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THE WEEK IN CONGRESS

Vote to Be Taken on Bland's Seigniorage Bill Wednesday.

PECKHAM'S FATE TO BE DECIDED

Bonds, Silver and Hawaiian Question to Come Up in the Senate.

The Senate Will Make the Deficiency Tariff Bill Yield Revenue by Taking Some Articles Off the Free List and Increasing Duties on Other Articles.

WASHINGTON CITY, Feb. 11.—There will be an effort on the part of the senate during the present week to clear up the calendar as far as possible prior to taking up the tariff bill, which, when reported to the senate, is expected, to exclude consideration of most other subjects. Speech-making during the week is to be devoted to a variety of topics, including the Stewart bond resolution, Turpie's Hawaiian resolution, and probably the resolution of Hale instructing the committee on finance to grant hearings on the tariff bill. Gray and Daniel have given notice of speeches on the Hawaiian resolution Monday, and White of California is among others who will probably address the senate during the week on this topic. The bill to compel railroad companies operating roads in territories over rights-of-way granted by the government to establish stations at all townsites established by the interior department is unfinished business on the calendar, and when disposed of the bill to provide for additional accommodations for the government printing office will be taken up and acted on as soon as practicable.

It is believed the committee on judiciary will dispose of the Peckham nomination tomorrow, and if so in all probability there will be at least one day during the week devoted to an executive session for the purpose of passing upon this nomination.

It is expected that consideration of Bland's seigniorage bill will be completed in the house Wednesday. Tomorrow is District of Columbia day, but by a special order the time after 3 o'clock has been set aside for paying a tribute to the memory of the late Senator Stanford, and a fight will probably be made for the three hours previous by Bland. When the Bland bill reaches a vote the general expectation is that it will pass after having been modified in certain particulars to meet the objections of Secretary Carlisle to give him some latitude and discretion in the issue of treasury notes against seigniorage and in the coinage of bullion. On Thursday the O'Neill-Joy contested election case will come up, and by agreement six hours will be devoted to debate thereon. O'Neill will probably be seated by an almost strictly party vote. The remainder of the week will be devoted to the fortification appropriation bill.

A member of the senate finance committee says no one can now tell when the tariff bill will be ready to report to the senate, or what changes will be made in the house bill. The only thing that seems settled definitely is the intention to make the bill provide sufficient revenue for the government, and to this end articles will be taken from the free list and increases will be made in some directions.

The Vetoed Land Bill.

WASHINGTON CITY, Feb. 11.—[Special.]—The first bill vetoed by the president at this session was one for the passage of which Representative Hermann, of Oregon, has worked hard for some time. It was intended for the relief of purchasers of timber and stone lands, and when Representative Hermann first heard of the president's action he could not believe and said he could not understand how any one could oppose a measure which was obviously for the interests of those most concerned. Here are the president's reasons in full for his veto:

"This bill permits the proofs and affidavits which, under present statutes, parties desiring to acquire certain public lands are required to make before the registers and receivers of the land offices within which such lands are located to be made before any commissioner of the United States circuit court or before the judge or clerk of any court of records of the county or parish in which the lands are situated.

"A similar bill was passed by the Fifty-second congress and was disapproved by the commissioner of the general land office and the secretary of the interior. The successors of these officers oppose the present bill on the ground that in its operation it would open the door to fraud and to a perversion of the intentions of the government in relation to the public lands.

"It is difficult, with the most scrupulous care, to guard the alienation of our public lands from fraud and illegal practices. It is perfectly plain, however, that the prospect of accomplishing this result is better under present laws, which require the necessary proofs to be made before land officers who are appointed for that purpose and who are under the control of the general land office and amenable to its regulations, than it would be by substituting other officers over whom the land office has no control.

"Certain rules and orders of the land office are now in force which regulate the taking of the necessary proofs and permit oral examinations by registers and receivers. These regulations are of the utmost importance if our land laws are to be justly and honestly administered.

"I fully concur in the objections made to this bill by the officers having charge of the public lands in the last administration, and by their successors, who are now charged with that responsibility. I am convinced that such a relaxation of our existing land laws as is contemplated by the bill under consideration would not be in the interest of good administration."

Washington Postoffices and Pensions.

