

SPECIAL SESSION IS NOW PROBABLE

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FIGHT MADE ON TARIFF BOARD

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With only four weeks remaining of the session of Congress, the administration legislative programme appears doomed to fall in two important particulars.

It was made clear yesterday at the meeting of the Senate Finance Committee that the administration bill creating a tariff board cannot pass the Senate.

The Republicans in the committee appear to be unanimous in favor of it, although at least two Republican Senators admitted that they were supporting the measure out of regard for the President's wishes rather than because they liked it.

The Democratic Senators went into the committee meeting with an agreement that they would unanimously oppose the bill, and before the meeting adjourned Senator Bailey, of Texas, had served notice on his Republican colleagues that even if the bill were reported it would not be permitted to pass.

In view of the state of the public business in Congress and the short time at disposal of the session, the Democratic Senators are in a position to make good their threat.

Another interesting development of the day was the announcement that the Republican insurgents, with the exception of Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, will oppose the Canadian reciprocity agreement.

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Democrats Are Silent. The Democratic Senators, who appear to be working harmoniously for the first time in many months, have agreed to withhold their opinions on Canadian reciprocity until after the caucus of the House Democrats on Monday night.

Following that, the President will probably hold a conference on the subject.

There is an increasing spirit of hostility to the Canadian pact, and it begins to look now as if the Democrats in the Senate, or a large majority of them, would line up with the Republican insurgents in opposition to the President's plan.

On the heels of the disclosure on Capitol Hill came a report that was generally credited by Senators that the President would certainly call a special session in special session immediately after March 4, if the Canadian reciprocity or the tariff board legislation failed to pass at this session.

The Democrats in Congress were apparently not much exercised over the prospect of a special session. They will simply come into the possession of the organization of each House several months earlier and lead to the fact that they will be ousted from their places and Republicans will give way to Democrats.

Furthermore, the Democrats were indulging in ill-thoughted threats that if President Taft called a special session in special session with the question of reciprocal trade relations with Canada, they might find in it justification for widening the scope of the tariff inquiry, that would open up the whole question and lead to legislation revising the Payne-Aldrich law.

Discuss Tariff Board. The Finance Committee all but agreed yesterday upon a favorable report on the tariff board bill. The Democratic minority, while opposing the measure, will not try to prevent a report from the committee, but will elect to stand on their feet and not to attend to the bill, but they will not permit the bill to pass the Senate. The committee will meet again Tuesday, and it is expected that the bill will then be reported to the Senate.

There are indications that the measure will be amended in a number of places. An amendment suggested by Senator Lodge was agreed to. It requires that the nominations for members of the tariff board shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate. Another amendment, proposed by Senator McCumber, directing the board to extend the scope of its inquiry, and to ascertain not only the difference in cost of production at home and abroad, but also to ascertain and report the difference in cost of transportation charges.

The delay of the Republican insurgents in announcing their general attitude toward Canadian reciprocity is due to the fact that Senator La Follette has been absent in Wisconsin, and as his State is so much interested in the reciprocity agreement as any other in the Union, it was considered proper to await his return in order that he might participate in the conference.

BALK AT DRASTIC LAW. Indiana Legislators Will Reconsider Corporation Rights.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 4.—The bill of Gov. Marshall restricting rights of foreign corporations from the rights granted to Indiana corporations organized in this State, which was passed by the Legislature last week, has been placed on the calendar again by a motion of its author, who asked that the vote by which it was passed be reconsidered. Many of the senators say they voted for it without understanding its full significance, and they want to study it further.

The bill is the most radical piece of anti-corporation legislation ever attempted in the State. It is believed that it will now be defeated.

CHARLES C. FILLEY DEAD. Companion of Stanley in Search for Dr. Livingston.

New York, Feb. 4.—Charles C. Filley, who accompanied Henry M. Stanley on the expedition to find Dr. Livingston in Africa, died at his home in East Aurora, N. Y., at the age of sixty-seven. Mr. Filley went with Stanley as a newspaper correspondent for New York and London papers.

He was also with the British expeditions against the Zulus in South Africa and was a member of the party that went in search of the body of the prince Imperial, of France, who was ambushed and slain by the Zulus.

