

"PROGRESSIVE MODERATE" Congress' View of President's Message.

LEGISLATION SUGGESTED.

The Document was Read in Both the Branches—The Members Listened Intently; They Do No Other Business.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—President Roosevelt surprised the leaders of his party in Congress by the moderate tone of his annual message read in both Houses yesterday.

The message was received by the Senate at 12:13 p. m. and within a minute Secretary Bennett had begun the reading of the document under directions from the vice-president.

The reading of the president's message was concluded at 2:30 p. m., and the Senate went into executive session and adjourned at 2:33.

William J. Bryan spent an hour or more in the Marble room of the Senate

Often The Kidneys Are Weakened by Over-Work.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

It used to be considered that only urinary and bladder troubles were to be

As a result of the fact that the kidneys are the filters of the blood, and that they are the most important organs of the body.

Therefore, when your kidneys are weak or out of order, you can understand how quickly your entire body is affected and how every organ seems to fail to do its duty.

If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking the great kidney remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, because as soon as your kidneys are well they will help all the other organs to health.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, is soon realized.

It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases, and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles.

By mail free, also a pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

Look for This Sign ON NEW BUZZELL BLOCK, PEARL STREET.

Billiards, Bowling and Pool Furnished Rooms.

Come morning, noon or evening. Always ready for business. Try your skill at Bowling, Billiards or Pool.

A good tonic for the over-worked office man. Most up-to-date and best conducted Public Rooms in the state. Watch blackboard at the rooms for list of prices.

A. H. BUZZELL, Proprietor.

FIRE Insurance Rates REDUCED

Seventeen old reliable Stock Companies and five Mutuals. Take your choice. Call and investigate. Any competition met, in companies that have had an experience of from 25 to 100 years.

J. W. DILLON, and 4, Bolster Block, Barre, Vt.

Hood's Pills Peptiron Pills

After dinner pills, useful vegetable product, for the stomach, and give relief. Hood's Pills, Peptiron Pills, made by Hood's Pills Co., Lowell, Mass.

Yesterday, exchanging courtesies with senators. Most of the Democratic members of the Senate called to pay their respects, as did also a number of Republicans.

Senate Has 900 Recess Nominations.

The president yesterday sent to the Senate the nomination of Colonel Chas. H. Whipple, assistant paymaster, to be paymaster general of the army, to succeed General Sniffen, who retires Jan. 1.

ANTI-ROOSEVELT FORCES COMBINE.

Find Sentiment Favoring Third Term is Gradually Running Out.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—Distinct signs begin to appear that President Roosevelt will not permit himself to be renominated. A marked change in the political situation has taken place in many parts of the country in the last few weeks.

At the same time there is much activity. Leaders of the movements for the various anti-administration candidates have been doing a lot of work.

With all his political ability, it begins to look as if the president has been put in a tight hole by his relentless and adroit adversaries.

WANT CANTEN PUT BACK IN THE SOLDIERS' HOME

Board Tells Roosevelt It Can't Get Support in Congress.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—President Roosevelt yesterday received the board of managers of the soldiers' home, among whom was former Representative Wadsworth of New York.

Mrs. William J. Bryan GOING TO THE HOLY LAND.

Sails With Her Daughter, Mrs. Leavitt, on Saturday.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 4.—Mrs. William J. Bryan left yesterday afternoon for New York. Accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, she will sail Saturday for Cairo, Egypt.

SAYS RYAN WROTE LETTERS SENT WITH BODY.

Davenport, Boston Handwriting Expert, Testifies in Trial Over Girl's Death in Dover, N. H.

Dover, N. H., Dec. 4.—The jury returned a verdict in the case of Elmer E. Ryan of Hittsburg, Mass., as an accessory before the fact in causing the death of Katherine Ryan of Lowell in this city, Aug. 24, heard the first of the government's evidence at the morning session of the court yesterday.

Seven witnesses were heard after County Solicitor Dwight Hall had outlined the case, he government seeking to establish the fact of the girl's death by the testimony of several physicians, and to connect Ryan with her affairs through certain letters found in the dead girl's effects.

The principal medical witness was Dr. G. A. Tolman of this city, who said he was called to the house of Dr. Stackpole and examined the body of Miss Ryan. Death had taken place, in his opinion, more than 20 hours before.

Dr. Sullivan corroborated Dr. Tolman's testimony. Mrs. D. L. Graff of Lowell, aunt of the dead girl, said her niece left her home for Littleton, N. H., Aug. 6, and identified certain letters which she found in the trunk sent to her from Dover with the body.