WASHINGTON CITY, Feb. 11.—[Special.]—The postmaster general may have a fondness for appointing postmistresses, but Cleveland is looking out for voters every time, and is distributing patronage this year where he thinks it will do the most good. No one could have had better indorsements for the postoffice at Olympia than Mrs. Alice Follansbee, but A. W. Wisner is the kind of a Democrat that stands well with the present administration. Abigail M. Hull has been commissioned postmistress at Springdale, Wash.

A widow's pension has been granted to Sarah J. Stam, of Rosalia, Whitman county.

Saunders Solid With the President.

WASHINGTON CITY, Feb. 11.—[Special.]—Collector Saunders need have no fear that the charges brought against him some time ago by certain members of his own party have injured him in the estimation of either the president or the secretary of the treasury. The latter smiled when asked about the charges, and replied that such things might be annoying for a little while, but they never did any harm. No notice of them had been taken in any way by the treasury department, nor would there be. Saunders, whose father is a newspaper publisher here, was a clerk in the White House during Cleveland's first term, and stands very high in the president's esteem.

The Northwest at the Capital.

WASHINGTON CITY, Feb. 11.—[Special.]—Dr. Charles D. Rogers, the newly confirmed United States commissioner for the district of Alaska, has been stopping at the Ebbitt for a few days waiting for his commission. As predicted at the time of his appointment, the charges against him of violating Alaskan laws by publicly taking a drink of whisky had little if any weight against his confirmation in the executive session of the senate.

The Oregon delegation in Washington has been increased by the arrival of Senator C. A. Cogswell, of Lakeview, who is endeavoring to secure a rehearing before the secretary of the interior in a Southern Oregon swamp land matter. Still another new-comer is Prof. Le Roy, who was the unsuccessful candidate for superintendent of public instruction in Oregon against Prof. McElroy four years ago. The professor is here to hasten the appointment of a Democrat to the postmastership at Pendleton.

Nat Blum, who has been to New York for a few days, is back in Washington City again.

Vincent L. Luelling, who was appointed receiver of public moneys at Lakeview, Or., is a brother of Register Luelling, of the Yakima land office.

A FIGHT AT THE ALTAR.

One Catholic Priest Knocks Another Down in a Brooklyn Church.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 11.—There was an exciting time today in St. Peter's Roman Catholic church, and the spectacle of one priest assaulting another on the altar caused a panic among the large congregation which attended the mass service. The pastor of St. Peter's is Father William J. Hill, a man of middle age, while Father Patrick V. McDonald, a young man of about 30 years, is assistant. The latter was celebrating mass. Father Hill was on the altar as deacon.

When Father Hill commenced reading the notices for the day Father McDonald, who was kneeling, suddenly arose, and turning to Father Hill, said: "You can't speak here." Father Hill was taken by surprise and whispered to his assistant to keep quiet, but the latter, who weighs 200 pounds, rushed at Father Hill and knocked him down the altar steps.

Father McDonald then picked up the chalice and Father Hill attempted to take it from him. The former dealt him a blow under the left ear, which knocked him down. The startled congregation were by this time wild with excitement, and several men in the front pews jumped over the chancel rail and prevented Father McDonald from committing further violence. Some of the congregation had in the meantime run to the Butler street station for assistance, and Father McDonald was taken to the rectory opposite and confined to his apartments. Word was sent to Bishop McDonnell, who directed Vicar General McNamara to make an investigation. Meanwhile Father McDonald had become so violent that it was evident he was insane. Later he was removed to St. Peter's hospital, where it was found necessary to detail a policeman to attend him. Father Hill was taken entirely by surprise, as Father McDonald had never before manifested signs of insanity, and he could not account for the sudden derangement.

A Schooner Lost.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Feb. 11.—The first intelligence of the fate of the schooner Robert T. Edwards and crew, which were given up last Monday, was brought today by Capt. Crittenden, of the schooner Mabel Lighton. Capt. Crittenden states that while fishing on the banks January 21, fifty miles from Cape Sable, a carrier pigeon, completely exhausted, lit on a davit plank. On securing the pigeon the sailors found a tin tag with "No. 119" tied to one leg, and on the other a dispatch, rolled up and tied by a thread, which read:

"SABLE ISLAND, Jan. 11.—Schooner Robert J. Edwards and all hands lost January 12, during a hurricane."

It was signed H. W. Hilliard and addressed to W. W. Johnson. The dispatch stated that pigeon No. 113 had been liberated at the same time. It was probably intended that both should fly to Halifax.