The body of Mr. Filley will be taken to Hartford, Conn., for interment.

Body Found Along Tracks. Special to The Washington Herald.

Rosnoke, Va., Feb. 4.—Early this morning the body of a man was found near the Norfolk and Western railway just east of Rosnoke. Nothing to identify him could be found. He was about twenty-one years old.

Pope Grants Interview. Rome, Feb. 4.—Pope Pius to-day granted a private interview to Mr. Mahoney, vice general at Hamilton, Ontario.

YESTERDAY IN CONGRESS.

(Saturday, February 4, 1911.)

SENATE.

The Senate was not in session.

HOUSE.

The House gave further consideration to the agricultural appropriation bill. It went over without action. The debate was marked by a lively exchange between Representative Stanier, of Kentucky, and Mason, of Arkansas. These members just escaped transgressing the rules, including in personalities. Later they got together and were reconciled and agreed to have their remarks expunged from the record. The House adjourned at 6:20 p. m. to meet at noon Monday.

RIPE RED TOMATO

FACTOR IN TARIFF

Senator McCumber Wants Probe Into Food Prices.

When Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, was forced to part with 25 cents for a ripe red tomato in the Senate restaurant a year ago it was never suspected that the incident might project itself into the future and possibly affect legislation pending in Congress. Mr. McCumber uttered a cry of rage when he examined his lunch bill, and found "5 cents" penciled opposite the tomato that he had ordered and consumed with relish. He immediately proceeded to the Senate chamber where he delivered a speech on the high cost of living. He told the Senators about the outrage that had been perpetrated on him. "If tomatoes were sold in North Dakota at that rate," he declared, "the farmers of my State would be getting 400 a bushel for them. The tariff has little or nothing to do with the high cost of living. The prices now prevailing are due largely to the actions of the middleman and the retailer, and there is the cost of transportation."

Senator McCumber has asked the Finance Committee, now considering the tariff board bill, to insert a provision that measure directing the board to consider, in making inquiries into the cost of production, the element of cost represented by the transportation of agricultural products from the farm to the market.

Senator McCumber expects to prove, when the tariff comes up in the future, that the farmer is only reaping a fair profit from the present high prices, and that the lion's share goes to the consumer, the man, the retailer, and the railroad.

Delegates to Race Congress. President Taft may send a special message to Congress in the near future asking for an appropriation to enable the United States to participate in the "Universal Races Congress" which is to be held in London in July. The President talked about the congress yesterday with Dr. F. H. Adler, of New York, and others interested in the meeting.

REMODELING OF HOUSE WILL BEGIN MARCH 6

Hall of Congress Will Be Dismantled and Contracted in Size, With Deskless Seats Installed.

The work of remodeling the hall of the House of Representatives probably will commence on March 6, provided there is no extra session of Congress. Elliott Woods, superintendent of the Capitol, said yesterday that complete plans for dismantling the present large chamber and shaping it into a smaller and more convenient place of meeting were ready, and that it would need but the simple instruction, "Go ahead!" from him to send men swarming to their work of dismantling the present chamber.

Unless postponed for another year by the interposition of the commission which has the project in charge, the remodeling of the House will proceed night and day throughout the summer, in order to have it ready for the new Congress when it convenes in December. The interposition of the commission must be reckoned as a possibility, for the reason that it has not been giving much attention to the remodeling plan lately, and may desire further delay. The fact remains, however, that full authority for commencing the work lies on the statute books, with the statute fixed the limit of cost at \$50,000. Twenty-five thousand dollars of this amount has been appropriated for the drawing of plans. Within the next few days will be determined the course to be pursued, whether it be to await the appropriation of the rest of the allotted funds, or proceed with the work and assign the payments to a deficiency bill early next session.

The remodeling plan which has been approved by the commission, which consists of Speaker Cannon as chairman, and Representatives McCall, of Massachusetts; Mann, of Illinois; and Howard, of Georgia. Even without an appropriation, which, however, it is expected will be made in the coming sundry civil bill, the superintendent of the Capitol will have authority to proceed with the work if the commission so directs.

