance in New York Harbor in accordance with the plan adopted at a conference of representatives of shipping men in the office of Commander Harry H. Hoisey, Friday, is held out by Chairman Burton of the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House. Mr. Burton has received from Gustav Schwab, who represented the interests of the transatlantic lines at the conference, a letter relating to the plan agreed upon, by which it is proposed to deepen the Coney Island Channel so that the fleet of towing vessels with their barges of refuse from the city might be directed to a dumping ground off Sandy Hook Lightship, thus relieving congested conditions on the main thoroughfare of travel. Mr. Burton replies that he is powerless to do anything at the present time. When the River and Harbor bill was framed Mr. Burton tried to aid New York by incorporating a provision that the supervisor of the port should be authorized to regulate the lengths of tows within the harbor and to limit towing vessels to certain channels, but this was stricken from the bill before its passage on the point of order that it was not germane to the bill, and was within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. The desired legislation is deemed especially difficult to obtain because it falls within the jurisdiction of two committees. A member of the Rivers and Harbors Committee expressed that, in order to obtain the deepening of the Coney Island Channel, with an appropriation of \$145,000 and \$10,000 a year for maintenance, it would be necessary first to have a bill passed authorizing a survey. The survey would necessarily take some time, and only upon its completion could a bill be passed appropriating money for the harbor improvement. There is no expectation of a River and Harbor bill at this session or for several sessions, and immediate relief for New York Harbor seems unlikely.

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