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The session lasted five hours and 20 minutes. The legislative bill was scrutinized carefully, in consonance with the president's recommendation against extravagance.

The pay of the stenographers to the committee of the house was reduced from \$5,000 per annum to \$3,000, and the house refused to accept the provision increasing the pay of the secretary to the civil service commission. Little progress was made on the bill.

Mr. Bartlett of Georgia, a member of the sub-committee, made a brief explanation of the various provisions of the bill. It then was read for amendment and discussion under the five-minute rule.

An appropriation for a janitor to the house committee on the library met some Democratic opposition, led by Messrs. Bartlett of Georgia, Madison of Georgia and Clark of Missouri. Mr. Clark said there were many superfluous officials around the house who ought to be gotten rid of.

The president's message, he said, had urged economy, and Mr. Clark contended that if the house was going to economize, the best place to commence was the house itself.

In a few vigorous remarks, Mr. Livingston of Georgia defended the appropriations committee in the preparation of the bill, but lamented the fact that the appropriations committee had not been able to reduce the number of clerks.

Mr. Bartlett of Georgia thought that too little attention was paid in the house to appropriations bills.

Mr. Bingham insisted that the bill had been cut more than any similar one handled in recent years, and said it had been considered fairly by the sub-committee, whose conclusions had been accepted by the full committee.

The committee, by a vote of 71 to 63, reduced the pay of committee stenographers from \$5,000 to \$3,000.

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American and unfit for our uses; as insufficient to accomplish the purposes that men said they desire by a civil service.

Mr. Bartlett of Massachusetts, chairman of the committee on civil service, defended the system, and said that, even should Mr. Hepburn's amendment prevail, the law itself would go on just the same.

Mr. Williams of Mississippi, the minority leader, suggested that it would be an improvement over the present system to fix a certain period for which an employee should serve the government.

Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio spoke of the civil service commission as "these great gentlemen," and "these \$3,000 gentlemen," and referred to a package of papers which had come to him today from a rural carrier who had been promoted certain questions by the commission as to whether or not he had used his influence in behalf of the election of President Roosevelt in the Ohio campaign, and whether or not on a certain day he had turned over his route to his substitute and worked for the Republican ticket.

"Now, think of holding up a poor devil of a rural carrier like that. The man had simply gone to the polls and voted."

The man in question, he said, had been held up by the civil service commission and was losing his pay while a great body of men are investigating, not what is the matter with the man at Cleveland that robbed everybody, but did that man vote for Roosevelt and did he work at the polls on election day?

Mr. Williams, directing his remarks to Mr. Grosvenor, said he had been wondering if Mr. Grosvenor could punish such a fellow as that. A great story told in Ohio because a fellow had shown political activity in the case of President Roosevelt, what might possibly have been the fate of a fellow who would be considered to have shown political activity in behalf of Mr. Parker. This reference to Mr. Parker created laughter on both sides of the chamber.

"The indications are," replied Mr. Grosvenor, which caused a renewal of laughter, "there were a great many of them terrified."

"From the numerousness of their activity at the polls," responded Mr. Williams, amid more laughter. "I imagine a great many of them must have been terrified—whether through the rural free delivery service or in some other way, I shall not undertake to say."

He was inclined, he said, to agree with Mr. Hepburn, and said that the old spoils system was as good as the "Chinese system" now in vogue. He favored the appointment of men to office who were in sympathy with the party in power.

The bill then was laid aside, and the house adjourned until tomorrow.

THE SCHRADSKYS.

Bound Over to Await Action of Grand Jury.

Denver, Dec. 8.—United States Commissioner A. B. Capron today bound over to the grand jury Max and William Schradsky, two of the persons charged with conspiracy to prevent people from voting at the recent election. Sadie Plessner, Max Siskick and Samuel Siskick were discharged, although Commissioner Capron, in rendering his decision, said:

"The conduct of the latter was reprehensible and they could be punished for misconduct at an election, but the evidence does not justify holding them on the charge of conspiracy. It does not appear that they said or did anything to prevent the people from voting."

All of the defendants were election officials. The two Schradskys acted as constables, and the testimony offered by the attorneys for the Republicans showed that they ran the polling place to suit themselves.

PRESIDENT AND TARIFF REVISION.

He is Confering Daily With Members of the House and Senate On the Subject.

BUT FINDS STRONG OPPOSITION.

Idea of Calling an Extra Session of Congress for Next Spring Has Been Virtually Abandoned.

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Roosevelt is conferring daily with members of both the senate and house of representatives on the subject of tariff revision and how the work shall be accomplished. He has found that strong opposition exists to consideration of the subject by Congress at an extraordinary session to be held next spring, and it can be said that the idea of calling an extraordinary session for next spring virtually has been abandoned.

