

HEYBURN WANTS IDAHO EXCEPTED

From States in Which Secy. of Agriculture May Permit Exportation of Timber.

SENATOR SMOOT TAKES HAND

Stated Up Idaho Senator by Stating He Could Show Timber Supply is Rapidly Being Destroyed.

Washington, May 5.—Suggesting an amendment excepting Idaho from states in which the secretary of agriculture may give permits for the exportation of timber from the forest reserves, Senator Heyburn, during the debate on the agricultural appropriation bill today, introduced a chart of the forestry division, which was hung on the wall of the senate chamber, marked with statements as to the number of years the forests in various parts of the country could last. The forestry division, he said, was launching into the realm of prophecy in a way that would require greater wisdom than that possessed by the ages of old when it declared that a certain section would be short of its forest in 20, 30 or 40 years. They forest, he said, that timber grows, and he declared that "the supply of timber is as great today as ever in the world's history." There was, he said, no danger of timber famine.

SENATOR SMOOT EXCEPTS.

Senator Smoot, taking exception to the statement that the supply of timber was as great as ever, Mr. Heyburn retorted that the senator from Utah might consult the map on the senate wall as a guide as he possessed "a spirit of prophecy" which he (Mr. Heyburn) did not possess. "I can prove," retorted Mr. Smoot, "not by prophecy, but by absolute figures, that the timber of this country is being destroyed rapidly, and that there is nothing like the amount of timber in this country that there was 20, or even 10 years ago."

HEYBURN ON FORESTERS.

Reading from an opinion of the supreme court of the United States, Mr. Heyburn declared that "there is no hysteria in that branch of the government; there are no brain storms. The foresters, he said, are being supplied with splendid yachts so they can speed from one imaginary fire to another along the lakes of Idaho."

"I have seen them," he said, "rolling around the hotels of the watering places dressed in green, with cocked hats, emulating the foresters of the Black Forest of Germany. They have those uniforms of pale green, he said, so that they may not be taken for a duck or some animal, and so that they can slip from the trees and disappear. The whole thing has become ridiculous."

Mr. Heyburn, reading from a document concerning expenses of the forest reserve, criticized statements of expenses as indefinite.

SENATOR CLARK SARCASTIC.

Senator Clark of Wyoming said that Congress had sent for information, and the department had not sent it. He wanted to know how the senator from Utah had become the mouthpiece of the department.

Mr. Heyburn added that it was singular that the senator from Utah had undertaken to answer questions for the department that Congress had fruitfully asked the department to give. Mr. Smoot again offering information, Mr. Heyburn retorted:

"I do not intend to recognize the senator as the representative here of the department of agriculture, which is under the control of Congress. There is no report from the department, in accordance with the provision of the last appropriation bill."

YELLOWSTONE RATES.

Interstate Commerce Commission

Makes a Ruling Reducing Them.

Omaha, Neb., May 5.—By a ruling of the interstate commerce commission, rates via Yellowstone station, Montana, to and through Yellowstone park, will be considerably lower for the summer business than was originally announced.

The first rates contemplated were 16¢ from Missouri river points to Yellowstone, Montana, with a stage trip through the park and \$84.50 in.

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cluding hotel accommodations in the park. Under the ruling of the commission a rate of \$67 is made for the trip through the park or \$78.25 including hotel accommodations for four and one-quarter days in the park. It is expected the rates from Chicago will be \$12.50 higher.

PRESIDENT FAVORS POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS

Washington, May 5.—President Roosevelt has expressed to Senator Carter of the senate committee on postoffice and post roads his earnest desire to see a postal savings bank bill become a law at this session. Senator Carter told the president that he thought the bill which had been favorably reported to the senate would be taken up by that body at an early date and that it would pass both houses and become a law without serious opposition.

L. S. CATLIN ARRESTED.

Missoula, Mont., May 5.—L. S. Catlin, formerly chief clerk in the U. S. land office in this city, has been arrested here on the charge of embezzling \$411 from Receiver Winstantley, government land agent at the time Catlin was an employee of the office.

