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GOVERNOR SCOFIELD is in Washington to attend the centennial celebration of the establishment of the national capital in that city. During his absence Lieutenant-Governor Stone does the honors of chief executive of the state.

The Milwaukee wheat market yesterday was staidier, closing at 74c for No. 1 and 71½c for No. 2 Northern. Flour was dull and unchanged. Barley closed at 59c, rye at 51c, corn at 34½c and oats at 25½c. Hogs were steady at \$1.65@1.97½.

WILLARD A. VAN BRUNT, of Horicon, representing the Second Congressional district, enjoys the distinction of having received the largest number of votes on the Republican electoral ticket in Wisconsin. The official returns give him 265,756, which is a plurality of 106,477 over Patrick O'Meara, of the Fifth district, who lead the Democratic electoral ticket with 159,279 votes.

ACCORDING to a plan submitted in The Milwaukee Sentinel, it is proposed to build the Second Congressional district, when the new apportionment is made by the legislature, out of the following counties: Adams, Marquette and Green Lake on the north tier, Sauk and Columbia in the center, and Dane and Jefferson on the south tier. The population of this district would be 203,608, only about 3,000 below the ratio created by the proposed plan. The Sentinel argues that the district would be "of homogeneous territory," but we must admit that in Jefferson county would feel rather strange at first training with politicians from the distant counties of Adams, Marquette and even Sauk. It seems to us that we might be placed in a more compact district. As at present constituted, however, the Second is away below the ratio in population, and its lines will have to be changed materially. This question of population is the only one that need be considered in the reapportionment problem. The political complexion of possible districts will not occasion the slightest worry, as on the basis of this year's vote not a single Democratic district could be formed. Therefore a strictly scientific and non-partisan apportionment may be looked for.

Too Much of a Good Thing.

Under the above caption The Horicon Reporter effectively calls attention to a possible abuse of the free rural mail delivery system as follows:

"There is a well-founded rumor afloat that rural mail delivery routes are being surveyed from Juneau and Mayville which will reach almost to the city limits of Horicon. If these routes are put into operation they will greatly reduce the revenues of our postoffice, so that it will fall in to the fourth class. It will also injure the trade of our merchants because the mail carriers are permitted to make a side line of carrying light articles of merchandise on their trips. This is too much of a good thing and should be effectively nipped in the bud. Free rural mail delivery, carried out in the spirit which it is intended to be by the government, is a good thing, and deserves all encouragement. It gives to those who reside at remote distances from postoffices better facilities, and places them more on a par with others more favorably situated. However, when the original good intention is perverted so as to build up one postoffice and one town to the detriment and tearing down of others, it becomes an act of rank injustice almost criminal in its evil intention. Uncle Sam never meant that this should be done, and it is entirely safe to say that Congressman Dahle will refuse to sanction such underhanded schemes after the facts are once presented to him."

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Washington Letter.
[From our Regular Correspondent.]
Washington, D. C., Dec. 7, 1900.—President McKinley has taken occasion to express his pleasure at the business-like manner in which congress has got down to work, to senators and representatives who have called on him. The house has been especially active. One of the big appropriation bills—legislative, judicial and executive—has been reported; the army reorganization bill, providing for a regular army of from 58,000 to 100,000 men, in the discretion of the president, has been reported and passed; the oleomargarine bill has been passed, and the revenue reduction bill has been reported from the ways and means committee. In the senate the ship subsidy bill, which was taken up by a vote of 38 to 20, the affirmative votes being all Republican, is being considered, and unless the Democrats resort to filibustering tactics will shortly be passed; progress has been made, in executive session, toward the ratification of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and the army bill has been introduced and referred to the military committee. These are only the outward accomplishments. There has, in addition, been an enormous amount of work by the committees of both house and senate toward preparing other measures. All in all it is a remarkable beginning for the session, and reflects credit upon both branches of congress.

The men who are directing the work of congress are thoroughly in accord with the advice in the president's message concerning the danger of being tempted into making extravagant appropriations by the prosperous condition of the national treasury. The tempters are on hand in the persons of those who are asking for extravagant appropriations for all sorts of things, but there will be no extravagance. The country is rich enough and prosperous enough for liberality, but the Republicans do not believe that any country is ever rich enough or prosperous enough to justify extravagance, and no extravagance will be authorized by congress.

Senator Wellington declares that he is still a Republican, but in every vote taken since the senate reassembled in which party lines were drawn he has voted with the Democrats, consequently he is judged by his acts and not by his words. While Mr. Wellington has not been cut by the Republican senators, it must be clearly evident to him that they shun him.

Senator Fairbanks has introduced a bill for the admission to the union as a state of Oklahoma, and providing for two representatives in congress.

The report of the Isthmian canal commission favors the Nicaragua route, as expected, and there is no doubt that the bill for the Nicaragua canal will become a law at this session of congress, although the Hepburn bill which passed the house at the last session and is now pending in the senate may be amended before it is passed. Owing to the number of senators who believe that the treaty negotiated with England by Secretary Hay during the last session of congress, providing for the abrogation of that portion of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty which pledges the United States and England not to construct an Isthmian canal without the consent of both, should be ratified before the canal bill is passed, Senator Lodge, who has charge of the treaty, is pushing it so as to clear the way for the canal bill.