Fire in the Colt Arms Factory.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 11.—Fire broke out in the Colt Patent Firearms Company shops this afternoon, and in two hours destroyed about $150,000 worth of property, including all of the company's patterns, in English and Circassian walnut, of Gatling guns and all the arms made by the factory. The chief insurance losers are the Phœnix and Ætna, of Hartford, and the National and Connecticut companies. The works employ about 500 men. The government Gatling gun contracts will not be impeded.

The Wapahoneta Fire.

WAPAHONETA, O., Feb. 11.—The fire early this morning proved not so destructive as at first appeared. The arrival of the Lima engines supplied the necessary help, and at 4 a. m. the fire was under control. The total loss was $80,000; insurance, $59,800.

Kentucky Tobacco Factories Burned.

HENDERSON, Ky., Feb. 11.—The tobacco factories of John H. Brett & Co. and R. H. Soper were destroyed by fire of incendiary origin today. Loss, $150,000, three-fourths insured.

Fire at Duluth.

DULUTH, Feb. 11.—The Duluth Board of Trade building was destroyed by fire this afternoon. Loss, $120,000; insurance, $80,000.

Steve Judson as a Weather Prophet.

TACOMA, Feb. 11.—[Special.]—Pioneer Stephen Judson's weather forecasting business has met with severe reverses. Mr. Judson was in town Saturday, serving on a petit jury. Incidentally he congratulated himself on his accurate prophecy for this winter's supply of weather. Last December Pioneer Judson stated that it would be a very mild winter, and briefly stated his reasons, which were published at the time in the POST-INTELLIGENCER. "Some of the pioneers," he said yesterday with a little gusto, "wanted to know why I didn't wait until along in January to make my prediction. Why," deprecatingly, "the idea! Might as well wait until the winter is over. As I said last December, when it gets 'long about the holidays and there is no sign of winter, it's all up; there'll be no winter to speak of. And, lemme tell you, when the berries are thick, when all sorts of berries are plenty in the bush and there's any God's quantity of huckleberries, it's going to be a downeaster of a winter. That's the record for forty years in this country. Last year there weren't many berries." Today it snowed six inches.

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BLIZZARD IN THE WEST.

An Extraordinary Snowfall and High Wind in Kansas.

LOSS OF LIFE TO BE EXPECTED.

Cattle on the Whitened Plains and Oklahoma Boomers Suffer.

Railroads Delayed by Drifts—Not Such a Storm Since 1885—Indian Territory and Nebraska Lie Under the Same Cold Blanket With Kansas.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 12.—A snowstorm began at 10 p. m., and at midnight it was snowing hard. Telegrams indicate that Northern and Central Illinois is experiencing a heavy storm.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 11.—A heavy snowstorm set in this morning. Street car traffic is entirely suspended. Reports at the Burlington general office say the storm extends over the greater part of the system. Freight trains are moving slowly, and passenger trains barely making time.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 11.—Snow blocked Union Pacific trains between this city and Ogden all day yesterday and until 3 o'clock this afternoon. High winds piled the snow in cuts as fast as it could be dug out. The tracks are now clear.

EMPORIA, Kan., Feb. 11.—The worst blizzard experienced here in years has been prevailing all day. The snow is now twelve to fourteen inches deep, with the appearance of abating. Only one train has reached here from the east, and trains are reported blocked all along the lines. The storm prevails throughout the state. Many cattle will perish.

INDEPENDENCE, Kan., Feb. 11.—Snow began to fall heavily last night and continued without abating all day, with prospects of continuing. The wind has been blowing hard and the snow has drifted considerably. It is the heaviest fall in years.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Feb. 11.—A driving snowstorm commenced early this morning and continued all day long, accompanied by a strong north wind. At 5 o'clock the snow was six inches deep on a level. The thermometer is 15 above zero.

OLATHE, Kan., Feb. 11.—A blinding snowstorm has been raging since noon. In some places the snow is drifted several feet deep and snow is falling as fast as ever, with a strong wind from the north. It is the worst snowstorm for years, although the weather is not cold.

ELDORADO, Kan., Feb. 11.—The snowstorm today is the worst that has occurred since 1885. Snow has been falling since this morning, and is still falling. It is between six and eight inches deep on a level and the wind has filled the cuts on the railroads. Traffic is blocked. A train of thirteen cars of cattle on the Santa Fe arrived here several hours late. The cattle had to be unloaded, and will be kept here until the track is cleared.