THAW'S MOTHER VISITS HIM.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 5.—Mrs. William Thaw arrived here today, and passed the day with her son, Harry K. Thaw, in Sheriff Chanler's apartments in the Poughkeepsie court-house. Mr. Thaw was accompanied to the jail by Harry Van Cleef, whose wife is a near relative of the Thaws.

ARBITRATION TREATY.

General One Between United States and Japan Signed.

Washington, May 5.—A general arbitration treaty between the United States and Japan was signed today by Secy. Root and Ambassador Takahira. This treaty follows the lines of the several arbitration agreements which have been negotiated between this country and European nations during the winter in accordance with the ideas adopted at the recent Hague conference. It will permit the arbitration at The Hague of nearly every class of dispute which may arise between the signatory powers.

Tokio, May 5.—The news of the conclusion of the arbitration treaty between the United States and Japan has been well received, and it will remove whatever suspicion exists regarding the mutual relations of the two countries.

FEARS AMERICAN TRUSTS ON THE CONGO

Brussels May 5.—When the Congo debate was resumed, the speaker, deputies today Deputy Jansen, speaking in opposition to the annexation idea, declared there was great danger from the trusts which were certain to spring up in the Congo as a result of commercial activity. "I fear the Americans who will seek to create trusts for the exploitation of the Congo," said Jansen. "Already they have made these trusts a subject of financial speculation."

STORM KILLS THREE PERSONS, DOES MUCH DAMAGE

Memphis, Tenn., May 5.—Three persons dead, several others injured, considerable property loss and a demoralization of traffic resulted from the storm of wind and rain which swept over southern Tennessee yesterday. The wind raged a number of small buildings and tangle telegraph and telephone wires, while the rain caused numerous washouts along the railroads, delaying traffic and causing other damage.

The greatest damage and the loss of life occurred in Arkansas. At Marcho, the Polish settlement was badly damaged and John Lukaszewicz, Mary Szczepaniak and an unidentified man were killed. Venecolus Szczepaniak sustained probably fatal injuries and several other persons were less seriously injured. Meager reports from Conway and Faulkner counties tell of damage by the storm. Watson, in Desha county, is reported practically destroyed.

In western Tennessee and Mississippi the railroads suffered the greatest damage because of washouts. Although a number of small buildings and barns were destroyed. So far as can be ascertained, however, no one was seriously injured.

TWO MEN SWEEP OVER SPOKANE RIVER FALLS

Spokane, Wash., May 5.—Two men, H. W. Engelking and Grant Powell, were swept over the great falls of the Spokane river today and drowned. Three men were removing some timbers under the Washington street bridge this afternoon, working on a raft that was fastened to the river by a rope. The rope broke and the raft, with the Howard street bridge, two blocks below, men threw ropes toward them, and A. Simeon seized one and was saved. The other two men jumped for the ropes, but missed, and a moment later they were swept over the falls.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM.

Speaker Cannon Confers With the President on It.

Washington, May 5.—Speaker Cannon was in conference with President Roosevelt at the White House late today, regarding the legislative program for the closing of the session. Beyond admitting that the object of his visit to the executive offices related to matters the president was particularly interested in, Mr. Cannon would say nothing of the conference. He admitted there was considerable work to be done, but would make no prediction as to how much of the presidential program would be enacted.

TO PROTECT ALASKAN GAME.

Washington, May 5.—The senate today passed a house bill without amendment for the protection of game in Alaska. This provides for a license system for killing under the governor of Alaska in place of the permit system under the secretary of agriculture. The governor is authorized to employ game wardens and to expend money collected from licenses in the protection of game.

CURRENCY LEGISLATION.

House Republican Caucus on It Comes To Naught.

