

CHALLENGED TO RESIGN

Controversy of South Carolina Senators Renewed.

McLAURIN DEFENDS HIS COURSE

He Denounced the Democratic Leadership—Reply of Chairman Jones. Senator Tillman Renewed His Former Offer.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The senate chamber was the scene of a highly dramatic episode yesterday, when Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, challenged his colleague, Senator McLaurin, to resign with him on the spot, in order to use his own language, that they might be able "to wash their dirty linen at home." Mr. McLaurin did not take up the gauge. The incident was the direct sequel of the very bitter controversy which arose between the senators in South Carolina last spring. Mr. McLaurin arose to a question of personal privilege yesterday and proceeded to explain what he charged was a conspiracy to discredit him in his own state for acts and views which did not meet the approval of certain Democratic leaders. He declared that he was being humiliated, and, according to public prints, was to be excluded from the Democratic caucus because he had acted upon certain public issues in a way which he considered was for the best interests of the country and the people of his state. He announced himself a believer in the old Democracy, and after denouncing the new Democratic leaders who, he said, had brought destruction upon the party, declared that he could not be driven from his old allegiance into a party with which he did not care to affiliate.

Senator Jones, chairman of the Democratic committee, denied that he had any "ulterior motives" in not inviting Mr. McLaurin to enter the caucus. Mr. Tillman reviewed the whole controversy. Mr. Hear took occasion to express the opinion that it was very doubtful whether both the South Carolina seats in the senate were not in reality vacant. He contended that when the resignations were offered last spring to the governor they could not be withdrawn thereafter, having become immediately operative.

Mr. Tillman responded that for his part he was willing to have the senate declare both seats vacant.

Mr. McLaurin agreed with Mr. Tillman. "Very well," said Mr. Tillman, "let us both now write out our resignations and send them without more ado to the president of the senate. Then the people of South Carolina can decide whether my colleague is to have a seat here for six years and I none, or the reverse."

This challenge Mr. McLaurin did not accept, and the episode was brought to an abrupt close by Senator Lodge moving an executive session.

Explosion Injures Nine.

Sharon, Pa., Dec. 11.—An explosion that shook the earth for miles around shattered windows in hundreds of houses at South Sharon, moved adjacent buildings from their foundations and caused the injury of nine men, two perhaps fatally, occurred at the Sharon Steel company's plant yesterday. The explosion occurred in the casting department of "pig mill." The metal was being poured from the ladle into the casting machine, when it came in contact with some water, which caused a blast that was felt for a great distance. The casting house was completely wrecked. Large strips of heavy corrugated iron beams and other material were hurled hundreds of yards by the explosion. The casting machine and conveyor were damaged almost beyond repair. A part of the conveyor was blown several hundred feet, while not a vestige of the iron roof of the mill remains. Windows in the office of the steel company on Broadway, several hundred yards away from the explosion, were broken, and in Sharon and South Sharon the shock was felt like an earthquake.

Riot Among Soldiers.

Tien Tsin, Dec. 10.—A sentry belonging to an Indian regiment stationed here ran amuck yesterday and killed two of his comrades. A company of Punjab Infantry was at once ordered out to secure him. In the meantime the sentry had been shot by German troops, who then opened fire on the Punjabis. A free fight ensued, as a result of which three German privates were killed and a German officer mortally wounded, while three of the Indian troops were killed and several were wounded.

Dead Bodies Seen From Trains.

Colon, Colombia, Dec. 10.—The normal conditions prevail at Panama. At San Pablo, Buena Vista and other points skulls and bones of the dead bodies which were recently burned are still visible from the trains. It is thought probable that General Alban will devote his attention shortly to an effort to recapture the port of Tumaco, which is now held by a force of 3,000 Liberals.

Coroner's Verdict In Dale Poisoning.

New York, Dec. 10.—The coroner's inquiry into the death of Emmeline Dale, the child of Elizabeth Howe Dale, who is under arrest, charged with poisoning, was held in Hoboken last night and resulted in a verdict of accidental death from poisoning.

College Quarantined.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—Health officers ordered yesterday that Ottawa University be placed under quarantine. Three cases of small-pox have developed in the institution since Saturday. A great number of students at the university are from the United States.