One feature of the ship subsidy bill, now being considered by the senate as the regular order of business. Its opponents are careful to say nothing about it. It is that clause of the measure which provides that all vessels receiving subsidy are required to carry the ocean mails of the United States free of charge, and in case of war may be impressed by this government as auxiliary cruisers or transports. The Nebraska Republican club, of Washington, held a jollification meeting tonight that was a corker. Among the prominent speakers who assisted the Nebraskans to rejoice over the return of their state to the Republican column, where it is likely to stay, were Senators Hanna, Burrows, and Dolliver, and Representative Grosvenor. President McKinley sent a letter, the reading of which aroused the enthusiasm of the meeting to the highest pitch.

A section of the army bill gives the president authority to satisfactorily dispose of the Egan case by placing him on the retired list. The section in question empowers the president to retire any officer who is suspended by a court-martial for a period of or within one year of the date of his compulsory retirement for age. It is understood that this clause was put in the bill because General Egan declined to apply for retirement under the voluntary law.

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GROUT BILL PASSES.

The House Adopts It by a Large Vote—Dairymen Are Rejoicing.

By a vote of 196 to 92, the house of representatives on Friday last passed the Grout oleomargarine bill, which was under consideration a greater portion of the last session, and against which strong, influential lobbies were working at Washington. In many of the dairying sections of the country the Grout measure was an important issue in the campaign just past, and Representative Dahle's effective work in favor of it no doubt gained him many votes among the farmers of this district. Representative Davidson, of the Sixth district, was also a most active champion of the measure. Representative Stewart, of the Ninth district, voted against it.

The bill as passed makes all articles known as oleomargarine, butterine, imitation butter or imitation cheese transported into any state or territory for consumption or sale subject to the police power of such state or territory, but prevents any state or territory from forbidding the transportation or sale of such product when produced and sold free from coloration in imitation of butter. The bill increases the tax on oleomargarine colored in imitation of butter from 2 to 10 cents a pound and decreases the tax on oleomargarine uncolored from 2 cents to 1 cent a pound.

Regarding the interest of the Wisconsin members in the bill, The Sentinel's Washington correspondent says:—Representative Davidson expressed great satisfaction over the Grout bill passing by so large a majority. He has taken an active part in pressing this legislation and was the author of the first bill offered on the subject. Mr. Davidson is a member of the steering committee appointed last winter and has devoted all his time since he arrived here to work on the subject. He participated in the debate to-day and took the view that the manufacturers are primarily responsible for the fraud in the sale of colored oleomargarine. He said he was prepared to prove the fraud by the retail grocers, as he had made a personal inspection of stores in Chicago where dairy butter was advertised, but where nothing but oleomargarine was sold. The fact that the opponents of the Grout bill admitted that fraud was practiced by the retailers made it unnecessary to discuss that proposition. He exhibited a card sent out to the retail trade by one of the leading manufacturers of oleomargarine, which contained illustrations showing the varying colors of different grades of oleomargarine. Mr. Davidson concluded by saying that the manufacturers colored oleomargarine purely for the purpose of deception in order that it may be sold as butter.

Representative Dahle got a few minutes near the close of the debate in which to give the prelude of an extended address which he will print in the record. He spoke for cheap uncolored oleomargarine for the poor man and a high tax on the fraud of colored oleomargarine."

Keep Them Cleaner.

The city streets, especially Main and West Main streets, were in a very dusty condition today and merchants who wished to make a display of goods were handicapped thereby. If sprinkled, the streets would be slippery for traffic and it seems as though no relief can be expected under such conditions.—Daily Times.

The remedy lies, at least to a goodly extent, in cleaner thoroughfares. If the pavement were relieved of its accumulation of mud and dirt more frequently, there would be less filth to be "scattered to the four winds."

Want's Gen. Soliday's Position.

The Milwaukee Sentinel says:—Captain John Turner, of Mauston, is a candidate for quartermaster general of the Wisconsin National guard. He is now quartermaster of the Third regiment and has the support of members of the regiment for the position. Captain Turner is an old guardsman and served with the Third in the Porto Rican campaign. His company was one of those sent to guard the bridge at Aibonita Pass, and while on duty he fell down a cliff and hurt his knee, giving him permanent injuries. He is editor of The Mauston Star and a life-long Republican."

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JEFFERSON COUNTY.—In Probate.
In the matter of the estate of John George Strauss, late of the city of Watertown, in said county, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that at a special term of the county court, to be held in and for said county, at the court house, in the city of Jefferson, in said county, on the 18th day of December, A. D. 1900, at the opening of court on that day or as soon thereafter as the same can be heard, the following matters will be heard and considered:
The application of H. J. Strauss to admit to probate the last will and testament of John George Strauss, late of the city of Watertown, in said county, deceased.
Dated this 15th day of November, A. D. 1900.
By the Court,
GEORGE GRIMM, County Judge.
Skinner & Thauer, Attorneys for Petitioner.
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