

TEST VOTE GIVES LEAD TO REGULARS

Democrats and Insurgents Beaten in Senate.

RAILWAY BILL DECIDES

Cummins Amendment Opposed by 35 to 29.

Proposition Relating to Rate Agreements, Classification, &c., Put to Vote After Days of Speculation, and Though Four Democrats Were Absent, Senators Declare This Was a Fair Comparison of Strength.

On a test vote in the Senate yesterday the Republican leaders who have undertaken to put through the Senate the administration railway bill won over the Democratic and insurgent combination, 35 to 29.

The amendment offered by Senator Cummins, of Iowa, to the provision of the bill relating to rate agreements, classifications, &c., furnished the test.

The Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce accepted an amendment by Senator Crawford, of South Dakota. Senator Cummins proposed an amendment requiring the railroads, when they file agreements with the Interstate Commerce Commission under the power given them in the bill, to file at the same time a statement of rates and classifications. The effect of Senator Cummins' amendment, as understood, is to give to the Interstate Commerce Commission the power to approve rates before they go into effect. Under the bill, as amended by Mr. Crawford, the commission may receive the copy of the agreement and act upon it, but has no power to inquire into rates or classifications made pursuant to the agreement until after they had been put into effect by the railroad.

Strength Fairly Compared. The vote yesterday has been looked forward to as affording perhaps the fairest test of strength between the proponents and the opponents of the bill. For days it had been realized on both sides that the vote would be very close on the Cummins amendment. The Republican leaders were confident, and there was a story afloat that they had been led to believe they could rely on the votes of five Democratic Senators if they needed them.

After the vote was announced, an unusual thing happened in Senate procedure. Senator Clay, of Georgia, demanded that the names of the Senators polled be read from the desk, and also the names of Senators who were absent without being paired. The pairs, when read, disclosed nothing significant, as in each case a Democrat was paired with a Republican. Some question was raised about the announcement that Senator Flint, who was paired with a Democratic Senator, would have voted for the Cummins amendment had he been present. But when Senator

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BRYAN'S REQUEST DENIED.

State Senators Take Shot on the Referendum Bill. Omaha, Neb., April 29.—Democratic State senators in the Omaha district today took a hot shot at William J. Bryan when they made public a joint letter which they wrote to Mr. Bryan declining to accede to his request that they petition Gov. Shallenberger to call an extra session of the State legislature for the purpose of passing an initiative and referendum bill.

STRICKEN—BUT BY REMORSE.

People in Court Thought ex-Attorney General Had Heart Failure. Trenton, N. J., April 29.—Spectators, lawyers, and others who were in the Supreme Court today received a bad scare when ex-Attorney General Robert H. McCarter, who was trying a case, stopped suddenly in his speech and placed his hand over his heart, as though in pain. Expecting to see him collapse, several of the court officers and counsel rushed to his aid. As they grasped him, Mr. McCarter took his hand down and there were three letters. "My wife gave me these letters to mail this morning," said Mr. McCarter, "and I forgot all about them. In fact, I forgot that I had them with me until just this minute, in the middle of a sentence."

TROLLEY STRIKE IN COLUMBUS.

Car Company May Ask State to Send Militia. Columbus, April 29.—Since 10 o'clock this morning only one street car has moved as a result of the strike which began at 4 o'clock. The police displayed a friendliness for the strikers, and during the six hours that intervened up to 10 o'clock this morning the mob had its own way. Trolley ropes were cut, valves ruined, fuses removed, and air brakes damaged. Strike sympathizers boarded the cars and persuaded crews to desert them, and then the company decided to order all cars into the barn.

Another effort to operate them will be made to-morrow, and Mayor Marshall will close the saloons. He declares that he'll enforce order, but won't accede to the company's request that a policeman be stationed on each car.

The mayor was in consultation with the governor to-night. The company has threatened to ask the State for militia in the event that the police fail to interfere with the rioting to-morrow.

Parisians See Halley's Comet. Paris, April 30.—Halley's comet was plainly visible here at 2:15 o'clock this morning.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia—Partly cloudy and warmer today; to-morrow, fair and cooler; moderate southwesterly winds, becoming northwesterly to-morrow.

HERALD NEWS SUMMARY.