It has been pointed out to the president that it would be nearly impossible for the committee of Congress to prepare a tariff measure for presentation to the house before July 1 next. Representative Watson of Indiana had a conference with the president today.

While no decision has been reached regarding the revision of the tariff, it is pretty well understood that, if revision should be decided upon, an extraordinary session of Congress will be called to meet next fall.

The subject will be taken up at that session and its consideration probably will be postponed until December. This arrangement, it is believed, will enable Congress to dispose of the tariff question at a comparatively early date in the regular session.

THE MCKENZIE CASE.

Judge Tolley Continues It Until Last of December.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Before Judge Tolley in the circuit court today the separate maintenance case brought against the wealthy Idaho mine owner, David McKenzie, by his wife, came up on motion of the wife's solicitor for alimony and solicitor's fees. In view of the fact that McKenzie had been indicted for the murder of a woman, the matter until the latter part of December, at which time the question of the right of the court to enter any order will be heard.

CHILDREN'S HOME BURNED.

Three of the Inmates Are Not Accounted For.

Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 8.—The children's home of the Sisters of Mercy at Loretto, Pa., was destroyed by the fire today. Sixty orphans were in the building when the fire broke out. All but three have been accounted for.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

Fiftieth Anniversary of Dogma Celebrated in Rome.

Rome, Dec. 8.—A pontifical high mass was celebrated today in St. Peter's in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the proclamation of the dogma of the immaculate conception. The procession which went down to St. Peter's by the grand staircase from the vatican was imposing in the extreme owing to the variety of the uniforms of the guards, the richness of the papal costumes, the purple of the bishops' robes and the red of the cardinal's vestments forming a brilliant setting for the venerable white-robed figure of Pope Pius X.

The procession passed on to the papal altar, where was deposited the triple crown.

After the celebration of mass at the high altar the procession slowly reformed and wended its way to the chapel choir, where the pontiff with great emotion presided over the unveiling of the statue of the Virgin of the Immaculate Conception, being the magnificent new diamond crown, the gift of the faithful in all parts of the world. This is the statue which was crowned by Pope Pius IX at the time of the proclamation of the dogma of the immaculate conception. After the ceremony the procession returned to the vatican, the pope, who was fatigued, going immediately to his private apartments.

A SHOOTING SCAPE.

Deputy U. S. Marshal and His Brother-in-Law Shot.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 8.—S. P. Allen, a deputy United States marshal from Platte, Cal., and his brother-in-law, Raymond Walters, were shot and seriously wounded by Harry Burris, a bartender, in a transfer office at Fourth and Broadway here late this afternoon. Burris then ran from the building and to his room in a lodging house a block and a half distant, where he blew out his own brains with a revolver. The cause was said to be the enforced attention of Burris upon Mrs. Allen and an attempt by him to extort money from her. All of the parties to the shooting had but recently arrived in Los Angeles.

A SOUTHERN TRAGEDY.

Ben Hughes and Family of Trenton, S. C., Murdered.

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 8.—Some time last night Ben Hughes, a wealthy merchant and planter of Trenton, S. C., and entire family were murdered and their house burned.

Investigation revealed that three men entered the house, murdered Mrs. Hughes in her room with an ax, then went to the room occupied by the daughters—Emma, aged 19, and Hattie, aged 14—and murdered them in like manner without the girls awakening.

Hughes evidently heard the noise and went from his room into the hallway where he was shot down. A special train was sent to Columbia for bloodhounds to track the murderers.

Uncle Sam Lost.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 8.—Through the failure of the Americans interested in the cargo of the German steamship Arabia, confiscated by the Vladivostok prize court, to lodge an appeal, their cases not only went by default before the admiralty appeal court, but the United States government lost an opportunity to obtain a decision on the question of railway material, which might have formed a basis for a re-

BEAUTIFUL WOMEN

HOW THEY MAINTAIN THE CHARM OF THEIR SEX.

The Importance That Attaches to the Care of the Blood if One Wants Bright Eyes and a Clear Complexion.

Every sensible woman naturally wishes to appear attractive, not only for her own sake but also for the pleasure she may give others. She knows the value of bright eyes, delicate complexion and lively spirits. She may make her skin appear fair for a short time by the use of a complexion beautifier, but in the end the chest will show, for the cause has not been removed, the effects have merely been hid. The light that gives brilliancy to the eyes, and the air of vivacious spirits, cannot be obtained from cosmetics.

