

SPEAKER CANNON RAKED FOR STATEHOOD ATTITUDE

Congressman Shackelford Takes Uncle Joe Severely to Task.

DECLARESHIMADESPOT

Packing Committees and Otherwise Ruling House With Iron Hand.

Washington, March 16.—Before proceeding with the legislative bill the house today considered the bill permitting the leasing of 5,000 acres of arid lands in LaPlata county, Colorado, to the P. F. U. Rubber company for the purpose of cultivating the rubber plant, Gaines (Tenn.) proposed an amendment to prevent "the rubber trust" from getting control of the enterprise.

Shackelford (Mo.) was given permission to discuss the bill and began to criticize Speaker Cannon regarding the statehood question. He was stopped before he proceeded far and the objection was fatal to the further consideration of the bill.

Before referring to the statehood matter Shackelford had this to say about the manner in which Brooks, who introduced the bill, got his measure up:

"The gentleman was not recognized until he had first surrendered his constitutional rights as a representative of the people and crept into your private room, Mr. Speaker, there to supplicate you to extend to him your grace."

Not Servant, But Master.
"No member can submit any matter to a vote of the house until he shall have first sought and found favor in your sight. The constitution contemplates the speaker shall be the servant of the house. In defiance of the constitution you have made yourself its master. You have packed every committee so that no bill can be reported without your consent. Unless you are willing no member can move to discharge a committee from the consideration of a bill and take it up in the house."

Enthroned Despot.
"You sit an enthroned despot subjecting the rights and destinies of this great people to the dictates of your own unbridled will. Who stands today between a progressive and enlightened people and the statehood to which they are entitled? You, sir. Only you. You crack your whip and the majority of this house cowers at your feet. You turn your thumbs down and the house deals a death blow to prostrate, bleeding, Oklahoma."

Quotes Morning Papers.
Here Shackelford said he had read in the morning papers that "Uncle Joe" had given it out flatfooted he would not permit the house to concur in the senate amendment on the statehood bill, and then proceeded: "What a horrible announcement to be made in a free country." The confusion in the house throughout Shackelford's remarks was such that very few members knew what he had said, when Tawney stopped him with an objection.

Consider Statehood March 21.
Washington, March 16.—At a conference of republican house leaders today, it was decided to consider the statehood bill March 21.

House Takes Stand.

Washington, March 16.—As the result of a caucus which lasted for two and a half hours yesterday afternoon, the republicans of the house voted 126 to 35 to stand by the statehood bill as it passed the house and ask the senate for a conference on the measure. This vote followed immediately after a resolution offered by Mr. Mondell of Wyoming, representing the insurgents, had been defeated, 123 to 43, the Mondell resolution being to agree to the senate amendment eliminating Arizona and New Mexico from the bill and asking a conference on the minor amendments in the measure.

Speeches Made.
Several speeches were made. They were limited to five minutes each, but in the case of Speaker Cannon and Mr. Hamilton of Michigan, chairman of the committee on territories, the time was extended. Mr. Hamilton opened the discussion with a plea for the original house bill. He said it had already been endorsed by three republican conferences. He discussed and opposed the Foraker amendment, declaring it to be in the interest of corporations in the two territories affected. He contended that the bill was supported by the president and by Speaker Cannon. "Let us follow them

LAST OF GANG OF FORGERS CAPTURED

C. S. White Admits Part in Swindling Chicago Firms Out of \$60,000.

Dayton, Ohio, March 16.—C. S. White, the last of a gang of forgers who has worked extensively in Chicago, Omaha and St. Louis, was arrested Wednesday in Lima, and confessed in this city that he had led the gang of check workers. He stated that checks were printed by himself and his men identical to those used by the Illinois Steel company. They were made out in sums of \$50 and \$51, and on pay days at the plant they would dress as Hungarians, get in the crowd and present their checks for payment at banks or saloons near the factory. White stated that he was a little scared at first, but that it was so easy he worked hard afterward and cleared up about \$65,000 before leaving Chicago.