Mrs. Ellen E. Sherman of Littleton told of the visit of Miss Ryan to her home and her leaving on Aug. 18.

R. N. Davenport, a handwriting expert from Boston, expressed the opinion that the letters were written by Ryan.

ORDERED TO CHINA.

Cameron Highlanders Transferred From South America.

London, Dec. 4.—It is announced at Aldershot that, owing to the decision of the Powers to increase the strength of the European forces in North China, the 2d Battalion of the Cameron Highlanders will proceed from South Africa, where it is now stationed, to Tientsin.

Vesuvius in Violent Eruption.

Naples, Dec. 4.—Mount Vesuvius is again in violent eruption. Great clouds of ashes rise from the crater and fall on the entire surrounding region.

TO REJECT HYDE OFFER

\$1,000,000 Tender to Equitable Co.

TO COVER WIDE DEALINGS

Former Vice-president of the Equitable Life Wants to Settle with That Sum the Suit for Accounting.

New York, Dec. 4.—Atty.-Gen. Jackson is likely to refuse the offer to restore \$1,000,000 alleged to have been diverted from the treasury of the Equitable Life Assurance society, as a basis for settlement of the suit against the old board of Equitable directors which he has inherited from his predecessor in office.

A wide variety of transactions is covered by the refund offer. The largest sum involved is that which James H. Hyde, the former vice-president, offered to put up. This included the \$62,232 which he admitted receiving in profits from participations in syndicates, in which also the Equitable has an interest.

The settlement offer was received by the attorney-general who will press the suit for a general accounting.

The ground upon which Deputy Attorney-General Donnelly reported adversely to the acceptance of the compromise is that it did not cover all matters referred to in the complaint as a basis for the alleged losses suffered by the society under the old administration.

The outlook is promising. All signs point to a fine team; with but one exception all the members of last year's team will be out, and there is, moreover, some good material in the freshman class.

AGAINST SUNDAY THEATERS.

A Sweeping Court Decision Given in New York.

New York, Dec. 4.—The Sunday theatre in New York City will be a thing of the past if a decision rendered by Justice O'Gorman in the Supreme court yesterday is enforced.

BRITISH LORD CHANCELLOR WED TO MISS HICKS-BEACH

First Time a Lord Chancellor Has Married During Term.

London, Dec. 4.—In the little Gothic crypt of the chapel beneath Westminster hall, Sir Robert Thresholt, Baron Loreburn, the lord chancellor, was married yesterday afternoon to Miss Violet Hicks-Beach, a niece of Lord St. Aldwyn.

UNIFORM INSURANCE LAW.

The Commissioners Are to Discuss the Problem.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 4.—State Insurance Commissioner Henry O. Prevelt has called a meeting of the committee on taxation of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners for Dec. 18 in Louisville. Mr. Prevelt also invites the members of the association and representatives of life and fire insurance companies to attend the meeting and in drawing up a uniform insurance taxation law for submission to the legislatures of the various states.

OIL SUIT POSTPONED.

Action For Standard Dissolution Goes Over.

New York, Dec. 4.—The hearing in the did not proceed through by the government against the Standard Oil company was adjourned yesterday until Jan. 6, in order that counsel for each side might agree on the admission of testimony taken in other proceedings against the oil company.

FOUR BURNED TO DEATH.

Children Lose Their Lives in Three Rivers, Que., Fire.

Three Rivers, Que., Dec. 4.—The residence of Mrs. Dupont caught fire last night while her husband was absent and four of her six children were burned to death.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

BOXING IN CHURCH.

Police to Referee Bouts Between Vestrymen in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—By way of presenting an attraction at their annual church bazaar, for the benefit of the building fund, the vestry of St. Margaret's Episcopal church, Seventy-fifth street and Coles avenue, have arranged for two three-round boxing matches between some of the husbands of the parish.

Chief of Police Shippy has consented to referee one of the bouts, and Inspector Hunt of the Hyde Park station will officiate at the other.

The Old Way

6-5-4

SAW WOOD

Means hard work—so does the "old way" of polishing stoves and stoves.

Try the New Way. Use 6-5-4!

It shines itself, is applied like paint, will not rub, or wash, off and each application wears months.

For sale by Reynolds & Son, N. D. Phelps & Co., C. W. Averill & Co. and K. A. Prindle.

BAKER'S WILLS.

Leaves \$10,000 to Mrs. Hurd—Third of Estate to Her Daughter.

Boston, Dec. 4.—With the filing of the will of Walter F. Baker in the Suffolk probate court there was disclosed another suggestion of the intimacy that existed between Baker and Mrs. Frank Hurd, with whom he lived at Bogota, N. J., and at whose house he died on October 10.

