NO NEW STATES NOW

Benate Democrats Reject the Compromise Proposition.

ACTION THIS SESSION IS UNLIKELY

The Minority Members Agree to Fight For Omuibus House Bill, but Not to Antagonize Other Measures With It.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25,-The Indianola (Miss.) postoffice case occupied the major portion of the time of the nate yesterday. Mr. Tillman spoke r three hours in continuation of his marks begun on Monday on the race estion and was followed by Mr. Carack of Tennessee.

During the morning hour several bills ad resolutions were passed.

The Democrats in caucus rejected the compromise statchood proposition made by the Republican leaders. A. Democratic senator who is a member of the committee on territories on being asked for a statement of the reasons for the rejection wrote the following, which, after submitting to several of his colleagues, he gave out for pub-

"The Democratic caucus rejected the proposed compromise statebood bill for the following reasons: When Arizona and New Mexico were made territories, their areas were established for ultimate statehood purposes, and all the interests and expectations of the people of the two territories have been in anticipation of the two states.

"It would be gross injustice to the people of both to join them in one state. From east to west as railroads must be built it would be 1,700 miles across them. The proposed state would be as large as Texas, and Texas is too large for its convenient government.

"The people of Arizona are unanimously opposed to consolidation with New Mexico, and the people of both these territories should be consulted.

"The Democrats have stood for the statehood bill as it passed the house. They believe that each is entitled to statehood, and they have stood loyally tigue. by the Republican minority in their efforts to give them statehood. But they will not inflict the injustice that probably cannot be repaired of forcing San the people of the two territories into a state so large that it would forever continue a burden they should not

After the adjournment of the caucus the Democratic members of the committee on postoffices met the Repubtwo committees on postoffices and griculture to withdraw the statehood riders which the committees have They also decided to continue the fight to antagonize appropriation bills or executive business with it.

The Republicans have decided to present their compromise bill to the sen-

The indications are very strong that sion, and even the best friends of statenerally admit that there is n chance for success at this time.

The house passed the Philippine currency bill, accepting the senate bill so far as it relates to the islands. The committee amendment striking out the international monetary conference was agreed to.

Colored Editor Gets Damages. TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 24.-In the United States court here a jury has awarded \$500 damages to Rev. Henry P. Johnston of Camden, a colored man, who sued the Pullman Car company for \$10,000. Johnston is editor of the Christian Advocate and on March 25 last while riding is a Pullman car between Richmond, Va., and Washington sought service in the dining car. He claimed that he was refused food by different subterfuges, notwithstanding he applied three times. Finally, when all the passengers had been served and the employees were eating, he said he was offered food.

Mayor Egozene Acquitted. BAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Feb. 25 .- The trial of ex-Mayor Egozcue, which began last Friday, on the charge of destroying the records of the city water receipts, which it is alleged constituted the only evidence of extensive peculations and embezzlements, was concluded yesterday, when the jury after an hour's deliberation gave a verdict of acquittal. A procession of Senor Egozcue's friends was formed after the trial and, headed by a band, proceeded to serenade the former mayor. The Republicans, to which party Senor Egozcue belongs, met tonight to celebrate his acquittal.

Girl Stricken With Blindness. NEW YORK, Feb. 21.-Annie Collins, fourteen years old, a pupil in the high school in Flushing, was suddenly stricken blind while sitting at her desk. The girl was apparently reading a book when she suddenly dropped her head on her desk. She remained in that position for some moments and when asked what was the matter replied without raising her head, "Oh, I cannot see." A physician stated after making an examination that he could not tell whether the girl would be permanently blind or not. Her affliction is believed to be the result of overstudy.

Circus Cars Burned.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 25 .- Fire yesterday partly destroyed the new POPE LEO'S JUBILEE.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Pontificate Celebrated at Rome.

ROME, Feb. 21.-The twenty-fifth anniversary of the election of Leo XIII, to be the head of the Roman Catholic church was celebrated in the Vatican hall of the Beatification.