COREYS ARE RECONCILED?

Wife of Pittsburgh Steel Magnate Starts East to Meet Husband.

Riverside, Cal., March 16.—Mrs. W. E. Corey, wife of the Pittsburgh steel magnate, started east today, accompanied by Mrs. Corey, Sr., and her sister-in-law, to join her husband, a correspondence having resulted in a reconciliation.

and fight it out with the senate," was his concluding admonition.

Cannon Makes Speech.
The speaker followed, touching first on the binding effect of both caucuses and conferences. He took the position that where the party took action on any matter of this nature, all members participating were bound by that action.

He made the point that there were 20 residents of Oklahoma and Indian Territory who objected to being tied together where there was one in Arizona and New Mexico. He admitted he was being deluged with telegrams on behalf of Oklahoma. He contended that the effect of admitting Oklahoma and Indian Territory at this time and not disposing of Arizona and New Mexico only meant that there would be four new senators from Arizona and New Mexico instead of but two senators in case the house stood firm.

Rap for Senate.
"I wish to God," he remarked, "the senate was twice as good as it is. It performs its functions fairly well—it is our senate. But to add four senators where two should be added," he declared, "would give the senate too much influence as compared with the house, based on population."

Reviewing legislation before congress he said the rate bill would pass; that if the house would stand firm, its statehood bill would also become law, "and we can stay here for three months," he declared.

Addressing the insurgents, he added: "Why join the democracy, in order to have your own way?" The speaker then turned his face towards the senate and remarked: "On what meat doth this our Caesar feed that it hath grown so great?"

"My judgment is that statehood will come as the house bill contemplates."

SNOWSLIDES KILL

Many Mining Camps in Colorado Damaged by Rush of the Beautiful.

NARROW ESCAPES FREQUENT

Grave Fears for Many Miners and Prospectors Isolated in the Hills.

Denver, March 16.—Ouray, Durango, Leadville, Aspen, and other smaller mining camps in Colorado have been visited by snowslides during the past two days.

Many Close Calls.
Hairbreadth escapes from slides are reported from every mining camp, and grave fears are entertained for scores of daring prospectors and miners who are cut off from the outside world in their lonely cabins up in the hills.

Colorado Storm Ends.

Denver, Col., March 16.—Special dispatches from over the state indicate that the storm which continued intermittently since Monday and reached its most violent stage yesterday is subsiding. Snowslides have been running in the mountains and it is reported that two miners were killed by a slide in northwestern Colorado.

Plague Again in Wales.
Sydney, New South Wales, March 16.—The plague has reappeared here. Five cases are reported.

SHORT A MILLION SCORES NEW YORK LIFE

Cincinnati Grand Jury Asked to Investigate County Treasurer.

CASE SIMILAR TO SHERRICK'S

Exact Amount Said to Have Been Misused \$1,100,000—Banks Aiding Law.

Cincinnati, Ohio, March 16.—The grand jury that convenes March 20 will be asked to investigate an alleged shortage of \$1,100,000 in the accounts of County Treasurer Rudolph K. Hynicka. County Prosecutor Hiram M. Rullison said he would take the step as a result of a communication from State Auditor Guilbert, calling his attention to the report of a committee of two experts who were appointed by Probate Judge C. M. Malsbary three weeks ago to count the money in the treasury vaults. The experts found that Hynicka had \$1,100,000 loaned out to banks on which he was receiving interest.

Like Sherrick Case.
Prosecutor Rullison says he regards the cases of the Hamilton county treasurer as being identical with that of David E. Sherrick, ex-auditor of Indiana, who has just been convicted of embezzlement for loaning out public funds. The prosecutor is now preparing civil suits against Treasurer Hynicka and his predecessors, Tilden R. French and John H. Gibson, to recover the interest money collected from the banks.