This is found in the second bequest contained in the will: "To my friend, Helen Bray Hurd of Bogota, N. J., \$10,000, with a request that it is to be used in accordance with a letter I will have for her."

If Mr. Baker left a letter for Mrs. Hurd, the fact is not known to his brother Edward of this city. Nor has Mrs. Hurd herself admitted the existence of such a letter. One of Walter Baker's friends gave it as his opinion that Baker had deferred writing this secret letter of instruction too long; that death had come to him before he had put on paper the words that were to determine the specific disposition of this money.

The will was found in the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust company's vault ten days after Baker's death, enclosed in an envelope marked "To be opened after the death of Walter Baker." It is written in Baker's handwriting on five pages of note paper. The witnesses are Mrs. Nathalie Young, sister of Mrs. Hurd and Mrs. Mary Maud Mum, a neighbor of the Hurds at Bogota. Both of these women were friends of Baker, and had been his guests at these parties and at his last Christmas party at Bogota.

BASKET BALL OPENS.

Fine Schedule Arranged at University of Vermont.

Burlington, Dec. 4.—Basket ball manager Ranney has arranged the following schedule for the university of Vermont team, subject of course to change:

Jan. 7, Massachusetts Agricultural college at Burlington.

Jan. 9, Dartmouth at Hanover.

Jan. 17, Tufts at Burlington.

Jan. 22, Norwich at Burlington.

Feb. 15, Union at Burlington.

Feb. 18, Norwich at Northfield.

Feb. 27, Massachusetts Agricultural college at Amherst.

Feb. 28, Springfield Training school at Springfield.

Feb. 29, Lowell Textile school at Lowell.

BOMBS EXPLODED HUNDREDS IN PERIL.

Several Thrown From Beds, House Shaken, Big Show Window Smashed.

New York, Dec. 4.—Several hundred persons living in the vicinity of the five-story tenement house 502 East Fourteenth street were badly frightened early yesterday, when a bomb was exploded in front of the building. No one was injured, but a big show window on the ground floor was blown out, the house was shaken and several tenants thrown from their beds.

A meeting of the St. Bartholomew society, an Italian benevolent organization, was being held in the banking offices of C. Albanese & Co., on the ground floor of the building. Members of the society said they were convinced the bomb was intended for them. While the affair had some earmarks of the so-called Black Hand attacks, no one in the house would admit having received any threatening letters.

PACKERS GET IT ALL.

Retail Dealers Say Price Reduction Hasn't Helped Them.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Sol Westfield, president of the Retail Merchants' association of this city, issued a statement yesterday explaining the retail situation. He denied that the packers had made any reduction in meat prices, and responded the latter, with a smile that threatened the integrity of its shell—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Fresh Egg.

The cold storage egg had emerged after three years of seclusion. "I'm as good as you are," it remarked to the egg newly laid.

"You're certainly fresh enough," responded the latter, with a smile that threatened the integrity of its shell—Philadelphia Ledger.

Carlo.

Hi! Carlo, jumpa down dere, You lazy dog! Com', see, Dees jontleman would have dat chair For see an' talk weeth me. Ah! What! You gonna growl an' bite? Ah! I show you den—Don't go signore. Wai, alla right; I hope you com' again.

Ha, Carlo, w'at you theunka dat? You drive da man away, You lazy, ogly lumpa fat, You good-for-nothing! Eh? Seece time w'en I was kind to you An' peck you from da street, Ees not wan' leetla theeng you do For earn da food you eat. Eef you would even chase da rat You might be worth to keep, But, no, you are so dumb, so fat, You jus' can eat an' sleep. How dare you do seccen' gly treck An' growla so like dat! Jus' wait ontell I gat my steek—Now, see w'at you weel gat; Eh? Don'ta roll your eyes at me; Keep steel your taila, too, No leek my handa! Don't you see I an' an' cross weeth you! Ha! Stop! You theenk dees maik' me feel.

You love me like you should! Not mooch! Jus' keep dat taila steel An' I weel beat you good. You theenk buycease I gat so few De frands dat love me, I am afraid for whippin' you! Jus' close your eyes an' see! Aha! So now you run away. O! wai, dees steek weel day— I gonna heat you good som' day— Som' day w'on you are sleep.

—Catholic Standard and Times.