- 1-Regularity Wins in Test Vote. Hearst May Face Grand Jury. Hobson Assails Meyer. Deaf-Mute Gets Honor Medal. Roosevelt in Holland. Wickersham Under Fire. Plans to Get Convention. Chinese Visitors Sightseeing. Magruder Fire a Puzzle. Arcade Market Opposed. Railroad Bill Amended. Lawyers Call at White House. Ballinger on the Stand. Local Measures in Senate. News of Society. Taft Off for the West. Editorial. Feminine Notes and Fashion. News of the Sporting World. Amateur Ball Games. Church News. Racing Entries and Results. Commercial and Financial. Troubles of Enumerators.

HOBSON BROADSIDE FIRED AT MEYER

Secretary Criticized Before Naval Committee.

OUTCOME OF OLD BUREAU ROW

Following Stormy Hearing at Capitol, Chairman Foss Is Directed to Urge Senate Committee to Repeal Bill Provision Authorizing Mr. Meyer to Carry Out Scheme.

Secretary of the Navy George von L. Meyer, when he appeared before the House Naval Affairs Committee yesterday, was made the object of an attack by Representative Hobson, of Alabama. The Congressman, who is a member of the committee, and who is understood at the Capitol to represent the opposition of Rogers and Capps to the Secretary's programme, virtually accused Mr. Meyer of having gone to the committee to urge it to lobby for his reorganization scheme at the Senate. The statement was not permitted to pass unchallenged. Representative Roberts, of Massachusetts, objecting and declaring that he could not permit such a charge to go into the record.

Although the meeting was executive, enough leaked out to make it apparent that a pretty stormy session occurred, in which Secretary Meyer kept his temper and did not even reply in detail to the allegations of the Alabama member, who created the stir. Was Stricken Out by Hobson. After hearing had been concluded, the committee voted to instruct Chairman Foss to go before the Naval Committee of the Senate and recommend that the Senate put back in the naval appropriation bill a provision permitting the Secretary to use appropriations for the various bureaus of the department interchangeably. This provision was included in the bill, as it was agreed upon by the House committee, but went out in the House on a point of order raised by Mr. Hobson.

Secretary Meyer appeared before the committee yesterday morning to inform them that by virtue of an opinion by the Attorney General he could not continue to transfer clerks and work from one bureau to another of the department. For one thing, he could not keep the Bureau of Equipment without a chief. He asked the committee to take some action looking toward the establishment of a permanent order in the department, and recommended that either the bureau of equipment be abolished, or an act passed authorizing him to use appropriations interchangeably. The suggestion was then made by the committee that Chairman Foss take up the matter with the Senate committee with a view to having restored to the bill the necessary authorization which Mr. Hobson had succeeded in striking out.

Just then Capt. Hobson entered the committee room. He immediately subjected Secretary Meyer to a rapid fire of questions, which before long had aroused the resentment of the committee members, although Mr. Meyer, if he felt aggrieved, did not show his feelings. Applied to Newberry Plan. According to members of the committee who were willing to discuss the incident, Capt. Hobson sought to make it appear that the opinion of the Attorney General was such that the Secretary could not carry out his programme, or so-called "scheme" as a whole, under the law, when as a matter of fact, the opinion of the Attorney General was given on a phase of the old Newberry plan.

Capt. Hobson, it was said, virtually charged that Secretary Meyer was urging the committee to, in turn, urge the Senate committee to restore authorization to him to interchange appropriations pending the final disposition of Congress of the question of naval reorganization. This statement created a storm of protest. Mr. Roberts denied that Secretary Meyer had suggested it, and objected to the statement of his colleague going into the record.

Negro Cabinet Member Dead. Havana, April 29.—Martin Morua Delgado, secretary of agriculture in the reconstructed Cuban cabinet and formerly president of the Senate, died last night at Santiago de Las Vegas. He was fifty-four years old. He was the most powerful negro politician in Cuba, and was the first negro member of the cabinet.

Sails Under Sealed Orders. Paris, April 29.—The French cruiser Jules Michelot sailed under sealed orders today from Toulon for Suda Bay, island of Crete.

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GAYNOR MAY CALL HEARST TO COURT

Threatens to Bring Editor Before Grand Jury.