On the witness stand, before the Drake committee, Hynicka admitted that he had received \$50,000 in the 18 months he has been in the treasurer's office. In defense he said he had deposited tax checks with the banks for collection, and that until he had received the money for the checks he did not regard them as county funds. The money, however, he admitted, had been left in the banks for months, and was not withdrawn until needed by the county.

Banks Give Aid.
The banks have been asked to furnish the information needed to estimate the amounts said to have been paid to the three treasurers, and, with the exception of the First National bank, all have promised to do so.

OMAHA MOB MAKES A WEAK ATTEMPT

Batters Open Jail Door Trying to Reach Negroes But Is Routed by Police.

Omaha, March 16.—A mob attacked the jail last night in an effort to seize and lynch holdup men confined there. The mob was after four white men charged with the murder of Nels Lauritzen, a saloon keeper, while holding up his saloon, and three negroes charged with the holding up of a street car and killing the conductor. The mob battered down the door of the jail at 12:45 and some of their number entered the building. At this juncture about 40 policemen arrived on the scene and within five minutes the mob had been driven from the jail grounds. The officers used their clubs on some of the mob, but no arrests were made.

WALSH ROADS HELD HIGH

Price So Steep None Are Willing to Purchase Them.

New York, March 16.—John R. Walsh's railroads, the Southern Southern and the Indiana Southern, were not sold yesterday because the price demanded was too high. In financial circles recently it was declared that Walsh's creditors had named \$25,000,000 as the minimum price they would take for the railway properties. The offer of the Lake Shore-Pennsylvania-Rock Island combination is said to be near \$20,000,000.

The Chicago committee is expected to submit the offer of the combination to the creditors without delay. Meanwhile, negotiations may be said to be at a standstill.

Yuma to Salton Sea by Boat.
Calixto, Cal., March 16.—Wharton James and Louis Francis Brown have reached here with three boats and Indian guides on their way from Yuma to Salton sea by way of the Colorado river. They are the first white men to make the trip.

Parker Denies Interview.
Augusta, Ga., March 16.—Judge Alton B. Parker, denies having given out the alleged interview at Birmingham to the effect that he believed Roosevelt will seek another nomination and declined to discuss that subject.

Death in Headache Powder.
Paris, Iowa, March 16.—Mrs. Betta Stone, aged 71 years, died from the effect of taking headache powder.

No Chance of Rupture.
Paris, March 16.—Officials here say there is no chance of a rupture at Algiers.

SCORES NEW YORK LIFE

Judge Hamilton Calls the Present Board Members "Curs."

DEFENDS J. A. McCALL

Creates Surprise With Sensational Statement to Armstrong Committee.

Albany, N. Y., March 16.—Like a bolt out of a clear sky Andrew Hamilton, former legislative agent of the New York Life Insurance company and other companies, appeared before the Armstrong insurance investigating committee and members of the legislature yesterday afternoon. The insurance investigators could scarcely comprehend their eyes when they beheld him. They gasped in amazement. Never was a more dramatic scene witnessed in the legislative halls than that of Hamilton standing in the well of the assembly chamber yesterday afternoon before a room crowded with interested and anxious listeners.

In Most Earnest.
And never was a more earnest or more sincere denunciation listened to than that he gave vent to in the hour not only of members of the legislature but of insurance people, the men who had denounced him and held him alone responsible for the corruption that has come to light.

"Curs," was the name he applied to members of the board of trustees of the New York Life Insurance company. His whole feeling was wrapped up in what he said as in scathing tones he branded the present board of trustees of the New York Life Insurance company as being hypocrites and the cause of the death of the man whom he charged them with betraying—John A. McCall.

Known of Every Dollar.
Mr. Hamilton charged that the New York Life trustees knew of every dollar he had expended and the purpose for which the money had been expended.

His appearance before the legislators was as unexpected as it was sensational. To his friends, before he went to the assembly chamber, he said he knew it was his duty to expose the board of trustees and to clear the name of John A. McCall. He also wanted to vindicate himself and set himself right in the eyes of the public.