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Ready to Go Ahead. Supt. Wood estimates that the work, if undertaken early in March, may be completed by the time Congress reconvenes, provided night and day shifts are kept constantly at work. Mr. Wood already has his hands on the necessary workmen and machinery, and asserts that he can have bricks flying on short notice should he receive instructions to proceed.

It is expected that attention will be given to the remodeling of the House immediately after the passage of the re-appropriation bill, which is to determine its membership for the next ten years. The present desks and chairs were installed immediately after the re-appropriation of ten years ago, several rows of seats being added.

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CANADIAN TREATY STRONGLY OPPOSED

Farm and Lumber Interests Are Imperiled.

MALTIESTERS SURE TO SUFFER

Farmer Being Sacrificed for the Manufacturer—Wood Pulp Admitted, but Logs for Lumber Excluded—Farm Lands Will Depreciate in Value.

Representatives of the malt manufacturing and barley growing industries of the United States appeared before the House committee yesterday afternoon to oppose Canadian reciprocity because of the lowering of duties on barley and barley malt. E. E. Pink, of Milwaukee, representing all the maltsters of the West, claimed that the removal of the duty on Canadian barley would drive the Western maltsters out of business, and would make it unprofitable for the farmers to raise barley.

He claimed that the maltsters of the West have located their plants close to the fields of production, that if the farmers do not find it profitable to produce barley they will not do so, but the maltster will not be able to move their plants.

Pink asserted that the city of Buffalo would absorb the malting industry.

Farmers Being Sacrificed. Representative Malby, of New York, said the farmer is being sacrificed for the benefit of the manufacturer, and he warned the committee against such a policy.

"If you take off the farmer's protection," he said, "the farmer will demand the removal of the protection which the manufacturer now gets, and your whole protective fabric will be destroyed."

Mr. Malby also protested against the reduction of the duty on paper.

H. R. Mauff, of Chicago, who said he represented 20,000 farmers in the Middle West, protested against lowering the duties on farm products.

Lumber Interests Menaced. The National Association of Lumber Manufacturers of the United States, through their president, Edward Hinds, protested to the Ways and Means Committee yesterday against the Canadian reciprocity bill as threatening disaster to the lumber manufacturers of this country.

Wood for the manufacture of wood pulp is admitted, but logs for the manufacture of lumber are excluded. He said that there are billions of feet of pine timber on the Canadian coast, that can be limber to American sawmills, that can be

delivered in the Senate this week. Senators Johnston, of Alabama, and Bailey, of Texas, will oppose the right of the Illinois man to retain his seat. Speeches in opposition will be made by Senators Burton, of Ohio, and Jones, of Baltimore, Cumberland, and Hagerstown, Md., and the families and friends of the members of the local council.

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BRIBERY CHARGES LEFT TO SLUMBER

West Virginia Legislature Takes No Further Action.

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 4.—It is not probable that any further action will be taken by the legislature on the resolution to investigate the charges of bribery in connection with the nominations of Watson and Chilton for the United States Senate.

When Senator Fisher refused to support Chilton and Watson because the alleged bribery had not been investigated, he was assured by Senator MacCorkle, law partner of Chilton, that the investigation would be pushed.

The resolution subsequently was reported favorably by the judiciary committee, and yesterday Senator McIntyre, Democratic floor leader, had it made a special order for this morning. All other matters on the calendar were disposed of and the session adjourned, the only mention made of the resolution being that of a Republican senator whose request to take up the matter was not heeded.

The Republicans generally take the stand that it is not matter of theirs, and that if the Democratic half of the senate wants to let the resolution slumber they will raise no objection.

In the house to-day, the Republicans sought to have some fun by offering a resolution commending United States Senator Watson for his action in remaining silent during the final roll call on the ship subsidy bill. Objection was made from the Democratic side, and the speaker ruled it out of order.

U. C. T. TO BE HOSTS TO VISITING GUESTS

Will Entertain Out-of-Town Councils April 22.

Flag Council No. 354, United Commercial Travelers of America, at a meeting at Pythian Temple last night, started plans for the entertainment of fully 1,000 guests on April 22. The guests will include the councils of the order from Harrisonburg and Martinsburg, Va., and Baltimore, Cumberland, and Hagerstown, Md., and the families and friends of the members of the local council.