MANY CASES OF RHEUMATISM

Gives Prescription Which Anyone Can Prepare

DRIVES OUT URIC ACID

Makes The Kidneys Take Out The Poisons—Druggists Say It's The Only Mixture Known Which Cures These Cases Without Injury

Thousands of men and women who have felt the sting and torture of this dread disease, which is no respecter of age, persons, sex, color or rank, will be interested to know that while for many years rheumatism was considered an incurable disease, now it is one of the easiest afflictions of the human body to conquer.

Medical science has proven it not a distinct disease in itself, but a symptom caused by inactive kidneys. Rheumatism is uric acid in the blood and other waste products of the system which should be filtered and strained out in the form of urine.

The function of the kidneys is to sift these poisons and acids out and keep the blood clean and pure. The kidneys, however, are of sponge-like substance, the holes or pores of which will sometimes, either from overwork, cold or exposure become clogged and inactive, and failing in their function of eliminating these poisons from the blood, they remain in the veins decompose and settling about the joints and muscles, cause the untold suffering and pain of rheumatism and backache, often producing complications of bladder and urinary diseases, weakness, etc.

The following prescription is said to relieve the worst cases of rheumatism because of its direct action upon the blood and kidneys, relieving, too, the most severe forms of bladder and urinary troubles: Fluid Extract Dandelion, one half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup, Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Mix by shaking well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime.

The ingredients can be had from any good prescription pharmacy, and are absolutely harmless and safe to use at any time.

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BALTIC POOL FIGHT BEGUN BY BOARD.

Hears Argument That Hamburg Company Controls American Commerce.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—Argument on the demurrer filed the defendant in the case of the Cosmopolitan Shipping company against the Hamburg-American Packet company, better known as the Baltic pool, in which the contention is made that the interstate commerce commission has no jurisdiction over the acts complained of, was begun yesterday before the commission.

In the complaint filed early in the spring the charge was made that the Hamburg-American Packet company controlled business from European ports to ports of the United States, and through railroad connections on this side extended its sphere of influence to the interior of the country.

It was further charged that the Baltic pool was the most powerful monopoly on earth, and that in its operations it violated the interstate commerce act, the Sherman trust act and other laws of the United States.

MOTHER FEARS BOY WILL BE KIDNAPPED.

John Nicholas Brown, Heir to \$10,000,000, Taken Suddenly to Europe.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 4.—Heir to \$10,000,000 and the richest seven-year-old boy in the world, John Nicholas Brown has been suddenly taken to Europe by his mother. Stories of attempts to kidnap the boy are being told again.

The Newport nurse of the boy accompanies him. When the party reaches Europe it will join Mrs. Harold Brown for an automobile tour of the continent.

Young Master Brown has not been in good health, and it is hoped the trip will benefit him.

During all of the boy's years he has been guarded by a corps of detectives. His playground, outdoors, has been a barbed wire corral, with watchers' eyes always upon him. It has been said that his bedroom has barred doors and windows.

Mrs. Brown was a daughter of the late Col. George W. Dresser of the United States engineer corps, and is a sister of Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt. She lives a rather quiet life here, despite her wealth, devoting all her time to her young sons of the "\$10,000,000 baby," whose riches came from his father's estate.

RUNAWAY AIRSHIP STILL SWEEPING NORTHWARD.

French War Balloon Passes Over Scotland and Keeps Going.

Glasgow, Dec. 4.—Telegrams received here declare that the French military balloon La Patrie, which accidentally got away from Verdun, France, last Saturday, passed over Clydebank, Dumfrieshire, Scotland, yesterday afternoon, going in a northwesterly direction.

La Patrie was last reported over the northeastern part of Ireland Sunday afternoon. There is no one on board of her.

OHIO PAPER MILLS WORK AT FULL BLAST AGAIN.

National Cash Register Company Also Takes Back More of Its Force.

Dayton, O., Dec. 4.—The Friend Paper company's mills at West Carrollton, have resumed operations, the full force of a thousand employes being taken back. Receiver Newell will operate the plant.

The National Cash Register company has taken on another part of its force, and it is announced that further additions will be made every week from this time on.

FIRE STARTS AN AUTO EXHIBITION ON THE RUN

Show Machines in Chicago Have to Get Out in a Hurry.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Fire started yesterday in the Seventh regiment armory in a portion of which an annual automobile exhibition is in progress.

Automobiles valued at thousands of dollars were in jeopardy, but were removed in time to escape damage.

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QUINCY GRANITE CUTTERS ASK MORE

Want 40 Cents—Manufacturers Ask That 27½ Cents Be Scale, and an Average, Instead of Minimum.

Quincy, Mass., Dec. 4.—The agreement between the Quincy Granite Manufacturers' association and the Quincy Granite Cutters' Union will expire next March