Listening with ears wide open, and drinking in every word, was John C. McCall, secretary of the New York Life Insurance company and son of the man whose name Hamilton was there to clear. Other officers and trustees of the New York Life Insurance company present were D. P. Kingsley, T. A. Buckner, R. W. Weeks, vice presidents, and General Solicitor McIntosh.

Admits His Part.
Hamilton admitted that he was a lobbyist, and that he handled funds for the purpose of killing hostile legislation. He defended that, and said it was necessary, but he arraigned bitterly

EPITOME OF DOINGS IN CONGRESS YESTERDAY

Washington, D. C., March 16.—Following is a brief resume taken from the official records of yesterday's proceedings in both houses of congress:

SENATE.—The report of Mr. Tillman on the house rate bill, the reading of the views of Mr. Newlands and a speech by Mr. Nelson on that subject occupied the time of the senate devoted to the regulation measure. The message of the president regarding the recent Moro battle was read, and Mr. Bacon spoke of the affair as a "slaughter." Mr. Lodge urged that criticism be withheld until all the facts should be made known. The house resolution, broadening the powers of the interstate commerce commission in its investigation of charges of discrimination against railroads was adopted. A resolution by Mr. Stone directing an inquiry into the postoffice department's rulings on the admission of college publications to the mails as second class matter was passed. At 5:22 p. m. the senate adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.—The additional power which president Roosevelt suggested should be given the interstate commerce commission in making the special investigation into the relations of the coal and oil industries with the railroads was conferred by the house in the passage of the Townsend resolution. During debate on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill severe criticism was made by Mr. Jones of Virginia. Adjournment was taken at 5 p. m. until today.

PROF. PATTENGILL EXPIRES SUDDENLY

Ann Arbor, Mich., March 16.—Professor A. H. Pattengill, one of the University of Michigan's veteran professors and faculty representative of Michigan in athletic matters, died suddenly of heart disease today.

DOLAN IS OUSTED

Miners' Executive Board Approves of Action of President Mitchell.

EXCITING SESSION HELD

Pittsburg Man Defends Himself—Work of Credentials Committee Takes All Forenoon.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 16.—When the convention of the United Mine Workers of America was called to order today the credentials committee announced it had not completed its report and a recess was taken until afternoon.

Ousts Dolan.
Indianapolis, Ind., March 16.—The international executive board of the United Mine Workers of America at a meeting last evening following the adjournment of the national convention, approved the finding of President Mitchell in the matter of ousting Patrick Dolan from the presidency of district No. 5, western Pennsylvania, and the report of the board will confirm the ousting of Dolan by the committee and the appointment of three members of the executive board to take charge of the district affairs until the office is filled by special election.

Have Heated Session.
After a heated session lasting three hours, behind closed doors, in which Dolan's claims were argued by himself and Uriah Bellingham, vice president of the district, who was also ousted from his office, the board voted unanimously to sustain the action of the president and the district convention. According to authoritative reports, the Ohio operators have determined to abolish the check-off system by which the operators collect dues for the miners' organization, and which the operators allege is the backbone of the union. According to the report they will sign no agreement that does not carry a provision abrogating this arrangement.

FORSAKES HUSBAND FOR HIS SON OF HER OWN AGE

Strange Proceeding in Divorce Court at Chicago—Judge Grants Decree.

Chicago, March 16.—Mrs. Bertha Twitchell, 40 North Green street, was called into Judge McEwen's court yesterday to choose between the love of her 24-year-old stepson and that of her husband. Blushingly she chose the younger man, and Judge McEwen decided to grant the elder Twitchell the divorce for which he applied on Wednesday. She said she was anxious to have her marriage annulled. The elder Twitchell is 56 years of age and has not lived happily with his wife, who is 24.

CULLOM MOVE IS NIPPED

Indorsement Resolution is Allowed to Die by Grain Dealers.

Peoria, Ill., March 16.—The Cullom boom failed to receive the indorsement of the 300 delegates attending the state grain men's meeting. A resolution was presented, but on a protest from Yates adherents was laid over for a day. Over night the opposition gained strength and the friends of the resolution decided not to bring it to a vote. The convention came to an end last night after a futile attempt to perfect an insurance organization.