Admission was only by ticket, and shout 5,000 persons were present. The majority of these stood in the Regia hall and Ducale hall. The ceremony consisted in the pope receiving delegations of pilgrims from all parts of the world. This was followed by the pres-



POPE LEO XIII.

entation of gifts to his holiness, chief of which was a magnificent triple crown, the offering of Roman Catholics throughout the world.

The pope was accompanied by Cardinals Mocenni, Perraud, Ferrari, Satolli, Respighi, Boschi and Maechi and escorted by the much admired Noble guards in their new red state uniforms, which they had never worn since the fall of the temporal power.

After bestowing the apostolic blessing the pope returned to his apartments amid the enthusiastic plaudits of the multitude. He completed the functions of the jubilee without undue fa-

INSURGENT LADRONES FLEE

Miguel's Force Took to the Mountains When Pursued.

MANILA, Feb. 25.-General San Miguel's force of insurgent ladrones has abandoned Montalban, sixteen miles from here, and has probably fled to the Morong mountains. Reports from Bosoboso indicate the presence of lalican members of that committee who drones in that vicinity. Re-enforcehave been friendly to statehood. They ments for the government troops decided to ask the chairmen of the reached Montalban too late and failed to overtake the retreating ladrones. San Miguel has about 300 men with him. It is not believed that they can placed on two appropriation bills, subsist for any length of time in the mountains. The government is preparfor the omnibus bill as it came from ing to occupy the valleys and passes the house without amendment, but not and force San Miguel to fight or disband his followers.

Later reports indicate that only fifteen of the government troops, scouts and constabulary were captured Saturday and Sunday when the ladrones surrounded the towns of Cainta and Taythe question will receive very little if tay, eleven miles from Manila. These any more consideration during the ses- men, as cabled Feb. 22, were subsequently released by the ladrones after y had given up their arms

Detachments of constabulary and scouts encountered bands of the enemy on Saturday, and a series of skirmishes ensued. The government forces were victorious.

San Miguel has issued a manifesto directing his adherents to avoid a conflict with the Americans and to content themselves with harassing the police.

Mail Clerks Burned to Death.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 25 .- As the result of a head on collision between a westbound passenger train and an eastbound freight train a mile or two east of Berea, O., on the Big Four railroad four mail clerks and two tramps were burned to death and several trainmen hurt. The injuries to the train crews consisted mostly of cuts and bruises and are not considered serious. All but two of the cars of the passenger train were destroyed by a fire which probably started from the overturning and explosion of oil lamps in the express and mail cars.

Will Not Work After Potter. SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Feb. 25 .-The Building Trades' council, representing all men employed in any of the building trades, has made a demand upon Shafer & Barry, the employers of William Potter, the expelled militiaman, for his discharge. The demand has been refused, and the Building Trades' council has decided that when the spring building season opens all union carpenters, painters, masons, lathers, plasterers, etc., will refuse to work on any building on which Potter has been employed.

Lord Minto to Retire. OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 25.-A gentleman whose office brings him into close relations with the governor general is authority for the statement that Lord Minto will retire from office in the fall of this year, probably in November. His six years' appointment does not expire till the autumn of 1906, but other governor generals, with the single exception of the late Marquis of Dufferin, have not remained more than five

Bulgarians Organizing.

VIENNA, Feb. 23.-It is reported that the Macedonian leader Boris Sarafoff has organized within the past fortnight several weil equipped Bulgarian bands in Macedonia, each consisting of about 250 men. The Neue Freie Presse brick car barns at the winter quarters | learns that 4,000 armed Macedonians of the Barnum & Bailey circus on the are concentrated near the celebrated west side of this city and burned a Rila monastery, forty miles from Sofia, number of cars belonging to the circus. and are preparing to attack the town The loss is estimated at \$100,000, or of Melnik, in the Turkish province of

FOR SUNDAY OPENING

New York District Attorney Champions the Bill.

