



WHERE WORDS FAIL. Bryan—Nope; I've nothing to say.

TWINS TO THE BLACK HILLS

A Railroad Project to Link Them Together Formally Incorporated.

W. T. Coad Finally Gets His Plans in Shape to Permit This Step.

Connect at Chamberlain, S.D., With Milwaukee's Line to Minneapolis

Another Black Hills railway project has been launched under the name of the Federal Railroad company, with headquarters at Rapid City. The capital stock is \$15,000,000. The incorporators are William T. Coad, Charles E. Mattison, J. B. Hume, Rapid City; Joseph H. Muhle, Forrest O. Murdock, Chicago.

CUBAN BILL DECIDED UPON

Ways and Means Committee Votes to Report the Reciprocity Measure.

Messrs. Tawney and Metcalfe Two of the Five Voting in Negative.

Twelve Members, Including One Absentee, Recorded in Affirmative.

Washington, March 31.—The ways and means committee to-day voted to report the Cuban reciprocity bill, 11 to 5.

"Insurgents" Meet. About thirty republican members of the house opposed to reciprocity met this afternoon to determine upon their course in view of the ways and means committee action in reporting the Payne bill.

SHRINK FROM PUBLIC POST

Some Republicans Reluctant to Accept Office at the President's Hands.

Holding Off Till They See How the Political Tide Will Turn.

From The Journal Bureau, Room 45, Post Building, Washington.

Washington, March 31.—The good places in public life which President Roosevelt has to offer just now to the right men are numerous. These places are actually or prospectively vacant.

Secretary of the interior, commissioner of pensions, minister to Madrid, ambassador to Italy, ambassador to Mexico, commissioner of immigration, first assistant postmaster general.

Besides these there will be a minister to Cuba and several consuls soon to be appointed, and at least one assistant secretary in the treasury is likely to seek a new incumbent.

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Washington Mail Talk. Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Dunn of St. Paul are in Washington on their way home from Florida.

RAIL AND LAKE

Things Done and Left Undone at the Conference of Managers.

Special to The Journal. New York, March 31.—The conferences of Buffalo last week of the managers of rail and lake lines were not barren of results.

Another Nicollet Deal. Another big deal on Nicollet and Eleventh street has just been made by H. E. Ladd at a good figure.

DES MOINES VOTING. Adherents of Hartenbower and Brenton Wage a Fast Fight.

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VETS OF '61 WANT JUSTICE—NO MORE

Commander Ell Torrance Discusses the Present Situation With Regard to Pensions.

He Denies That He's a Candidate for Pension Commissioner or Any Other Office.

Judge Ell Torrance, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, is not a candidate for any political office. He laughs at the idea of his being appointed pension commissioner, and says that he would not accept the position under any conditions.

Veterans Ask Simple Justice. All the veteran soldiers of the union desire is that the laws be justly and fairly administered according to their reasonable intention.

Pension Report Discussed. The report of the G. A. R. pension committee was submitted to the president this morning.

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DOUBLE GRIEF NO FIGHTS

Widow of Chief Surgeon Dies at Sea Beside Her Husband's Body. Gov. Van Sant Says Finish Affairs in Minneapolis Must Stop.

New York Sun Special Service. San Francisco, March 31.—The death of Mrs. Pope, widow of Colonel B. F. Pope, chief surgeon of the army in the Philippines, whose remains she was accompanying to meet the Kilpatrick and curbed March 19 when the transport was in mid-ocean and forged a double bereavement for two sons and other relatives and friends who awaited the sad home-coming of Mrs. Pope.

FOR VAN SANT. Senator Buckman Outspoken in Favor of Governor's Renomination.

Washington, March 31.—Senator Buckman of Little Falls, before leaving Washington for home, authorized by a joint resolution of the senate, to be in favor of the renomination of Governor Van Sant, and would use all his influence to that end.

TRIED FOR MURDER. Three Young Men Called to Account for Hallenbeck's Death.

Hudson, N. Y., March 31.—Willis, Burton and Fred Van Wormer and Harvey Bruce were brought into court here to-day to answer the charge of murdering Peter A. Hallenbeck on Dec. 24, 1899.

AGUINALDO AS WITNESS. Pino Chief in Court, but His Evidence Not Allowed.