Sends \$5,000 More to Japan.

Washington, March 16.—Assistant Secretary Charles Hallam Keep, treasurer of the National Red Cross society, has cabled to Japan through the state department additional contributions to the famine fund amounting to \$5,000, making a total so far cabled of \$50,000.

ly the present regime of the New York Life Insurance company. Especially bitter was he in his references to William B. Hornblower, who he referred to, but not by name, as the "Pecksniff" of three administrations of the New York Life from the time of ex-President Beers and the "Tallyrand" of the present "reformed" administration. The whole tenor of Hamilton's statement was that the trustees knew all the time what he was doing, and that they were falsifying when they declared it was not until the investigation that they knew what he had been doing.

McCall the Only Honest Official.
He disclaimed any responsibility for the vouchers he gave and said that if the trustees didn't know what the vouchers were for they were remiss in their duties. And he declared that John A. McCall had to be shown cause for every dollar he (Hamilton) expended.

He made no effort to tell who had got the money nor the manner in which it had been paid. His conclusion was sensational and dramatic as he declared the board of trustees of the New York Life Insurance company should be legislated out of office, as they were "a lot of curs" and not the kind of men to bear the responsibility of caring for such a vast amount of business.

TWO SCORE KILLED IN A COLLISION IN COLORADO

NO HASTE TO FILL BROWN'S POSITION

President Issues Statement, Saying Taft is One of Several Considered.

Washington, March 16.—President Roosevelt today authorized the issuance of the following statement regarding the succession to Justice Brown in the supreme court: "As Justice Brown will not return until June, when the supreme court will take a vacation until October, and no public inconvenience can arise from the vacancy continuing through the vacation, the president will take further time to decide the question of Brown's successor. Several names, including that of Secretary Taft, have been under consideration, but no decision is likely to be reached in the near future."

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION IS MAY 14

Central Committee Issues Call for Meeting to Nominate a Ticket.

Springfield, Ill., March 16.—The republican state central commission has issued a call for the state convention to be held at 10 o'clock Monday, May 14, in the state arsenal at Springfield to nominate candidates for state treasurer, superintendent of public instruction and three trustees of the University of Illinois. The ratio of representation is one delegate for every 400 votes cast for Theodore Roosevelt for president in 1904, and one delegate for each additional fraction of 300 or over. Delegates from Cook county are to be selected by the primary election districts of wards and towns.

NAME WAS HIS UNDOING

Ksancey Nupurkowski Repeats Cognomen Till Insane.

Cleveland, March 16.—Ksancey Nupurkowski, a prisoner in the workhouse, talked himself insane, according to a report made to the probate court by a physician who had examined him. He was committed to the state insane asylum. The doctor said he repeated his own name constantly. The condition of Nupurkowski was discovered by officers of the workhouse, to which institution he was sentenced for 30 days.

ALLEGED BIGAMIST IN TOILS

Harry J. Reynolds of Cleveland Taken to Norwalk, Ohio.

Cleveland, March 16.—Harry J. Reynolds, charged with bigamy, and who has been searched for by the police of several cities for 10 days, surrendered yesterday afternoon, and he was taken to Norwalk, Ohio, where he married Mae Smith about two weeks ago, while it is alleged he has a wife and family here.

Indicted Indiana Banker Missing.
South Bend, Ind., March 16.—James W. Brooke, of North Liberty, Ind., banker, who is under indictment for the alleged embezzlement of \$10,000 in 1904, has disappeared, and his bond has been declared forfeited. He formerly lived in Chicago.

VILLAGE BURNED

Four Parish in Hotel Destroyed at Tustin, Osceola County, Mich.

TEN GUESTS BARELY ESCAPE

Proprietor and Wife Among the Victims—Property Loss Is Small.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 16.—The business portion of the village of Tustin, Osceola county, was destroyed by fire early today, which started in the Hotel Compton from a defective furnace. Ten guests escaped in their night clothes. Four were burned to death.