A SHARP THRUST AT MAYOR LOW

No Such Thing as "Liberal Enforcement" of Law, Jerome Says-Gerry Opposes Child Labor Measure-A New Education Bill.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 25.—District Attorney Jerome of New York appeared before senate and assembly committees yesterday in advocacy of the "Jerome bill" permitting saloons in New York to be open between the

bours of 1 and 11 p. m. on Sunday. He said: "Every saloon in New York could be closed on Sunday and kept closed, but it could not be enforced permanently, for the men who enforced it would be swept out of office. The mayor of New York is prattling about the liberal enforcement of the law when there is no such thing. You must either enforce a law or not enforce it. We are not a law abiding community, but we could learn to obey a law that we respected.

"Take the practical humiliation shown in the situation today. There we have a mayor of education and refinement, former president of a great educational institution, a man from the higher walk of life, and we find him juggling with the interpretation of the criminal law, talking about 'liberal enforcement.' We find him a nonjudicial officer, interpreting the statute."

The district attorney declared that 169,000 men drink in saloons and hotels in the metropolis on Sundays, and he pointed to the folly of trying to enforce

The only visible opposition to the child labor bills, on which hearing was given by the assembly committees on labor and industry, was that of Elbridge T. Gerry, president of the So ciety for Prevention of Cruelty to Chiliren. His objection, which was embodied in a letter read by Major Hamilton of New York city, was that such legislation would lead to a conflict between the law proposed and the penal code. It was the province of his soclety, he maintained, to care for these

The compulsory education bill prepared by Charles W. Cole, superintendent of schools of Albany, was introduced in the senate by Senator Lewis. It changes the compulsory period in which children must attend school from eight to sixteen to seven to sixteen years of age. Superintendents of schools are given authority to apply an educational test where children are taught elsewhere than at school. Children between the ages of fourteen and sixteen must attend night school not less than six hours a week for sixteen weeks, and school authorities and police magistrates shall have power to commit truants to truant schools or institutions during school vacations.

THREE RESERVOIRS BURST.

A Connecticut Town Damaged by Sudden Flood.

DERBY, Conn., Feb. 23.-The breaking of three reservoirs in the town of Shelton caused damages estimated at oetween \$75,000 and \$190,000, and there were several narrow escapes from death.

There are three reservoirs situated on a hill in the western part of the town. In some unknown manner a hole was broken in the largest reservoir, which is set back from the other two. The flow of water soon increased the hole to immense proportions, and the water flowed down to the reservoirs below. These were unable to withstand the onslaught, and their walks gave way, giving the water a free path to the town with the exception of a huge stone arch. This was carried away like paper, and the water swept down through Brooks street and Howe avenue, tearing a gully in the latter street 110 feet long and 30 feet wide. Logs, trees and huge cakes of ice were carried along and crashed into several nearby buildings. A large amount of gravel was swept into the canal which furnishes water power for several mills and completely stopped

Lived and Died Together.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25,-The remarkaole series of coincidences that filled the lives of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Moakley of 973 Park avenue found its climax when they both died within the same hour of pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Moakley were both born in the same small village in Ireland on the same day sixty-three years ago. They lived on the same little street, and their ancestors had been neighbors for generations. They were educated in the same school, and when they grew up their schoolday friendship ripened into something stronger, and they were married. A double funeral took place today.

Fulton Wins In Oregon.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 21.-After practically clearing up the legislative calendars yesterday the house and senate assembled in joint session at 8 o'clock p. m. to ballot for a United States senator in an attempt to break the deadlock before the expiration of the session at midnight. C. W. Fulton led on every ballot, his maximum vote being 34, with 45 necessary to a choice. Geer gained one vote during the evening. On the seventeenth ballot Fulton was elected and the long deadlock broken.

Bishop Merrill Has Paeumonia, CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—Bishop Stephen M. Merrill of the Methodist Episcopal church is seriously ill at the Wesley hospital here with pneumonia. The bishop was suffering severely Saturday with a cold which had troubled him for several days, and he went to the hospital for a few days' rest. Pneunonic developed.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and Tersely Told. The main building of the Mississippi

Female college at Meridian was burned.

The ezar ordered the construction of a railroad in Finland to employ starv-

ing people. Lord Roberts has accepted conditionally the invitation of New York Pilgrims to dinner next fall.