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In Second Statement Millionaire Newspaper Owner Arraigns City's Governor in Vitriolic Terms—Inquires Why Gaynor and Hyde Seek to Avoid Question of Issue and Devote Themselves to Technicalities.

New York, April 29.—Mayor Gaynor would add nothing to-day to the speech he made at the dinner last night of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, when he accused William R. Hearst of forgery and falsification of a public document.

But it was said to-day in the city hall that the mayor is seriously considering whether or not the matter is one that he ought to bring to the attention of the grand jury. The mayor showed to-day to his friends the vouchers calling for the payment of \$48,000 to Dan Cohalan, and it also showed photographic copies of it which bore the date of the check. The bill was passed by Mr. Metz, and on the last day of the year it was sent over to Mayor McClellan, and McClellan, knowing how close were Cohalan and Charles Murphy, refused to approve of it and left it to his successor to take action on it. The Cohalan bill was one in a two-foot-high bunch of documents which McClellan left the new mayor to deal with, and these on January 1 were turned over to Mr. Gaynor's executive office. The Cohalan voucher was among those countersigned by this official, and it was never seen by Mr. Gaynor.

Hearst's Second Statement.

Mr. Hearst to-night gave out a statement in which he says, in part: "It is obvious to any one that the mayor's defense is false upon its face. "His attack upon the American is entirely disingenuous and wholly untruthful. "His only claim, when it is analyzed, is that the American failed to print clearly a date on a photographic facsimile of one of the documents in the case against him, although the American carried the same date of the same document clearly printed in type in the text of the article. "What a petty quibble for an important man, or rather what a quibble for a petty man who holds an important position. "Finally, anybody who can read and think can see clearly that the date in question is not the important date, anyhow, but that the important date is the date of January 4, a date in Mayor Gaynor's administration upon which the payment to Cohalan of \$48,000 was finally signed and actually authorized. "The January 4th signature was affixed by the assistant chamberlain in the office of Chamberlain Hyde, Mr. Gaynor's law partner.

"Gaynor's Thick Hyde." "This latter gentleman, who is popularly known as 'Gaynor's Thick Hyde,' is not only Gaynor's law partner, but the person who figured conspicuously in Gaynor's golf ball decision in favor of race track gambling. "The two constitute the Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde of law and politics. "Mr. Chamberlain Hyde claims that his assistant chamberlain is a hold-over from the last administration. "Most assuredly, he is a very permanent hold-over, for he is still assistant chamberlain, although the last administration has been four months out of office. "Mr. Hyde might go so far as to explain why this same assistant chamberlain was not allowed to sign the Cohalan warrant under the present administration.

"Why do not Mr. Gaynor and his 'thick Hyde' discuss the date of January 4, about which there is no question of bad printing; about which there is merely a question of bad administration? "Why do Mr. Gaynor and Mr. Hyde so earnestly seek to avoid the real question at issue, and to devote themselves to the technicalities of newspaper printing? "Mr. Gaynor says the American does not print clearly. "I say that Mr. Gaynor does not answer clearly."

HALLEY'S COMET.

DAILY BULLETIN.

April 30.—Halley's comet rises to-day at 2:53 a. m. and to-morrow at 2:51 a. m. Sun rises at 4:55 a. m. The comet's speed to-day is about 106,140 miles per hour. The comet's distance from the earth to-day is about 67,000,000 miles, but diminishing by several millions daily. After seventy-five years of waiting, the great climax comes next month. (Copyright, 1910, by Frederic Campbell, S. C.)

Aged Richmonder Dead.

Richmond, Va., April 29.—Virginia Bosse, aged seventy-four years, died at a late hour last night at the Retreat for the Sick. He was a former Confederate soldier and a member of the Richmond Grays.

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TWO SHOT TO DEATH.

Pitched Battle Is Fought in Texas Railroad Depot.

Hempstead, Texas, April 29.—In a pitched battle at the Houston and Texas Central depot here, just before midnight, two men were shot to death and another seriously wounded and three unidentified passengers on the north-bound train, while standing at the station at the time, were struck by stray bullets. The dead: Aaron Shannock, Hempstead, Clarence Poole, Hempstead. Seriously wounded: Sheriff J. J. Perry, Hempstead. The battle is said to have been commenced by Clarence Poole. The trouble leading to the killing is said to have been the outgrowth of a petition for divorce filed by Shannon's wife, a sister of Poole, at Houston yesterday.