AGAINST ANTI-SCALPING LAW

Resolutions Adopted By American Federation of Labor.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 11.—The exclusion of Chinamen, Japanese and other Asiatics from American territory, ticket scalping, legislation and advisability of adopting a universal label for union-made goods, were the principal questions that claimed the attention of the delegates at yesterday's session of the American Federation of Labor. The resolution advocating the exclusion of the Chinese was adopted by the convention with considerable hurrah, but in the matter of excluding natives of Japan and other Asiatic lands a snag was struck, and this part of the anti-Mongolian agitation was killed so far as the present convention is concerned. The special committee having charge of the exclusion matter was unanimous in favorably reporting the Chinese section of the resolution, but was divided in regard to the Japanese. The burden of the remarks of those opposed to the Japanese resolution was that Chinese immigration was the greater evil of the two.

The ticket scalping debate was quite a lively affair. The committee on resolutions recommended that the resolution presented by the International Typographical Union, denouncing anti-ticket scalping legislation be adopted. The delegates representing the railway telegraphers opened the fight against the resolution, making the point that such action was beyond the jurisdiction of the federation. A socialist from Chicago said the railroads were "skinning the people, and why not let the people skin the railroads? It is a skin game all around." When the vote was taken those in favor of permitting ticket scalping won by an overwhelming majority.

The agitation for a universal label, which has been carried on for a long time, was again defeated. Those who favored the idea fought valiantly, but the delegates had made up their minds on the question and crushed the proposition when it came to a vote.

The convention disposed of much routine business. The important question of trade autonomy was sent to a special committee, which was announced today.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS

Appointment of House Committees Announced—Treaty in Senate.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The open session of the senate yesterday was devoted to routine business, such as the presentation of petitions, memorandums and bills. The senate then went into executive session on motion of Senator Lodge, who has charge of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

Speaker Henderson, at the session of the house yesterday announced the appointment of the committees. Usually the committees are not appointed until after the holiday recess, but Speaker Henderson had the situation well in hand when congress met, and having completed the lists he announced them. The early appointment of the committees should facilitate legislation considerably.

A speech on the Philippines was delivered by the venerable ex-speaker, Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Burke (S. D.) formally announced the death of Senator Kyle, and as a mark of respect the house immediately adjourned.

British View of Ship Subsidy Bill.

London, Dec. 11.—The Daily Telegraph publishes an article, in which the views of a number of British ship owners on the ship subsidy bill are represented. The article says some ship owners estimate that the subsidies will amount to nearly 15 per cent. per annum on the cost of construction. British owners keenly resent the restriction of trading between American ports to American vessels. The bill is regarded with great disfavor by all Liverpool ship owners who are interested in the Atlantic trade, and with apprehension by the others.

Believe Miss Cropsey Dead.

Elizabeth City, N. C., Dec. 11.—The family of Nell Cropsey, who heretofore have clung to the belief that she was alive, are now of the opinion that she is dead, but do not state the basis for this change of opinion. A member of the committee of five in charge of the search for the missing girl said: "We believe we will produce the body of Nell Cropsey within 12 hours." Miss Carrie Cropsey, a cousin of the missing girl, last night said: "The family are at a loss for any explanation of the mystery. We now believe Nell is dead."

Will Employ 3,000 Men.

Easton, Pa., Dec. 11.—The Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill company has purchased 50 acres of land along the Lehigh river here, and will erect a mammoth works, including a score of new buildings and large additions to the present ones. Over 3,000 men will be employed in the new works. Four bridges will span the Lehigh, one of which will connect the old with the new plant.

Mrs. Roosevelt Gave Theatre Party.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Mrs. Roosevelt gave a box party at the Columbia Theatre last night, where the president, General S. B. M. Young, John Proctor, United States civil service commissioner, with Mrs. Wolcott, of Colorado, a guest at the White House, and Mrs. Joseph Hobson, witnessed the performance of "The Chaparrons," a new musical comedy.

Nicaragua Donates Land For Hospital Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 11.—President Zelaya has issued a decree by which the government of Nicaragua donates about 100,000 square yards of land, in one or more lots, situated on Ometepe Island, in Lake Nicaragua, to the United States for use as a sanitarium for the benefit of laborers on the canal.