The national encampment of the G. A. R. will be held in San Francisco

during the week beginning Aug. 17. A shed and sixty-seven street cars of the St. Louis and Suburban Railway

company were burned; loss, \$200,000. The Arkansas legislature has passed a bill to bar from the state all commercial companies that have entered into any combination.

Tuesday, Feb. 24. Dynamite killed four people at Rockwood, Pa.

King Edward bas held his first levee of the season at Buckingham palace.

A railroad train struck a carriage near Jollet, Ill., killing two and fatally wounding two others.

A cablegram from Honolulu states that the recent earthquakes raised the level of Guam six inches.

The sale to the Candian Pacific Railroad company of fourteen Beaver fine steamers was completed in London. Premier de Szell of Hungary has

taken measures to stop the wholesale

emigration of young girls to America. The St. Louis and San Francisco's fast train Meteor was ditched near Dixon, Mo. One person was killed and five hurt.

Monday, Feb. 23. A thousand of Rome's poor popula-

tion were feasted by Pope Leo. The Hotel Deveaux in Toledo was destroyed by fire. The guests escaped un-

The village of Poultovitsi, Russia, has been destroyed by fire, and twelve persons perished.

Mary Kohland, aged eleven years, met a horrible death by being burned alive in a coke oven at Connellsville, Three white children, aged four

years, two years and six weeks, and a negro were drowned at Tallahassee, Maude Gonne, the "Irish Joan of

Are," was married to Major McBride of the Irish brigade in Paris. Saturday, Feb. 21.

A new wage schedule was issued by the Wabash.

A fire at Houghton, Mich., caused a loss of \$180,000.

Rev. Arthur Temple Lyttleton, bishep of Southampton, died at Petersfield, England.

A negro desperado who barricaded himself in a house at New Orleans and defied arrest was killed by the police. Two members of the freshman class were expelled from Princeton for vio-

lating honor system in examinations. ± gift of \$350,000 to the Columbia Teachers' college in New York city from Mrs. Frederick F. Thompson was

announced. Friday, Feb. 20.

Germany resumed diplomatic relations with Venezuela.

A small jug of Fulham ware sold in Two bandits held up a Los Angeles trolley car and robbed thirty-two pas-

sengers. Two of the crew were burned to death in a fire on a fishing schooner at

Boston wharf. A duel was fought at Budapest between the minister of national defense and a deputy as the result of a dispute in the Hungarian chamber.

Thursday, Feb. 19. Two were killed and \$100,000 damage done in an early morning fire in Port

Huron, Mich. Prince Komatsu, envoy of Japan at the coronation of King Edward, died at Yokohama.

F., to casting away a schooner to defraud Lloyd's of \$40,000 insurance. General Davis approved the finding of the court martial acquitting Major

Two men confessed at St. John's, N.

Glenn, but disapproved the major's orders to kill guides. A Scotch shipbuilding company has been ordered to pay Spain \$337,500 for

failure to deliver four torpedo boat destroyers on contract time.

Trains Snowbound Again. ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Feb. 25.-The belated express trains are again snowbound. One train after making sixty miles in the direction of St. John's found further progress impossible and was sent back ten miles to a divisional point where supplies of food and coal are stored which will enable it to remain a long period without causing anxlety. The other train on the western side of the plateau in the middle interior was unable to retreat to the settlement of Bay of Islands, as had been planned. A working train with two engines and a crew of fifty men, carrying a month's provisions, has started for their relief.

Heavy Damage by Ohio Floods.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 25.-The river is falling slowly. Farmers in the bottoms will not be able to move into their homes for another week. A great deal of stock has been drowned during the last week and it is estimated the loss to corn in crib and growing wheat between this city and Paducah is \$100,-000. Lumbermen along the Ohio and the smaller rivers near here probably will lose as much.

Explosion at Fort Lafayette.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.-Three men were killed outright, one man was injured so that he died later, two other men were fatally and at least seven seriously hurt in an explosion in the workroom of the naval storage magazine at Fort Imrayedte yesterday afterTHE RESIDENCE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY O

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ing any coal .- Shickshinny Echo.

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