The Dead.
WILLIAM H. M'GRANE, proprietor. MRS. WILLIAM H. M'GRANE. EDWARD DEMOREST, porter. CHARLES WORKMAN, traveling man. The loss is \$22,000.

CREW STICKS TO STEAMER

Believe Vessel Grounded at Atlantic City Will Be Floated.

Atlantic City, N. J., March 16.—The steamer Clarence of the Booth line is ashore near Island Beach. Life savers report the crew refused to leave the vessel, believing it will be floated at the next high tide. The sea is smooth.

Fast Trains Meet Head-on on the Denver & Rio Grande.

SOME BODIES BURNED

Accident Partly Due to Heavy Snowstorm—Orders Not Delivered.

Pueblo, March 16.—At noon it was positively known 16 persons were killed and 34 injured in the Denver & Rio Grande wreck near Adobe early today. But two of the dead are identified.

Pueblo, March 16.—In a noon extra edition, the Pueblo Chieftan announces 39 persons, two engineers, fireman, express messenger, 35 passengers, were killed in the Adobe wreck.

Denver, March 16.—At the general office of the Denver & Rio Grande the official statement was made that the number of persons killed by the collision at Adobe, Col., this morning is not more than 15, and that not more than 20 were injured.

Met in Blinding Snow.
Pueblo, Col., March 16.—In a blinding snowstorm trains No. 16, the Colorado & New Mexico express, eastbound, and No. 3, the Utah & California express, westbound, on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, collided head-on near Portland, Col., 30 miles from Pueblo, at 2 this morning. It is reported about forty persons were killed, and many injured.

Many Injured.
Seventeen of the injured reached the city on a relief train and were taken to a hospital. It is stated perhaps fifteen bodies were burned in a fire following the wreck.

Met on Curve.
The trains met on a curve. One of them was a double-header, and the impact caused two engines, smoker and day coach to turn over. The cars took fire. They were crowded with passengers.

The weather is bitterly cold, and a heavy snow is falling, interfering with the rescue work.

Cannot Be Identified.
Many bodies will never be identified, having been burned to a crisp. Part of the mail was destroyed and all of the express matter. The identified dead:

WILLIAM HOLLIS, engineer of No. 16.
T. M. PARTLAND, Globe express messenger, No. 16.
WALTER CAUSLET, engineer of No. 3, Pueblo.
HUGH SUDDITH, fireman.
Sleepers Saved.

No. 3 was composed of mail car, express car, two day coaches, two tourist cars, and two sleepers. All the sleepers were saved, and none of the occupants injured. The majority of the casualties occurred in the first three cars, which were burned.

Iowa Man Injured.
Among the injured was Ralph Britton of Brighton, Iowa, the others hurt being residents of Colorado and Kansas. Out of a family of 11 named Hewitt, only two escaped. The others were burned to a crisp.

Number of Dead Grows.
The number of dead is now estimated from 50 upwards. The injured are placed at 25. The cause of the wreck is attributed to failure to deliver orders to No. 16, the eastbound, so that No. 3 could pass.

Doctors on Scene.
Among the physicians who rendered assistance were Dr. F. A. Cochens of Salida, who was on No. 16, but escaped injury. He was assisted by Drs. Rambo and Moore of Florence, who soon arrived at the scene of the disaster. Some of the victims pinioned under the wreckage were burned alive before help could reach them.

Most of the injured were on No. 3, which was heavily loaded. No. 16 carried comparatively few passengers, and these escaped generally with a slight shaking up. One man, whose name could not be learned, was the only one of 10 who escaped. He lost father, mother, wife, three children, brother, and two other relatives.

Forty Bodies Burned.
This afternoon there were about 40 charred bodies lying in the wreckage at the scene of the disaster and at the hospital in this city there were 15 severely injured persons, some of whom will probably die. But two passengers are known to have escaped from smok-

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