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The 26th Days' Proceedings in Full.

PHOENIX, February 10, 1899.
Special correspondence to THE ORB.

The house was called to order at 10 a. m., all members present.
Prayer by the Chaplain.
Minutes read and approved.
Adams introduced H B 60 to allow weekly papers to bid on printing.
Evans H B 62, to employ at hand labor, persons confined in county jails.
H B 20, providing free school books was passed.
House went into whole committee to consider Papago county bill.
Doan gave notice he would tomorrow move to reconsider the vote on the Papago bill.
Sanders was called to the chair and the board of control bill was considered in committee of the whole.
The bill was read in full.
Doan offered a substitute.
The substitute adopted and bill referred to judiciary committee.
C B 16, peddler's license placed on final passage and carried.
C B 7, an act relating to incorporation of towns, was referred to judiciary committee.
C B 18 by Finley, to authorize retention of commission for collection of poll tax, was read first and second time and referred to judiciary.
H B 66, by Moore, an act to pay mileage to live stock inspectors and detectives, passed to a second reading.
H B 67, by Moore, to permanently locate territorial prison at Prescott.
Gray moved to make special order H B 36, equal suffrage, carried.
Message from council reporting passage of C. B. 35, by Goldwater, limiting the terms of territorial officers.
Adams offered substitute to submit the matter of equal suffrage to the qualified voters at the next general election. Moore moved adoption of substitute; lost.
Committee arose, reported favorably, and under suspension of the rules the bill was considered engrossed, read third time and passed the house.
Adjourned to 10 tomorrow.

COUNCIL

Met at usual hour and roll call showed all members present.
Journal of yesterday read and approved.
C B 38, an act to provide for direct legislation to the people of Arizona, read.
C B 40, introduced by Goldwater, creating a board of public works and equalization, read first and second time by title and 200 copies ordered printed.
C B 22, by Goldwater, an act pertaining to registration in incorporated cities, was read second time.
C B 35, by Goldwater, an act limiting the term of territorial officers, passed.
Adjourned until tomorrow.

Mrs. Catt, the eloquent advocate of woman suffrage, made a telling speech before the legislature last evening and was heard by an audience that crowded every foot of the large hall of the house. Arguments logical, natural and convincing, and justice and the cause of human rights must ever be, says the Phoenix Herald. She left many of her audience wondering, not whether the full rights of citizenship would ever be granted to the wives, mothers, daughters and sisters of our country, but wondering that they had been so long suppressed; wondering that in an enlightened age, a civilized and intelligent government should continue to treat women as have the savage and barbarous tribes of all the ages gone. That Mrs. Catt opened the eyes of some of our legislators and more of our citizens, in a matter where their barbarous inheritance of a tendency to deny to woman a share in the making of government, there is no question. Woman suffrage, Mrs. Catt intimated, is one of the inevitable advances of the age; is a moral growth along the lines of higher civilization and cannot be stayed. It is not merely a result of agitation any more than has been the lifting of any great wrong in the government of the past.

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TELEGRAPHIC SPARKS.

Fresh From the Wires from All Points.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Up to the close of office hours last night, General Otis had sent no news to the war department indicating further conflicts with the natives. He had few casualties to report, these in answer to inquiries from anxious friends of individual soldiers, and he gave notice that he had been obliged to buy a large number of horses to supply transportation needed owing to the lengthening of the American lines.

Secretary Alger fully expects that Otis will make no terms with Aguinaldo while the latter is under arms, and the condition of dealing with him at all is the return of the insurgents to their homes and the surrender of their arms. Certainly General Otis is not now expected to take any action that will amount to recognition of the insurgents as a foe to be treated with on the basis of an independent nation. There was also an absence of news from Manila and it is believed that it will be several days before anything is heard from that point.