PARSONS, Kan., Feb. 11.—The worst storm that has prevailed in Southeastern Kansas since the memorable storm of 1885 set in here at 1 o'clock this morning and continued throughout the day, covering the ground to a depth of eight inches. Advices received at the headquarters of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad are to the effect that the storm prevails along the entire system of the road, from points in Missouri to Texas.

ABILENE, Kan., Feb. 11.—The blizzard which began yesterday has continued all day and is fiercer than ever tonight. Fifteen inches of snow has fallen and is badly drifted. All trains are much delayed.

HENNESSY, O. T., Feb. 11.—A terrible norther, such as was never before experienced in this part of the country, reached here at 6 o'clock this morning. It has been snowing and blowing for the past twelve hours with no abatement. Over a foot of snow has fallen and has drifted in places six feet deep. Railroad traffic is entirely suspended. Poorly sheltered settlers in the Cherokee strip will suffer greatly from exposure. The thermometer stands 2 below zero, and the wind is blowing sixty miles an hour.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 11.—The great New York blizzard was almost outdone in the West today. It began snowing in this city about noon, and has continued ever since, the snow coming down so thickly that it looks like a fog. Up to 8 o'clock tonight the precipitation was fully one foot, and it is still falling, accompanied by a high wind. The street car lines were compelled to abandon business at 4 o'clock. Dispatches from Kansas indicate that the storm is general. At Emporia the snowfall is reported to be two feet, while advices from other points report from one foot to eighteen inches. The blizzard is the worst experienced since the establishment of the signal office in this city. Incoming trains from the West are four to twelve hours late, and some are lost altogether. Dispatches from Oklahoma and Indian territory say the snow is accompanied by cold winds, and the thermometer is several degrees below zero. The loss of life is expected to be great. At midnight it is still snowing here.

OMAHA, Feb. 11.—The storm has raged generally in the upper Missouri country, between the river and mountains. In this city the movement of railway trains is generally hampered. All trains on the Elkhorn, Missouri Pacific, Union Pacific and Burlington are two to four hours late. All outgoing trains are abandoned. Reports from the West say the snow is drifting, and a general blockade is imminent. There is great suffering and loss among range cattle.

QUINCY, Ill., Feb. 11.—A severe blizzard is raging in this vicinity tonight. The thermometer is sinking steadily, and the snow and sleet are almost blinding. A strong northwest wind prevails and street car and railway service is impaired.

A Gale Sweeps Great Britain.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—A southwest gale has blown over Great Britain for the last twenty-four hours. In many districts trees have been uprooted, roofs lifted and chimneys and light buildings wrecked. Many accidents are reported from the coast and interior.

A Whole Day's Snowstorm.

A long-continued snowstorm began shortly after midnight yesterday and extended all over Western Washington and Oregon. The snow fell without abating until a little after 8 o'clock last night. While an inch or two accumulated on the ground on the hills, it increased very slowly if at all in depth during the day, for the air became warm and the snow melted almost as soon as it fell. In the country it seems to have remained on the ground somewhat longer, for at Sumas there was six inches at 8 o'clock in the morning and three inches at Whatcom. The storm did not obstruct railway traffic.

DEATHBLOW TO UNITED PRESS.

The New York Monopoly Driven Out of Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—The Chicago *Tribune*, Chicago *Herald* and Chicago *Post* have withdrawn from the United Press and joined the Associated Press. The *Illinois Staats Zeitung*, which some five months ago suspended the report of the Associated Press and took that of the United Press, has returned to the Associated Press and severed all relations with the United Press. As a consequence of these accessions all the leading papers of Chicago are now members of the Associated Press. Service to the Chicago *Tribune*, *Herald* and *Illinois Staats Zeitung* begins today. Service to the Chicago *Post* begins tomorrow morning.