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TAFT TO BREAK SPEED RECORDS FOR TRAVEL

Will Make Close Connections On "Reciprocity" Trip to Springfield, Ill., This Week.

President Taft is going to break some records when he makes the next trip on his schedule from Washington to Springfield, Ill., and return.

The President will leave Washington late on the night of February 5, hurrying from the Cabinet dinner to be given by Secretary Ballinger to the Union Station, to board his private car. His car will be attached to a regular train on the Pennsylvania Railroad from Washington to Harrisburg, Pa., but from that city onward he will be flying behind one of the Pennsylvania's crack mail trains that make the run between New York and Philadelphia and the West.

This train is to be held at Harrisburg to await the coming of the President, and between that city and Pittsburgh it will have to do some fast hustling on time. The government expects a party from a railroad if the mail is not on time, and the President may be responsible for his Postmaster General calling down the Pennsylvania people.

From Pittsburgh to Columbus, Ohio, the trip will be uneventful, so far as any one can foresee. Leaving Columbus late at night, the President will go to Logansport, Ind., over the Pennsylvania Railroad from Logansport, on the morning of the 11th his car will be switched to one of Representative William B. McKinley's electric lines.

It became known yesterday that President Taft will speak on Canadian reciprocity whenever he gets an opportunity on this trip. He will try to dispel the "ghosts" which he believes are haunting the farmers, perhaps, just as he said the "ghosts" of the fishermen were bothered by similar phantoms. He will talk on reciprocity at Columbus, Ohio, and before the Illinois legislature at Springfield.

The campaign for the better understanding of the meaning of reciprocity is to be carried on elsewhere by the administration. Secretary of State Knox will speak on this subject at the Association of Commerce dinner in Chicago February 15. James J. Hill, it was said yesterday, will be a guest at this dinner and will likewise speak on reciprocity.

LAWMAKER AND WRITER IN PERSONAL ENCOUNTER

Continued from Page One. con again refused, and sharp words followed. The words "liar," "dog," "cur," and worse were flung backward and forward by the two angry men.

Just as they rushed upon each other, other newspaper men, employees of the House, and Mr. Norris stepped between them and prevented the encounter.

With a sneering smile Mr. Macon cried: "I want to know if this matter is going any further? If it is, I shall be prepared."

While Mr. Fahy was still being held by his friends it was explained in no uncertain language to Mr. Macon by all of the other reporters present that they believed there has been no exaggeration or misinformation in the article to which the Arkansas member had taken exception. They also told him that the criticism of Mr. Fahy was of so offensive a character as to demand some explanation and expurgation from the Record.

A member from Arkansas boiled and fumed with anger and at length reluctantly admitted that he did not wish to be unfair and had not intended to be. He said he would request the official reporter to expunge his reference to the article and its author from the Record.

With this understanding the matter was dropped.

Report of Colloquy. The article which caused all the trouble was a report in part of a colloquy between Representative Augustus O. Stanley, of Kentucky, a Democrat, and Mr. Macon, over the latter's habit of searching through appropriation bills for opportunities to prevent all increases of salaries to employes of the governmental departments.

It is common knowledge that Mr. Macon, in the opinion of most of the members of the House, on both sides, has made himself a nuisance in this particular. In his criticism of Mr. Macon, Mr. Stanley said that he hoped no member of the House was so constituted mentally as to suppose that righteousness would die with him or that he was the burden of crushing the Treasury.

Furthermore, Mr. Stanley remarked that he himself had introduced a resolution which, if passed, would result in saving to the people of the United States \$2,000,000 a year on steel rails. He referred to his resolution for investigation of the United States Steel Corporation.

The irony in Mr. Stanley's voice was very apparent when he added that, of course, this saving would pale into insignificance alongside the saving that Mr. Macon was effecting by keeping down the wages of charwomen in the government's service. He suggested that Mr. Macon had spent so much time trying to prove that he had not reached the north pole that he had not had time to find

out what was really good in the legislation before the House.

To this Mr. Macon made the hot rejoinder that it was "a case of a hit animal howling."