FIGHTS WITH FILIPINOS

U. S. Troops Repulse Insurgents at Labo and Lipa.

PEOPLE FLEE FROM BATANGAS

200 Riflemen and 400 Bolomen Attacked Nagpartian and Are Driven Off By U. S. Infantry, Who Killed Eleven of Them.

Manila, Dec. 11.—Thousands of people are leaving Batangas province for places of safety. General James M. Bell reports an important engagement between a force of Insurgents at Labo, province of Camarines, and a detachment of the Twentieth Infantry. Three Americans were killed. The loss of the enemy is not known, but is believed to have been heavy. General Bell anticipates a speedy extermination of the irreconcilables.

A large force of insurgents recently attacked the town of Lipa, province of Batangas, killing one soldier and several Americanists. Troop H, First Cavalry, killed ten of the enemy before the remainder of the insurgent force escaped. The Filipinos evidently expected a victory, for they had cut the wires and carried off a hundred yards of the line.

A Filipino force, consisting of 200 riflemen and 400 bolomen, recently attacked Nagpartian, province of North Ilocos. Company M, Eighth Infantry, acting on the defensive, drove off the enemy, killing eleven of them, with no loss to themselves.

\$10,000,000 FOR EDUCATION

Terms of Mr. Carnegie's Donation Not Yet Made Public.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The proposed gift of \$10,000,000 by Andrew Carnegie for educational purposes was discussed at yesterday's meeting of the cabinet. It was stated after the meeting that the president had received a communication from Mr. Carnegie on the subject of the creation of a fund for the extension of higher education. It is said that his proposition does not involve the establishment of university buildings in Washington, but rather the placing of a fund in the hands of government trustees from which the expenses of deserving students may be paid in the line of original investigation at home or abroad. The president will confer with members of congress in regard to the proposed gift before making its terms public.

In an interview, ex-President Daniel C. Gilman, of the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., said: "So far as I know Mr. Carnegie's plans, they are likely to be of a character which will benefit all the higher institutions of learning in this country, and will encourage advanced students and investigators, whether they have taken degrees or not, to prosecute researches in Washington and elsewhere. I am confident that he does not contemplate the establishment of a university, in the ordinary acceptance of that term."

Wayne, W. Va., Almost Wiped Out.

Wayne, W. Va., Dec. 11.—This town, the county seat of Wayne county, was almost wiped out by a fire which broke out shortly after midnight Monday and raged until after daylight yesterday. The damage is estimated at \$50,000. There was but little insurance, as the town has no fire department. The fire originated in a livery stable, and a stiff wind that was blowing caused the flames to sweep on, destroying everything in their path for two squares. The inhabitants could do nothing but stand idly by and see their property go up in smoke.

Wages of Railroaders Garnished.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 11.—The wages of 39 Harrisburg employees of the Philadelphia and middle division of the Pennsylvania Railroad company were garnished yesterday by a West Virginia collecting agency. The men are employed in the freight department, and some were notified that they would not receive the full amount of their wages until the claims against them are settled. The claims vary from \$3 to \$40, and aggregate about \$600.

Ask President's Assistance.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Caroline Blicke, of Allegheny, Pa., has written to President Roosevelt, asking his assistance in securing what she alleges is due her from a fortune of \$100,000 or more left by an uncle, Charles Brenig, who went to Hawaii in 1860, under the name of Simeon Welbert. She alleges that the will under which Samuel M. Damon, formerly a member of President Dole's cabinet, is made chief beneficiary, was forged.

Ice House Collapsed.

New York, Dec. 11.—One man was killed and two received injuries that will probably result fatally, by the collapse of an ice house in the course of construction at Orange, N. J., yesterday. The man killed was Patrick Tony, a carpenter, and those dangerously hurt are Joseph Wright and Patrick O'Rourke. Two other workmen on the building received slight wounds.

Big Gas Company Incorporated.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 10.—The United Gas and Electric company, capital \$4,000,000, was incorporated here yesterday to supply gas and electricity. The incorporators are John D. Fearbake and Frank B. Pierce, of New York, and Edward P. Meeker, of Jersey City.

Will Appeal to Congress.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The William McKinley National Memorial Arch Association has determined to change its plan of operation so as to appeal to congress instead of to the public for the erection of the proposed McKinley memorial arch at Washington.

A WASHINGTON MYSTERY

A Fashionable Modiste Victim of An Unknown Assailant.