Manila, March 31.—Aguinaldo, with General Chaffee's permission, was in court to-day in answer to a subpoena calling upon him to testify in the suit brought against Senor Valdes, editor of a Spanish weekly paper here, by two Filipino members of the United States Philippine commission.

JONES PROBABLY BEATEN. Arkansas Senator Not Likely to Be Re-elected.

Little Rock, Ark., March 31.—Returns from a majority of the counties indicate a victory in the democratic primaries for ex-Governor James P. Clark for United States senator over Senator James K. Jones, though his majority on joint ballot probably will not exceed 12. In several large counties the vote is so close that the official count is awaited.

COULDN'T FIND HIS AFFINITY

Nevada, Iowa, Woman One of Christian Nelson's Thirteen Wives.

Nelson, a Bachelor Till 56, Was Unfortunate in His Selections.

New York Sun Special Service. St. Joseph, Mo., March 31.—Christian C. Nelson, who is probably married to thirteen women, confessed that he is a bigamist, but defends his conduct vigorously.

Three Years in the Penitentiary. St. Joseph, Mo., March 31.—C. C. Nelson, who was brought here from San Antonio two weeks ago, charged with bigamy, pleaded guilty to having three wives to-day and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

CARRIE LARSEN'S DEATH

Trial of Alleged Murderer of Former Minneapolis Girl.

Chicago, March 31.—The story of the murder of Carrie Larsen, as believed by the authorities, was presented to a jury to-day by Assistant State's Attorney Barnes. Louis Toombs, trial for the murder, listened unmoved.

PROBABLY IT'S EDDY. Two Thousand Norwegians Hired to Work in Canada.

Christiana, Norway, March 31.—Two thousand laborers have been hired here for railroad work in Canada by an American congressman.

PINO GOVERNMENT

Both Republican and Democratic Bills Reported to the Senate.

BETTER WATCH RUSSIA. Sixty Thousand Rifles Landed at a Persian Seaport.

Bombay, March 31.—It is asserted that Russia landed the steamer Korniloff and landed 60,000 rifles at Bender, a seaport of Persia, on the Persian gulf.

NO REGRETS

Democrats Not Weeping Over the Defeat of Chairman Jones.

From The Journal Bureau, Room 45, Post Building, Washington.

Washington, March 31.—The defeat of Senator Jones brings no sorrow to the democrats here, who hope for party reorganization. He will probably also retire from membership in the democratic national committee, of which he is chairman, and a great scramble will come for the vacant chairmanship.

Clarke It Certainly Is. Little Rock, Ark., March 31.—Returns from the democratic primaries show that ex-Governor James P. Clarke has been endorsed for United States senator, and Tom Taggart of Indianapolis is the most frequently mentioned.

WED SLYLY

Patrick Gets a Wife in the Tombs Under a Peculiar Law.

New York, March 31.—Albert T. Patrick, convicted last week of the murder of Millionaire Rice, and now awaiting the death sentence, and Mrs. Addie L. Francis have become husband and wife in the matron's room of the Tombs.

ILL OMEN

The German Emperors' New Yacht Badly Damaged in Collision.

New York, March 31.—Meteor III, the yacht of the German emperor, was damaged while being towed clear of her berth at Shooters Island for her trial spin to-day. The tug A. A. Sumner was pulling her out of her berth, when the tug's steering gear gave way and the Meteor was left helpless.

DES MOINES VOTING

Adherents of Hartenbower and Brenton Wage a Fast Fight.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 31.—An exciting municipal campaign ends to-day with the municipal election. An unusually heavy vote is being polled.

HENDERSON DOWNED, MAYBE

Likely to Be Retired to Private Life in 1904 if Not This Year.

Iowa Voters Insist That They Be Not Misrepresented in Congress.

New York Sun Special Service. Washington, March 31.—Speaker Henderson will not visit his district until congress adjourns. While he does not attempt to minimize the importance of the candidacy of Senator Courtwright of Waterloo, he is confident, owing to advice received from friends in the district, that his own renomination is not seriously menaced.

Some of the speaker's friends regard the affair as ominous. They predict that the speaker will carry the other seven counties of the district. The aspect of the opposition which seems serious to them is the fact that after twenty years' service in the house enough hostile sentiment could spring up in any part of the district to warrant an opposing candidate to come out openly and announce his intention to ask for the nomination.

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