Otis wired later: "The insurgents collected a considerable force between Manila and Calocan, where Aguinaldo is reported to be, and threatened an uprising. We drove the enemy out easily. Our losses slight; insurgents considerable. Attack preceded by firing from Admiral Dewey's vessels."

A young lady whose address is Cornville, Yavapai county, writes to the editor of the Jerome Herald that she is "dead on the marry" and that she wishes to form the acquaintance of some young gentleman between the ages of 21 and 30 years. Here is an extract from her letter: "I am the belle of these plains and attract the smart attention wherever I go. I am a grate favorite with all the boys on the creek and several duels have been fit over me. I could get married any day but would not wipe my feet on any hay digger that ever ran bare feet on the sand places by the Verde. I am six feet three inches high and weigh 113 pounds. I have a ruddy complexion and social eyes. I live alone with my mother and make the living tillin' our 40 acre farm. I am 37 years of age and am tired of being a old maid. Now, Mr. Editor, please give my letter a place in your paper and oblige a lonely ole maid."

SAL SKINNER, Cornville, Arizona.

As the result of strong drink, another killing has been recorded at San Antonio, Texas, and two more men have gone to render an account of their doings upon this earth. Both men leave families to mourn their loss. The "Pass City Independent" has the following account of the sad affair: "Bob Marx, an ex-ranger, and proprietor of a saloon on Laredo and Commerce street in San Antonio, and John Bennett, proprietor of the Silver King, Turf Exchange and Cotton Exchange in San Antonio, were both shot, the results from which they both died in that city Thursday morning. Marx was drinking heavily, and had just previous to the killing been released on bond on a charge of firing a pistol in his own saloon, and after his release he walked over to the Silver King and began a quarrel with Bennett. Just what passed between them is not known, but eye witnesses say that Bennett fired after he had fallen to the floor. Neither party spoke after they were shot, though Bennett lived for several hours after. Marx leaves a wife and nine children, and Bennett leaves a family.

A special meeting of the Arizona Stock Growers' association was held at President Nichols' office in Wilcox Wednesday afternoon, says the Range News. The purpose of the meeting was to draft, or at least to agree upon a measure to prevent brand burning. A general discussion of the subject disclosed a remarkable unanimity of sentiment, but owing to the non arrival of certain statutes which had been sent for, final action was entrusted to President Nichols, who was authorized and requested to go to Phoenix at the expense of the association and to confer with the sanitary board and with the legislators in regard to the proposed measure.

Although the pension bill is the largest of all annual appropriations, says the New York Sun, and this year amounted to \$145,333,833, it passed the house with only a few minutes debate, the discussion occupying less than a page of the congressional Record, and breaking all records of the past for brevity. The current appropriation is just \$4,000,000 less than that of last year.

THE COST OF CUBA.

General Wood, speaking through the Committee of Military Affairs, has informed the House that not more than fifty per cent of the American troops in the province of Santiago are fit for duty. The statement applies only to the province of Santiago as yet, for the reason that this is the only part of the island which has been occupied by American troops long enough to test their ability to stand the climate. The troops under the command of General Wood have had no especial hardships thrust upon them. They have had no fighting to do, their principal service being garrison duty.

As yet there has been no organized opposition to American occupation. Gomez claims to have an army of 40,000 men awaiting events, but the event they are looking forward to the most fully is the arrival of the paymaster. Gomez wants \$40,000,000 to distribute among his men, but would probably take less. The sum of \$10,000,000 is wanted to provide Havana with a sewer system and to put the city in a habitable condition. The money outlay is the least serious part of the cost. Under reasonably good government, says the San Francisco Bulletin, the island will in time return any amount of money that may be expended in putting things in shape, but there can be no compensation for the flower of American manhood that will be a sacrifice to climate. No one knows how it may be later on, but at the present time the Cubans look somewhat coldly upon soldiers and men who are taking their lives to establish order in Cuba.

Narrow-Gauge Railroad Bonds.