Washington, Dec. 11.—A mystery that promises to rival in interest the Bonine case developed yesterday, when the unconscious form of Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, a widow of 45 years, one of the most prominent of Washington's fashionable modistes, was discovered in her room at 117 K street, N. W., her skull fractured, her jaw broken, and her body badly bruised in several places. The entire detective force of the city was turned loose on the case, but as yet no clue to the perpetrator has been found.

The general belief is that Mrs. Dennis was attacked while asleep in her back room on the first floor, and that the first blow, in all probability administered with the piano stool, which was smeared with blood, rendered her unconscious. The preliminary investigations by the police fail to indicate that there was any struggle. Mrs. Dennis, in a conscious moment while being carried to the hospital, said that some one had "hurt" her, but when pressed for details merely responded "never mind." When found she was clad in her night clothes, and was in bed under the covers. An operation was performed on Mrs. Dennis at the hospital yesterday afternoon.

The victim of the assault remains in a very precarious condition at the hospital. The physicians say she may regain consciousness, in which event it is hoped she will say something that will give the police something to work upon. No arrests have yet been made. The physicians hold out only a slight hope of the woman's recovery.

DEFENSE CLOSED IN BONINE CASE

Case May Be Given to Jury Tomorrow Evening.

Washington, Dec. 11.—After three days of almost continuous objections to questions by the defense in the Bonine case and extended arguments on them, District Attorney Gould has abandoned these tactics. Mrs. Bonine's lawyers have been trying by every means to get such questions to the expert witnesses as would tend to show that the wounds which caused the death of Ayres could have been inflicted in the manner described by the defendant in her original statement.

Deputy Coroner Glazebrook and Morgue Keeper Schoenberger were examined at the afternoon session. Their testimony was unimportant. The defense then announced its side closed. The prayers of both sides were submitted today, and the case probably will go to the jury tomorrow evening or Friday morning.

Aged Woman Frozen to Death.

New York, Dec. 10.—The body of Mrs. Clea Hendrickson, a widow, was found frozen in the meadows near Matawan, N. J., yesterday. She was 70 years of age. Mrs. Hendrickson had lived with her daughter, Mrs. James T. Gray, of Holmdel, but two weeks ago insisted on earning her own living and went to work for a farmer. She left his house a week ago, without saying where she was going. It is supposed that she started to the village to see her daughter and became lost in the woods, and wandered about exposed to the intense cold of the day and night a week ago until she perished where her body was found.

Bank Cashier Steals \$100,000.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 10.—H. J. Fleishman, cashier of the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of this city, has disappeared with a sum of the bank's money, which Vice President H. W. Hellman estimates at \$100,000. Fleishman has not been seen since 9 o'clock Saturday morning. He notified the bank people that he was ill Saturday morning, and would not be at his desk. Nothing was thought of the matter at the time. When he failed to report yesterday his accounts were examined and the shortage discovered.

Democrats Carry Boston.

Boston, Dec. 11.—The Democrats completely overwhelmed the Republicans in the city election yesterday. General Patrick A. Collins being elected over Mayor Thomas N. Hart by the largest plurality in a quarter of a century. The Democrats likewise obtained control of both branches of the city government, elected their street commissioners and practically all their candidates for the school commission. As usual, the city voted strongly in favor of license.

Leased Land For Isthmian Canal.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 10.—Dr. Fernando Sanchez, Nicaraguan minister of foreign affairs, and William L. Merry, United States minister to Nicaragua, Salvador and Costa Rica, signed a treaty yesterday by which Nicaragua agrees to lease a section of Nicaraguan territory, six miles wide, which includes the route of the Nicaraguan canal, to the United States perpetually.

Penny Makes Improvements.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.—The Pennsylvania Railroad company yesterday awarded contracts for improvements involving an expenditure of more than a million of dollars. The contracts included the erection of a four-track stone-arch bridge over the Raritan river at New Brunswick, N. J., and a new single-track tunnel through the crest of the Allegheny mountains at Gallitzin.

Buffalo's Treasurer Resigned.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 10.—City Treasurer Philip Guerst, who was suspended by Mayor Diehl, pending an investigation of the books of the city treasurer's office, resigned yesterday. The resignation will have no effect on the proceedings against Guerst on charges of misuse of the city's money. He was given a hearing before the mayor today.

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