DIES IN POPE'S ARMS.

Aged Sacrificer of Apostolic Palaces Passes Away Suddenly. Rome, April 29.—Mr. Guglielmo Deffer, titular bishop of Porphyreon, and for over half a century sacrificer of the apostolic palaces, died suddenly this morning in the arms of the Pope. The holy father, on learning that the venerable sacrificer was in extremis, visited him and he fell dead in the arms of the pontiff.

CANNIBALS DEVOUR TWO MISSIONARIES

Natives Hold Corroborative Two Days and Nights.

Mukitoe, Wash., April 29.—Rev. Horatio Hopkins and his assistant, the Rev. Hector Laurie McPherson, missionaries of the Presbyterian Church on Savage Island, in the South Seas, were killed and eaten by cannibals on February 5 last, according to the crew of the barkentine Mary E. Winskelman, which arrived to-day from the Tonga islands. Hopkins and McPherson were teaching in the mission building on the beach in the little harbor of Savage Island, when 20 savages, howling war cries and brandishing clubs and spears, descended on them and took thirteen prisoners. The missionaries had twenty converts in training at the time, and only nine of them escaped.

Both missionaries were bound and left lying on the beach in the tropical sun for several hours, while the savages took the native captives inland. The cannibals then returned to the beach and carried the missionaries on a litter to the crater of the extinct volcano Van Lue, in the center of the island. There for two days and nights they held a corroboree. At times their dancing and revelry could be seen plainly by the fugitive Christian natives. While most of the cannibals were sleeping the captive natives escaped. Their going was hastened by the sight of two of the cannibal chiefs donning the clothes of the missionaries. The clergymen had already been eaten.

QUESTION ON PAIR SERIOUS IN SENATE

Dillingham Withdraws Vote on an Amendment

While roll call was in progress over amendments to the railroad bill in the Senate yesterday a serious question arose concerning the interpretation of the pair between Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, and Senator Dillingham, of Vermont. When Mr. Dillingham's name was called he responded with a statement announcing his pair, but saying that the pair held good only as to the bill, and that under the arrangement he was free to vote on all pending amendments. Thereupon he voted in opposition to the Cummins amendment. Senator Bacon, of Georgia, said that at the conclusion of roll call and before the result was announced he intended to make an explanation concerning the pair, and intimated that Senator Dillingham was not privileged to vote.

The question came up at the conclusion of the roll call. Senator Smith, of South Carolina, colleague of Mr. Tillman, read a telegram received from the Senator, in which Mr. Tillman explained that he was paired with Senator Dillingham on the bill "and all amendments." It appeared from the explanation that the pair had been arranged on behalf of Senator Tillman by his friend, James M. Baker, assistant librarian of the Senate. It was evident that there had been a misunderstanding, and it was manifest that the Democrats were not willing that Senator Dillingham should vote. Finally Senator Dillingham withdrew his vote.

The demand of Senator Clay, for the announcement of the pairs and the calling of the names for absent Senators who were not paired, was declared to be unusual in the Senate. In the House the pairs are announced after each roll call and the names of the members absent are not paired.

It was recalled that the last occasion on which a demand was made for announcement of pairs in the Senate, Vice President Fairbanks, who was presiding, refused the request, stating that pairs in the Senate were arrangements between Senators, of which the chair was not presumed to have knowledge.

ENGLISH PUBLISHER ILL.

Sir George Nevnes Donor of International Chess Trophy. London, April 29.—Sir George Nevnes, the founder of the Westminster Gazette, T. T. Bits, and The Strand, and the donor of the international chess trophy bearing his name, is seriously ill.

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DEAF-MUTE SAVES GIRL CLASSMATE

Rescue at Great Falls Wins Medal for Student.

HONORED AT GALLAUDET

Family of Miss Edington Attend Ceremony.

How This Young Woman Was Dragged Unconscious from "Bottomless Pit" Rapids by Walter C. Rockwell, Revived, and How She Was Supplied with Student's Uniform and Went Home as Boy.