Francis J. Henry Esq. of San Francisco is in the city on business before the Court of Private Land Claims; and knowing that he became familiar with our mining law and with the status of the Narrow Gauge Railroad Bonds during his term of office as attorney general of the territory in 1893 and 1894, we requested him to examine the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States relating to those bonds and to give us his opinion as to the possibility of defeating the pending attempt to refund them.

Mr. Henry, kindly assented to do so, and he now states that after fully examining all phases of the pending case and the decision of the Supreme Court, he is of opinion that the court's decision is in favor of the bonds, and that the court has an excellent chance to win the suit upon its merits, as from any technical points. He warmly commends and approves the proposed plan of defense which has been outlined to him in detail by the two lawyers just named, but does not think it would be wise policy to give the plan publicity at this time.

Mr. Henry is so well known to every heavy tax payer of this county as a sound and conscientious lawyer that we feel confident his opinion upon this matter will measurably reassure them in regard to the supposed danger of high taxation in the future upon this account. It likewise demonstrates the correctness of our position in urging the county to fight the case vigorously to the last ditch.—Frontier.

Sixty Thousand Sheep Die.

It is estimated that 60,000 sheep in Southern Colorado are dying of cold and hunger. Many fleeces have been abandoned by the herders.

"Another 24 hours of weather such as has been sweeping Wyoming since Feb. 1, and 50 per cent of the cattle of Wyoming will be dead," said B. Frank Auster. "The winter is, without exception, the worst that has been experienced in that part of the country. There is not a shrub or bunch of grass of any kind visible between this city and Western Wyoming along the railroad, and it would be impossible for the cattle to find anything to eat, even if the weather was warm enough to excite them to such an attempt. All along the line of the Union Pacific the great white stretch of endless plains can be seen dotted here and there with the carcasses of animals. Even should the weather improve immediately and the snow melt off so that the cattle remain in the country, they would find no food to eat, and would starve to death."—Frontier.

THE PHOENIX... (text partially obscured)

The Gazette says that the mistake of the woman's rights' movement managers was in not springing Mrs. Catt on the legislature when the suffrage bill was under actual consideration. That speech made when the house was in committee with the bill before it would have caused an unanimous vote in its favor.

NUMBER 1 volume 1 of the Jerome Herald has reached this office. This spy little weekly is published by D. D. McDonald, who announces that the Herald is the "most reliable paper" published in Jerome, "except the Reporter and Mining News." Here's our tip to Bro. Mc. "Good may you live long and prosper."

The indications are that copper will not only keep advancing in price but that in a very short time it will go out of sight. One of the transcontinental roads is figuring on putting down a double track three rail system to be operated by electricity. This will insure a safe speed of 80 to 100 miles per hour, and will require the employment of four copper cables some 3,000 miles long, two for each track. If one of the transcontinental lines adopt the 3 rail system, all the other competing lines will have to do the same or almost entirely give up the passenger traffic. The engineers say there is absolutely nothing to take the place of copper in handling electricity and that the world's visible supply of the metal is only thirty days at present consumption.

The extradition treaty with Mexico expired a short time ago in accordance with the notice given by the Mexican government, and while it is likely that a new treaty will shortly take the place of that which has expired, there will be a hiatus of some duration between the two treaties. As it happens, there is a remarkably small number of fugitives from justice in either country who might benefit by the lack of a treaty. It was thought that a new treaty would have been concluded by the late Senor Romero, long the Mexican minister at Washington, who might have arranged such a convention at Washington, but the work has now been transferred to the Mexican capital. It is understood that some progress has been made in the negotiation of a new treaty, though, of course, some time may elapse before an agreement can be reached. It seems likely, however, that fugitives from justice will gain but little from the lapse of the Mexican government to exercise a large degree of comity toward the United States in cases where the surrender of fugitive is desired. This disposition may lead to the surrender of some offenders, notwithstanding the lapse of the treaty, in cases where proceedings were begun before the old treaty expired.

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