Washington, May 5.—The Republican members of the house of representatives were in caucus three hours tonight in an effort to agree upon a plan for currency legislation, but adjourned at 11 o'clock without achieving any definite result. The meeting was early resolved into a conference, and proceeded with the understanding that it would result, whatever it might be, should



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not be binding upon members. There was a large attendance, but no very marked enthusiasm except of a personal character when Speaker Cannon took the floor. It was evident from the beginning that there were so many members who would desire to be heard that it would be impossible to reach a conclusion at one sitting, and it was unanimously agreed to adjourn at 11 o'clock tonight until 8 o'clock tomorrow night. A number of speeches for and against the resolution were heard, notably one by Speaker Cannon warmly supporting it.

TIMBER LANDS.

Rep. Hitchcock Charges Country Has Lost Millions Through Their Sale.

Washington, May 5.—In a speech in the house today, Representative Hitchcock of Nebraska, charged that the government had been cheated of not less than \$57,000,000 by the sale by the interior department of 3,000,000 acres of timber and stone lands at the minimum price. He contended that whereas only \$2.58 an acre had been received, much more could have been obtained if the department had not sold the land for the lowest price fixed by the law. Mr. Mondell of Wyoming said that while much of the land had become very valuable since it was sold into private ownership, it was doubtful whether any large portion of it was worth more than the minimum price at the time of its sale by the government.

HOUSE TURNS DOWN GEN. WOOD'S REQUEST

Washington, May 5.—A lively debate was kept up all day today in the house on the sundry civil appropriation bill. Repeated efforts were made by Messrs. Gaines (Tenn.) and Chaney (Ind.), supported by many other members, to procure an appropriation for an investigation looking to increased safety in mining, and they had about got Chairman Tawney to the point where he would consent to an appropriation of \$50,000 when Mr. Underwood of Alabama objected and the proposition for the time at least, was dropped.

A provision in the bill for the purchase of over 6,000 acres of land as an addition to Fort McKinley, Philippine Islands, based on a recommendation by Gen. Leonard Wood, excited severe criticism of that officer by Messrs. Fitzgerald (N. Y.) and Butler (Pa.), the former continually referring to him as "Dr. Wood." The provision, on motion of Mr. Hay (Va.), was stricken out by unanimous vote.

The additions to the bill today were \$100,000 for the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and \$15,500 for an addition to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., or a total increase to date of \$1,241,000. The three remaining hours of the session were then taken up almost entirely by a discussion of roll calls, caused by a refusal of the house to take a recess at 5 o'clock as a result of a joke on the part of some Republicans to hold the Democrats in the house until the time the Republican caucus was scheduled to be held. In this they were successful, the house finally at 7:47 p. m. recessing until 11:55 a. m. tomorrow.

ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP WHOLE FAMILY FAILS

Chicago, May 6.—Charles W. Kirchner and the members of his family narrowly escaped death last night when a mysterious bomb explosion tore out the front of their residence and broke windows in all the adjacent houses. Kirchner is a lumber foreman.

The explosion aroused much excitement. Huddled calls were sent for the police, but the perpetrators escaped. Kirchner, the plot to blow up the family, and admits that he has made some enemies in looking after the interests of his employees, the Mearns-Slayton lumber company. The company offers a reward of \$500 for the arrest of the dynamiters.

Kirchner and his wife and several of their children had retired to their different rooms and some of them were already asleep when they were all thrown from their beds. At first they thought an earthquake was shaking the house down, but when the excitement subsided an investigation was made and the cause of the trouble was found.

Leo Kirchner, a 16-year-old son, was entering the front yard when the bomb exploded. He was blinded by the flash and hurled to the sidewalk.

William Kirchner, 24 years old, an invalid, was assisted to the street with difficulty. Other members of the family are: Joseph, 21 years old; Louis, 16; Frances, 13; Walter, 13, and Marie, 10 years of age.

CHICAGO UNIVERSITY.

Sore Because It Does Not Win Oratorical Contests.

Chicago, May 6.—Up to date "Man of the Hour" oratory as taught by the University of Chicago has forced that institution to give up all inter-collegiate contests with its sister universities. It is declared that flowery oratory is prized too highly by judges who decided against Chicago's speakers.

