

PROVIDE FOR A PRECEDENT

Senate Passes a Joint Resolution for a Constitutional Amendment.

DEFEATS AN INCOME TAX AMENDMENT

Democrats Try to Attach it to Resolution on a Rider, but the Proposition is Tabled by Vote of Republicans.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Quite unexpectedly a brief but sharp debate was precipitated in the senate today on the income tax proposition.

Mr. Mills (Tex.) proposed an amendment in the form of a new section, intended to authorize congress to lay a tax on income in such form as to meet the requirements of the decision of the supreme court.

He was sharply criticized for endeavoring to place such a rider on a resolution which practically all senators favored, but stood his ground and insisted upon a vote on his amendment.

The joint resolution which was adopted reads as follows: In all cases not provided for by article 2, clause 5, of the constitution, where there is no person entitled to discharge the duties of the office, the president, the same shall devolve upon the vice president.

Mr. Morgan (Ala.) delivered an extended speech upon the measure, in the course of which he indicated the great importance of the measure as a precedent.

At the conclusion of Mr. Morgan's speech Mr. Conner (Mo.) proposed the passage of the following resolution: That the secretary of the treasury is hereby directed to make a report showing the coinage value of the silver bullion in the treasury, and the amount of existing treasury notes issued in its purchase.

Mr. Harris, continuing the debate upon the pending railroad bill, urged the adoption of his amendment as the least that congress could do in protecting the interests of the country.

Mr. Pettigrew (S. D.) said that the Sioux City road was a link so important to the Northwestern system, if the government should insist upon the payment of its principal claim in full—about \$1,600,000—the Northwestern would pay it.

At 2 o'clock the railroad bill was displaced by a special order, which was a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States providing for the succession in case of the death of the president-elect before his inauguration.

Mr. Mills (Tex.) offered the following amendment in the form of a new section: Sec. 2. Direct taxes shall not be apportioned among the several states which may be included within this union according to their respective numbers, but congress shall have power to lay and collect direct taxes on the income from imports and excises are levied and collected.

Mr. Mills explained that his amendment was offered in order that the points raised by the supreme court against the income tax proposition might be met.

Mr. Foraker announced that he was in favor of both the resolution and the pending amendment. He was in favor, he said, of an income tax. He would vote, however, under the circumstances, to lay the proposed amendment on the table.

Chandler's Burning Words. In the course of other remarks upon the amendment by Mr. Mills and Mr. Stewart Mr. Chandler pressed them hard to know why they were not willing to separate propositions which had not the slightest relation to the subject.

Mr. Hoar declared that the income tax proposition was as big a piece of demagoguery as was ever conceived. He inquired of Mr. Stewart how much the millionaire mine owners of Nevada contributed to the state through the state income tax.

The eyes and nose were called on the motion to lay the proposed amendment on the table and it was carried—22 to 25, as follows: Yeas—Aldrich, Baker, Caffery, Carter, Chandler, Davis, Deboe, Edkins, Fairbank,

ABOUT PHILIPPINES' TRADE

Consul Williams Furnishes the State Department with Data.

EXPORTS LARGELY TO THIS COUNTRY

Considerably Over One-Half of the Outside Trade of the Islands is Transacted with the United States.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The understanding at the State Department is that Consul Oscar F. Williams, our representative at Manila until the war began, is now abroad the flagship Olympia in Manila harbor.

A small report from Consul Williams reached the State Department recently, under date of Manila, February 28 last. It gives a full description of the Philippine islands, their resources, etc., and will be incorporated in the volume issued by the Bureau of Statistics of the State Department.

Local and European authorities estimate the area of the Philippine islands at 15,000 square miles, and their population at 15,000,000. The island of Luzon, on which the city of Manila is situated, is larger than New York and Massachusetts, and has a population of 5,000,000, and the island of Mindanao is nearly, if not quite, as large.