How Walter C. Rockwell, a Gallaudet deaf-mute, rescued Miss Maud Edington, another student of Gallaudet College, from "Bottomless Pit" Rapids, at Great Falls, a month ago, came out last night, when the hero was presented with a gold medal in the college chapel under the auspices of the literary society.

Miss Edington and her family were present. Dr. Draper, a member of the faculty, delivered the presentation speech and pinned the medal on the breast of Rockwell amid the plaudits of the assemblage. The scene was impressive, as there was not a sound to break the silence. Dr. Draper delivering the speech in the language of deaf-mutes.

Rockwell is seventeen years old. His home is in Hartford, Conn. He is strong, handsome, and athletic. Miss Edington is the daughter of Hunter L. Edington, of 119 Sixth street northeast. She is twenty years old, pretty and accomplished, and a leader among the girls at the college. She and Rockwell have been friends since he entered the school.

Story Reads Like Romance.

The story of the daring rescue at Great Falls reads more like a chapter from a novel of romance than an incident in the everyday life of a boy and girl attending college. It has been a custom at Gallaudet for years for the boys to enjoy an annual outing at Great Falls in the Easter holidays. On March 25 last several score took baskets, baskets of lunch, and other clothing to their camping grounds within sound of the roar of the falls. They enjoyed a stag party until noon, when a party of girls with relatives visited the camp.

Miss Edington was accompanied by her father and mother. Luncheon was served on a green, and then the party separated into groups. Miss Edington and Rockwell wandered away to watch the swirling water dashing over the falls.

The girl was enraptured, and persuaded Rockwell to accompany her down the rock to the brink of the water. He carried a coil of rope in his hand with which he had been pulling her up from point to point along the perilous path winding in and out among the boulders. If he had left the rope in his tent, it is probable both her and girl would have gone to their death in the whirlpool beneath the falls known to fishermen as the "Bottomless Pit." It is a tradition in the country contiguous to the falls that no one has ever succeeded in "getting bottom" with rope, wire, or pole in the whirlpool.

Hold Hands Amid Perils.

Miss Edington made her way cautiously from rock to rock, holding Rockwell's hand. The roar of the tumbling waters drowned every sound. She made her way nearer and nearer to the water and finally attained a position on a ledge over the rapids. Standing on the rock, she looked down at the foam. Rockwell was standing a few feet behind her. Suddenly she turned and he saw a look of terror on her face. Whether she was dizzy or frightened, he did not know, but she threw up her hands and plunged from the moss-covered rock into the rapids.

Several boys and girls, watching the couple at the water's edge from points high above, saw Miss Edington caught in the suction and disappear. Rockwell seemed dazed. He watched the surface of the water for several seconds. Then he caught a glimpse of Miss Edington's dress. She was being carried down the stream at great speed. Rockwell started to the rescue, leaping from rock to rock, keeping his eyes on the water. He saw Miss Edington caught in a small whirlpool, which was carrying her to certain death against some jagged rocks, and sucked beneath a ledge at the base of a precipice thirty feet high.

Braves the Mad Rapids.

He was separated from the spot where the girl disappeared by twenty feet of rapids. The only way to reach her was to go through the water. He could not descend the precipice. Tying one end of the rope to a jagged point of rock, he wrapped the other end about his wrist and plunged overboard. To those watching the drama from the rocks above these seemed nothing but Continued on Page 3, Column 6.

BRITISH ADMIRAL TO RETIRE.

Seymour Has Served Fifty-eight Years in Navy. London, April 29.—Admiral Sir Edwin Seymour, who was commander-in-chief on the British China station from 1898 to 1901, and whose backing up of Admiral Dewey against the Germans, after the battle of Manila, is a matter of history, will retire from the navy to-morrow, after fifty-eight years' service.

Baltimore & Ohio to the Pimlico Races.

For the information of those attending the Pimlico Races at Baltimore, direct street car connections may be had from Camden and Mount Royal Stations for the 12 noon and 1:00 p. m. trains from Washington, giving ample time to reach the race track.

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CENSUS MAN HELD UP.

Wilkesbarre Woman Captured and Sent to Jail.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 29.—Having refused to answer the questions of Census Enumerator Heebner, of this city, Mrs. Elizabeth Dugan was to-day arrested and sent to jail in default of bail. She drove the enumerator from her house, and when the officers went there to-day she armed herself with a revolver and threatened to shoot if any of them entered. She was captured after some difficulty before she could fire. Her daughter, who threatened the officers with hot water, but escaped, will be arrested.