Princess Colonna in New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Princess Evelyn Colonna, daughter of Mrs. John W. Mackay, and whose suit for a judicial separation from her husband is pending in the courts of France, was a passenger on the steamship New York, which arrived from Southampton about 9 this morning. The princess was accompanied by her three children, a maid and her brother, J. W. Mackay, jr. The party traveled incognito and were down on the steamer's list as "Mr. J. M. Morgan and valet; Mrs. Morgan and three children." A representative of the Associated Press who boarded the New York at quarantine endeavored to learn from Mackay the plans of the princess. "I must really ask you to excuse me from saying anything about my sister," said Mackay. "I do not intend to be interviewed by the press, and will let you know it is useless to attempt to interview the princess. She has nothing to say for publication. The princess looked as though the sea voyage had done her good. The party ate an early breakfast and immediately went to the deck to view the harbor as the New York came up the bay. While the steamship was making a landing the princess chatted gaily from the upper deck with her father, who was on the wharf to meet her. The princess expressed to her friends the greatest pleasure at being in her native land, and she and her friends were among the first to step ashore. The princess mysteriously disappeared from Paris a few days ago, and there has been a great deal of speculation as to her movements since that time. The proceedings in the pending divorce suit were to have come up in the French courts February 16.

An English Princess Injured.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Princess Ena, the 6-year-old daughter of Prince Henry of Battenburg and Princess Beatrice, met with a serious accident while riding in the grounds at Osborne, Isle of Wright, Saturday. A groom was leading the pony, when the animal stumbled. The princess was pitched headforemost to the ground. She was able to walk to the palace, but soon after arriving there fell asleep and has not yet awakened. A specialist was summoned, and has since been in attendance upon her. It is feared she has sustained serious injuries to her head.

DEATH OF NORMAN R. KELLEY.

One of the Founders of Sedro Suddenly Passes Away.

Information was received from Sedro yesterday of the sudden death of Norman R. Kelley, one of the founders of the town, of heart failure, aged about 32 years.

Mr. Kelley returned to Sedro from New York about Christmas. Only two days before his death he received a telegram from New York announcing the death of his mother, and then began to drink heavily.

Mr. Kelley was the son of Albert Kelley, a wealthy banker on Wall street, New York, and was educated as a mechanical engineer. He first came to the Sound in 1886, and was right-of-way agent on the second forty miles of the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern railroad. He afterwards engaged in the real estate business, and joined with several friends in founding the town of Sedro, where he still owned considerable property. He also engaged in prospecting, and in the spring of 1890 made a trip into the Olympic mountains, being one of the first to penetrate that then unknown region. About two years ago he went to New York, and remained there until his arrival on the Sound about Christmas. He was a young man of many fine qualities, and made many friends during his residence in this city, where he made his headquarters.

At the request of Mr. Kelley's father J. R. McDonald goes to Sedro today to take charge of the remains. He will bring them to this city, have them embalmed by Bonney & Stewart and send them to New York for interment.

Mr. Wilson's Illness.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 11.—Congressman Wilson spent a quiet day in his rooms at the Coates house, and tonight is resting quietly. Dr. Porter, the attending physician, says Wilson is suffering from follicular laryngitis. "His ailment is not of a serious nature," the doctor added, "and there is no truth in the sensational reports circulated last night that he is dangerously ill." Mr. Wilson expected to leave for Mexico over the Santa Fe route Tuesday, but, acting on the doctor's advice, will not leave until Wednesday or Thursday.

Funeral of Congressman Houk.

DAYTON, O., Feb. 11.—The body of Hon. George W. Houk, congressman from this district, was buried here today. The funeral train arrived from Washington City at 1:45 p. m. Accompanying the body were Senator Allen, of Nebraska; Congressmen Ritchie, Hulick and Hart, of Ohio; Bryan, of Nebraska; Springer and McDonald, of Illinois; Talbot, of Indiana; Ellis, of Oregon, and McKaig, of Maryland.

Funeral of Frank Bailey.

The funeral of Frank J. Bailey took place yesterday from the Cross Undertaking Company's parlors, the interment being made at Lake View cemetery. The services were under the auspices of Company E, N. G. W., and the high school cadets, about sixty members of both organizations following the body to the grave. Rev. Clark Davis preached the funeral sermon.

A Tacoma Pioneer Dead.

TACOMA, Feb. 11.—[Special.]—Gilman W. Prichard died this evening, aged 74 years. He was born at Grandville, O., and was a pioneer of Tacoma, having come to this city in 1883. He was formerly Northern Pacific land and ticket agent, and later in partnership with his son in the real estate and insurance business. The funeral will take place Tuesday.

NOTABLE DEAD.

W. W. Cooley, a prominent lawyer of Aspen, Col., dropped dead at the Hotel Albany in Denver Sunday, of heart disease.

Charles J. Currie, ex-attorney general of Maryland and counsel for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad and Western Union Telegraph Company, is dead.

The United States warship Bennington has arrived at Genoa and is awaiting orders.