Mr. Williams states that twenty-two consulates, representing the leading commercial countries of the world, are established at Manila, and that the volume of the export coming under his official supervision, equals that of my twenty-one consular colleagues combined.

He then shows in detail how the trade of the Philippines with the United States exceeds that of all other countries combined, and is growing at a remarkable rate.

Mr. Williams shows from this that the United States has 90 per cent of the export trade from the Philippines, as against 38 per cent for Great Britain and other countries.

He also gives details of the large shipment of sugar, cigars, tobacco, woods, hides, shells, indigo, etc., to the United States, which is second in importance, the shipments to the United States being 55 per cent of the total to all points.

Mr. Williams stated that Manila had just passed through a devastating fire, the total loss being \$2,500,000. He said the city had not been totally destroyed had it not been for the splendid service of an American fire engine brought from Seneca Falls, N. Y.

In another report Mr. Williams gives the railroad and ocean steamship facilities of the islands. The main railroad from Manila is first class, having steel rails, stone culverts and English engines, which make forty-five miles an hour.

There are six daily papers, three banks, a mint, a chamber of commerce and complete electric light and telephone plants. The Mexican dollar is in general use.

Armour's Gine Factory. CHICAGO, May 4.—Armour's gine factory, 3713 First and Benard streets, was destroyed by fire last night for half an hour this afternoon.

Stand of Colors for the Harvard. CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 4.—At one of the largest mass meetings ever held at Cambridge it was voted to send a stand of colors to the cruiser Harvard, formerly the American liner New York.

Reported Assassination of a Canadian. LONDON, May 4.—The report in circulation at Gibraltar that Senor Moret, the Spanish minister, and Marshal Martinez de Campos, the former captain general of Cuba, have been assassinated, is unfounded.

Deficiency Estimate for Navy. WASHINGTON, May 4.—The secretary of the navy sent to the house today a deficiency estimate of \$20,975,500 for the remainder of the present fiscal year and on the account of the fiscal year 1898.

NO INDIAN BILL CONFERENCE

Members of the Two Committees Are Again Prevented from Getting Together.

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WASHINGTON, May 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Again have the conferees on the Indian bill failed to get together, this time Senator Allison being engaged on a war tax measure being responsible for the postponement of the conference. It is not possible to even predict when the conference will meet.

Senator Thurston today introduced a bill for the relief of W. H. Harrison of Hall county for \$72 per month. Senators Kyle, Carter and Hansbrough had a conference with the secretary of war in reference to states which will be called upon to make up Colonel Grigsby's regiment of mounted rangers, to be known as the Third United States cavalry.

Spanish in Mexico Chagrined. Had Been Expecting a Victory in the Philippines. CITY OF MEXICO, May 4.—The government has stopped the contemplated meeting of Spanish clerks here for the purpose of raising money and volunteers for Spain.

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DEATH RECORD.

Former Diplomat Agent. WASHINGTON, May 4.—News has been received here of the death today at Pendleton, S. C., of Mr. William H. Trezcott, a man well known to diplomats and public men.

PIONEER OF TEACHECH.

TEACHECH, Neb., May 4.—(Special Telegram.)—After a brief illness Judge R. W. McKee died at his home here today. He was pioneer settler a man who had served the people of this county in official position and was generally known and highly regarded.

Spanish-Americans Are Loyal. ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., May 4.—(Special.)—The society for mutual protection of old Albuquerque, which is composed entirely of American citizens of Spanish descent, at a meeting yesterday adopted resolutions by unanimous vote endorsing this country in its war with Spain and pledging their most loyal support.

Rock Island Announces Changes in Several of Its Important Passenger Services. The time cards of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific that are to go into effect on Sunday arrived in this city on Wednesday morning, and show that the Rock Island is to give Omaha better passenger service than ever before.