FRENCH SOCIALISTS UPRISING.

Workingmen Urged to Battle with Troops to Hitter End. Paris, April 29.—The Socialists are preparing a huge manifestation in Paris and the provinces for May Day. La Guerra Sociale issues a violent call to workingmen to battle with the troops and police to the bitter end if they are provoked in the slightest manner. It urges them to employ the same tactics that were used in the Ferrer demonstration in Barcelona. The prefect of police has summoned 20,000 troops and police to Paris. This evening six cavalry regiments arrived from Versailles and Fontainebleau.

ROOSEVELT PROUD OF DUTCH BLOOD

Hollanders Hear Him Speak from Church Pulpit.

RECITES A NURSERY JINGLE

After Dining with Burgomaster, Party Takes Train for Amsterdam. Demonstrations at Railway Stations and Hotel—Prince Henry Receives Him Warmly.

The Hague, April 29.—On arriving at Amsterdam, the Roosevelt party to-day entered Holland and were everywhere welcomed. Mrs. Roosevelt, Ethel, and Kermit remained aboard the train and proceeded to The Hague. Col. Roosevelt was received by the burgomaster. He drove with the Roosevelt family to the hotel. When Roosevelt reached the Free Church it was crowded to its utmost capacity. As he marched down the aisle the organ pealed forth "The Star Spangled Banner," but the music was soon drowned in cheers.

Silence fell on the audience as Roosevelt entered the pulpit. He started off by saying he was proud of his Dutch ancestry, which he traced back for three centuries, when the names of Rembrandt and Admiral de Ruyter were unknown. He was proud of the good Dutch blood running in his veins, and hoped it would run strong in the veins of his children and their children, and help to make them such people as those of Holland. He added:

"I am sorry I cannot speak Dutch, but to show that I am not altogether bad, I will say some words in Dutch I have never forgotten. It is a little rhyme my grandparents taught me. He then recited a nursery jingle, a translation of which is:

"My Little Henschen." "Little pigs stand to their throats in the beans, horses are in the outfield, cows are in the clover, ducks are in the water, splash! So great is my little henschen."

The audience listened with evident delight as Roosevelt recited the words to a moment of his arms as though he was tossing a baby. Then he broke away into a characteristic discourse. After dining with the burgomaster, forty guests being present, Roosevelt took the 10:45 train, accompanied by Mr. Beaupre and the first secretary of the legation, and proceeded to Amsterdam. Two days' carriages met them at the station. The Dutchman again belied their reputation for phlegm and wild rush by the mob at the station prevented any formal reception. It even prevented any attempt to enter the waiting-room. There was a similar demonstration outside the hotel.

Greeted by Prince.

Amsterdam, April 29.—To a brace of kings and one king-emperor, Col. Roosevelt to-day added the only queen regnant in Europe. When the automobiles drew up before the palace, Prince Henry, in a speech, was the top of the stairs to welcome the former President of the United States. He grasped the colonel warmly by the hand without any formal presentation. In the dining-room Col. Roosevelt sat at the right of Queen Wilhelmina, and Mrs. Roosevelt at the right of Prince Henry. There were thirty distinguished guests at the luncheon, all of them high court officials, but not members of the cabinet.

OMAHA HOTTEST PLACE.

Tremendous Heat Wave Sweeping Over Trans-Missouri Country.

Omaha, Neb., April 29.—The most tremendous heat wave the West has ever experienced at this season of the year has reigned in the trans-Missouri country for the last forty-eight hours, and it is rapidly sweeping eastward, followed by a sudden drop in the temperature. At the early reading this morning the government reported Omaha as the hottest place in the United States. Yesterday, out of nineteen government weather stations in the State, seven reported a temperature of 100 degrees or more. The highest temperature was recorded at Hartington, where the thermometer stood at 102 degrees. To-night the temperature is falling rapidly, and a cold wave is reported from the West.

More Indicted at Havana.

Havana, April 29.—There have been fifteen more indictments in the negro conspiracy case. Several negro rural guards have been arrested.

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PRODS COMMITTEE ON FRIAR INQUIRY

Representative Martin Asks Immediate Action.