So the Chicago institution has withdrawn from the Central Oratorical and the Northern Oratorical leagues, with the explanation that "it is difficult to secure judges who are able to get outside of the ancient methods of judging."

SUICIDE FOLLOWS SHOOTING.

Seattle, Wash., May 6.—The following special to the Post-Intelligencer from Snohomish says:

W. T. Ford, a bridge worker employed in this city, shot and dangerously wounded George McAuley, another bridge worker, when the latter committed suicide by turning the gun he held upon his own head. Aside from a dispute which arose during a row in which both men were engaged, no motive has been assigned for the deed.

McAuley is in the hospital, not expected to live.

MRS. SAGE CONTEMPLATES RESTORING N. Y. CITY HALL

New York, May 6.—Mrs. Russell Sage, it is said, contemplates making a gift to the city of sufficient money to restore the city hall from top to bottom. She is said to be much interested in all matters concerning the colonial and revolutionary history of the city and to hold the opinion that the city hall should be restored to its original condition and regarded as a landmark as well as a place of business.

Some time ago, Mrs. Sage gave the city \$25,000 with which to restore the governor's room in the hall, which is one of the sights of the city. So far arrangements have been made for the expenditure of this money, the governor's room having been redecorated just before the gift was made.

Just how far the plan of Mrs. Sage and her advisers go toward the restoration of the interior of the city hall is not known. It is believed, however, that to put the hall into the exact condition it was originally would cost in the neighborhood of \$250,000. This amount would have to be expended on the interior, as the exterior is as it has been.

The interior of the hall, however, with the exception of the governor's room, has been greatly altered. There is hardly a part of the building in which, leading from what was once the aldermanic chamber, but is now

the council chamber, was discovered only a few years ago when the chamber was repaired and remodeled. It led to the basement where there was a secret room said to have been used by the beadle aldermen for card games and other pastimes.

TO ENLARGE EMERSON SCHOOL.

The board of education has completed plans for enlargement of the Emerson school, Tenth South and Eleventh East. Four lots adjoining the building have been purchased, the price being \$1,235, and Architect Allison & Hedges will draw plans for the erection of an eight-room addition. At the board's meeting last evening, rental was made of the Utah school building to the county, for a consideration of \$1 a year. The place will be remodeled and repaired and used as a detention home.

The board ordered paid teachers' salaries to the amount of \$33,827, and incidentals brought the sum appropriated up to \$41,700. Janitors' supplies to the amount of \$1,000 were authorized, an appropriation of \$10,000 for school supplies for the year is under consideration.

Fireworks.

The dealer who intends to be in the swim this season will further his own interests by writing at once to the Sweet Candy Co., Salt Lake, for prices and assortment lists.

Watches Recovered.

Timepieces Stolen by Holdups Are Found in Local Pawnshops.

On Jan. 12 last, W. H. Frailey was held up and robbed of a gold watch and chain. Frailey, who lives at Stockton, Utah, reported the matter to the police and gave a good description of the watch. Yesterday afternoon Detective Wheeling succeeded in finding the time piece in a pawnshop, and it was returned to the owner.

Wheeling also located another watch, belonging to L. Jackson, a railway brakeman, who was held up two years ago and robbed of a watch and \$200. The time piece was found yesterday afternoon in a pawnshop.

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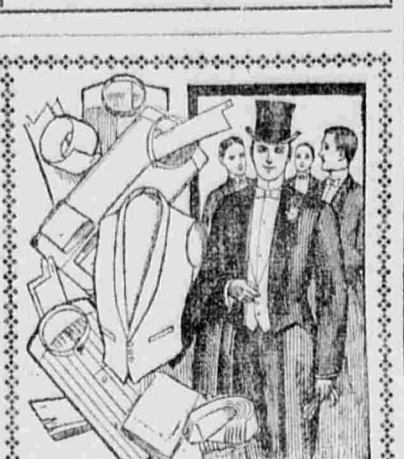


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