Another New Time Card. On and after Sunday next the eastbound trains leaving Omaha will be as follows: No. 4, local train, 7:20 a. m.; No. 6, Chicago express, 5 p. m., instead of 4:50 p. m.; No. 2, local for Des Moines and Chicago, 7 p. m., as now; No. 42, the new flyer between Denver, Omaha and Chicago, 1:30 a. m., arriving in Chicago at 2:15 o'clock of the same afternoon.

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LAKE SHORE ANNUAL STATEMENT.

CLEVELAND, May 4.—The twenty-eighth annual meeting of the stockholders of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railway was held here today. The auditor's annual report shows that the company operates 1,403.91 miles of road, while the miles of tracks, including second, third and side tracks, owned by it, are 2,651.02.

Passenger officials of the Klondike line state that not more than 27,000 tickets have been sold in the Klondike region since the excitement began. The low rates have not perceptibly increased the business, they state. Some of the railway lines are beginning to show a profit, and there are bright prospects for a heavy movement from this date on.

The Elkhorn railroad has received word from the United States attorney of the South Dakota National Guard, that that railroad will move the state troops of South Dakota from Whitecourt, Rapid City and Pierre to Fort Snelling, Minn., on Thursday. One special train of nine cars will be furnished for the movement. The headquarters of the adjutant general at present are at Pierre, S. D.

The receivers of the Union Pacific system will issue no report covering operations for the fiscal year ended December 31. In previous years the annual reports have been issued about May 1. Receiver Mink says: "The fact that many properties formerly in the system have been reorganized with resultant readjustment of interest charges, etc., and are now being independently operated, would make the customary report valueless. It is doubtful if the new Union Pacific system will issue an annual report covering last year's operations."

The Treasury department has issued this notice, which hereby orders the one-half of the amount of compensation for services rendered to the United States by the Kansas Pacific Railroad company over the bonds and notes of the company, Compensation for like services rendered on and after the date of payment of its indebtedness shall be paid to the company in cash, without reference to its interest account with the United States.

It is learned that E. Rollins Morse and Edward F. Whitney, Boston, and Charles H. Coster, New York, some time ago resigned as directors of the Oregon Short Line, and James Loeb, Oliver W. Mink and Winslow S. Pierce were elected to succeed them. This change in directors was occasioned by the sale of the \$5,000,000 Oregon Short Line stock in the Union Pacific collateral trust by Drexel, Morgan & Co., as trustees to the Union Pacific Reorganization committee. Messrs. Morse, Whitney, and Coster represented Drexel, Morgan & Co. in the Oregon Short Line bond, and when the Drexel-Morgan stock changed hands the Union Pacific people came into the management.

We've our guns leveled at these cheap in price, cheap in quality men's tan shoes—Drexel L. Shoeman don't have that kind—it's big value for little money—here take our \$3.00 tan shoes for men—shoe buyers appreciate the big value we give in this shoe—we have them in the new seal brown, ox blood or tan—Russia calf or vici kid—a dressy shoe and one that's made to wear and give satisfaction—it has all the good points of our well known \$3.00 tan shoe that gave such universal satisfaction last winter—a comfortable shoe from the start—build and nevelist coin toe styles—a good \$5.00 shoe for \$3.00.

Right in these war times we're going to quote you a few prices—startlingly low prices—on a few of the many little and big things that the season demands—in lawn mowers probably no one shows as many sizes and styles—we commence at \$2.50 for a GOOD lawn mower—from that up—garden rakes at 15c—same on hoes—but hose—that's different—yet at 10c we furnish a hose that we will guarantee to have some cheaper—some higher—but every one of them—a full line of poultry wire—all sizes of mesh—in all widths—at the right kind of a price—a complete line of builders' hardware.

Eyes should be properly fitted with good eyeglasses—This means comfort to the wearer—they reinforce the function of the eyes without any undue strain and there is one tax that cannot be levied without pain—the tax on the eyesight—Only an expert optician should be trusted with such a delicate mission—We have secured the services of an expert and thoroughly competent optician who will make a free examination for you—then tell you just what you need and what it will cost.

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