SERVES WRITTEN NOTICE

Sees New Evidence Land Was Sold to Sugar Trust.

"Have never interests so close to Departments of War and Justice There Is No Lost Motion," Says Colorado Member, Whose Resolution in Rules Committee Charges Unlawful Sale of Philippine Tracts.

Representative Martin, of Colorado, yesterday served notice in writing upon Chairman Dalzell, of the House Committee on Rules, of his desire for an early hearing upon his resolution charging the unlawful sale of Philippine friar lands to the sugar trust, and that the sale was effected by improper influences working through the Departments of War and Justice.

A copy of the notice was delivered to Minority Leader Clark, who is the ranking minority member of the Committee on Rules. When asked if any new facts with reference to his charges had developed, Mr. Martin made the following statement:

"The most recent development was the admission by Gen. Edwards and his assistant, Maj. McIntyre, of the Insular Bureau, before the House Insular Committee, that Poole, the alleged purchaser of the San Jose friar estate, was only an agent, and that the money was put up by Horace Havemeyer and two others, one of whom is a stockholder and is, or was, a director of the sugar trust. This effectually disposes of the original claim of the War Department that the sale was to an individual.

Negotiations for a Foothold.

"But more startling than this admission, and threatening to dwarf in importance the sale itself, is the disclosure that at the very time the government was carrying on prosecutions against the sugar trust for the gigantic customs-house frauds, it was knowingly negotiating with the heads of the sugar trust, through Attorney General Wickersham's former law firm of Strong & Cadwalader. Henry V. Taft is a member, to give it a foothold in the Philippines. "It is true that this law firm, after laying the wires for the friar land sale, secured another firm of attorneys to pull them, assigning as reasons the relationship between the firm and the administration and the fact that discretionary action upon the part of the government was involved, but the only discretion involved was the violation of the law and policy of this government, which required the final sanction of the Attorney General.

"The representative of the Strong & Cadwalader firm who first took the matter up with the Bureau of Insular Affairs is said by the officials of that bureau to have made the statement that his clients were referred to him by Judge Johnson, of Philadelphia. "Judge Johnson is chief counsel for the Standard Oil Company in the great dissolution suit now pending in the United States Supreme Court.

A Singular Situation.

"It is rather singular that he should have been called upon to perform the office of referring the heads of the sugar trust to their own law firm. Unless that firm is grossly libeled, the Havemeyers got pretty well acquainted with it when it defended the sugar trust in the \$20,000,000 damage suit brought against it for wrecking the Pennsylvania Sugar Refining Company and which was still pending, with Henry V. Taft as attorney of record at the time when Mr. Wickersham, presumably through Henry V. Taft's influence, was appointed Attorney General.

"These facts couple the sugar trust and the administration so closely that there is no lost motion. They shed new light upon Attorney General Wickersham's efforts to prevent the indictment of the higher-ups in the sugar trust, and make still more apparent the reasons why the administration has opposed a Congressional investigation of the sugar trust.

"And, finally, they absolutely disqualify Attorney General Wickersham to further conduct prosecutions of the sugar trust." Mr. Martin reiterated his attack on the Attorney General, a proceeding that is becoming chronic with him. He said that this sale of the Philippine friar lands ought to disqualify the Attorney General from conducting the fraud prosecutions against the sugar trust.

DYING OF GUNSHOT WOUNDS.

Farmer Shot for Taunting Insane Wife of Friend.

Special to The Washington Herald. Roanoke, Va., April 29.—John Lamy, a Taxwell County farmer, is dying to-night from gunshot wounds inflicted by Robert Dowdy. When the men quarreled in the Lamy house last night, Lamy resented the gibes offered his wife, who is of unsound mind, by Dowdy. Dowdy continued to taunt the afflicted woman about her mental condition, and a battle of epithets was followed by the shooting.

Dowdy drew his gun and fired a shot that perforated Lamy's intestines and liver. Dowdy escaped.

Grand \$100 Excursion Sunday, May 1. Baltimore & Ohio R. R. To Frederick, Keedysville, and Hagers-town from Union Station at 8:30 a. m., returning, leave Hagerstown 6:30, Keedysville 6:30, Frederick 6:30 p. m., same day.

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