What every wise woman knows is that good health is at the basis of her charms, and that good blood is the source of good health. She does not therefore waste money on washes or external applications of any kind, but buys at small expense a few boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and puts her blood in sound condition. Nature does the rest.

Miss Mamie Conway has a complexion which is the admiration of all who know her. Asked if she could make any suggestions that would be helpful to those of her sex who were less fortunate in that respect, she said:

"My complexion would not have pleased you if you had seen it two years ago. It was then about as bad as it could be and it gave me a great deal of dissatisfaction. If you want a good complexion you must take care of your health, especially of the condition of your blood. My health was at that time completely broken down. I was nervous, had frequent headaches, a torpid liver and a great deal of pain in that region. I suffered also from indigestion. I could eat only the simplest food and that very sparingly. I was clear that my blood was in bad condition for it simply broke out all over my face."

"It is hard to realize that, for there isn't the slightest trace of such blemishes now. This arrangement, it is believed, will enable Congress to dispose of the tariff question at a comparatively early date in the regular session."

"I was unfortunately quite otherwise then, and a long time passed before I found anything that gave me any relief. I became very weak and listless. The doctor's medicine did me no good, and I took a number of highly recommended tonics with no better result. As soon, however, as I began to use Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, I commenced to improve in every way. My complexion cleared up at once, and after I had taken two boxes there was not a sign of a pimple left on my face. My cheeks became rosy, I gained weight and had perfect health ever since. I owe everything to five boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

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newal by the United States of diplomatic representations regarding such articles as conditional contraband.

The cargo originally confiscated consisted of about 2,500,000 pounds of flour and railway material and machinery bound for Japanese ports.

The British overboarded 5,500 sacks of flour, less than half the amount in dispute, had regularly entered an appeal, there being no evidence that this flour was destined for the use of the enemy's forces, the decision of the Vladivostok court was reversed.

The impression exists in official circles that, the Americans having failed to exert legal remedies in the Russian court, the United States government is estopped from reopening the case through diplomatic channels.

Torpedoboot Destroyers Escape.

London, Dec. 8.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent before Port Arthur telegraphs that all the Russian battleships and cruisers, together with the gunboats Giliak and Fusaadnek, were sunk or destroyed, and that only the torpedo boat destroyers remain intact.

The crews of all the Russian warships in the harbor of Port Arthur were landed, and apparently no effort was made to move the vessels. The Japanese will now turn their attention to the torpedo boat destroyers, and when these have been destroyed the guns will be directed against steamships and transports in the harbor.

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RUNNING THE BLOCKADE.

Germany Will Not Interfere for German Ships Doing It.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Germany is not taking cognizance of the British government's action in refusing to permit the German steamship Capt. W. Meusel to sail from Cardiff with coal for the Russian fleet. The foreign office says Germany has no cause for complaint, Great Britain's step being justifiable from the standpoint of the foreign enlistment act, which explicitly declares that coaling of the foreign vessel in British waters to "follow" a belligerent fleet, is unlawful.

Germany recognizes that the German steamship, while trying to run the blockade of Port Arthur, is a lawful prize. The German position is that the vessel was trying to run the blockade, and she must take the consequences if captured.

SNOWBALLING FATALITY.

Rabbi Glick Dies as Result of an Assault.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Six school boys, none more than 14 years old, were held at the stockyards police station all night awaiting the coroner's verdict, on the sudden death of Rabbi Abraham Glick.

Glick was killing chickens for David Levy in the rear of the latter's store, when a crowd of boys made him the target of a volley of snowballs, some of which, it is said, contained stones to give weight and accuracy.

One snowball struck Glick on the back of the head, making a small wound. Trembling with excitement, the rabbi ran four blocks to the police station where he was advised to secure warrants.

Glick hurried from the police station to Levy's store. At the door he threw up his hands and fell, dying in a few minutes. The arrest of the boys followed.

Manning Palmer Under Arrest.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 8.—Manning C. Palmer, president of the defunct American Exchange National bank of this city, which for several months has been in the hands of a receiver, has been taken by a deputy marshal to Utica where the federal grand jury is now in session. Persons connected with the case refused to talk, but it is known that the grand jury has considered the bank affairs, a number of witnesses subpoenaed from this city, having been examined.

Mr. Palmer is 74 years old, and is one of the most prominent residents of this city.

Denver Wants no Workmen.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 8.—The chief of the Minneapolis police has been appealed to by Chief Delaney of Denver, to stop the flood of workmen, being shipped to Denver by employment agents in that city. A consignment of 11 arrived today, and the men say that another load of 20 is on the way here. They are consigned to Lusk & Co., employment agents, who say that they have not ordered them, and have not used new men for three months, and have no work for the men.

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