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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

President Roosevelt's Panama policy was severely arraigned by Senator Hoar in his speech on his resolution calling for information on the origin of the Isthmian resolution. Mr. Hoar is a staunch republican but does not allow party loyalty to blind him to the unwarranted attitude of the Administration toward the revolution in Panama. He said in part: "Now, Mr. President, I want to know—I think the American people want to know, and have a right to know, whether this mighty policeman, instructed to keep the peace on that isthmus, seeking a man about to attack another, before he had struck his blow, manacled the arms of the attacked so that he could not defend himself, leaving the assailant free, and then instantly proceeded to secure from the assailant his pocket book on the ground that he was the facto owner." The Senator's speech was read from a carefully prepared manuscript and caused consternation among his republican colleagues. Senator Foraker answered the speech, declaring that Mr. Hoar had no right to demand from the President proof that he had told the truth in his message, and added that the Senator's speech should at least have been made in executive session. Mr. Gorman supported Senator Hoar and declared that the President was a second Napoleon. "A second Napoleon indeed! Has it come to this that the United States must have a Napoleon to shape its destinies and to distort the Presidential office from its proper function." Senator Bailey congratulated Senator Hoar for being on the democratic side of the question.

Without any opposition, the Senate in executive session ratified the Chinese commercial treaty. Mr. Nelson, of Minnesota, criticized the agreement for not giving the United States sufficient open ports, and placed the blame for this on Russia. He warned the Senate that there was a possibility of trouble with Russia over the stand that the government has taken in Manchuria. Senator Lodge urged the immediate ratification of the treaty, as such was thought by the State Department to be essential. He said that the ratification of the treaty would have a good effect in settling the far Eastern question.

The Northern Securities case against the U.S. was argued for two days before the Supreme Court, whose decision is not awaited with interest. Attorney General Knox represented the government and Mr. John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, and former Attorney General Griggs and others composed the counsel retained by the companies. During the hearing many Senators, members of Congress and prominent business men crowded the court room.

Mr. Johnson argued that the Securities Company did not acquire the stock of the two trans-continental railroads to retain trade, but to increase it; that the Sherman anti-trust act did not forbid the acquisition of stock in two different companies and that if it did, it would be unconstitutional; and lastly that the mere possession of power to prevent competition was not the same as preventing it. Attorney General Knox replied for the Government that the Securities Companies was a combination in restraint of interstate commerce and therefore a violation of the Sherman act; that it was a monopoly and that the court had the right to prevent it. He added that it bordered on the ridiculous to claim that two railroads which were under the same management, would ever compete in any true sense of the word.

Assistant Postmaster General Bristow's complete report has just been published and several copies of it have been given to each member of Congress. The report of Holmes Conrad and Charles J. Bonaparte has likewise been published. It holds Perry S. Heath directly responsible for the frauds in the Washington Post Office and tries to saddle some of the blame for the postal scandals upon former Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith by claiming that he did not pay sufficient attention to the warnings which were given him.

The Cuban reciprocity bill was signed by the President with a gold pen supplied for the occasion by Senor Don Gonzalo de Quesada, the Cuban Minister. The bill passed the Senate by a vote of 57 to 18, many democrats supporting it and one republican voting against it. On the last day of the debate Senator Bailey made an able argument against the constitutionality of the action of the President and Senate in negotiating a treaty which called for a reduction of the tariff and of making the validity of the treaty contingent on the approval of the House. He declared that such an act was contrary to the provisions of the Constitution which declares that all revenue acts shall originate in the House. This question will probably be taken before the Supreme Court as soon as the reciprocity bill goes into effect.

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If you are generous to others and grateful to God on Christmas day, why can you not strive to do the same on every other day of the twelve month? That is a poor watch that is right only once in twenty-four hours. Keep Christmas in a warm heart, and open hand all the year round!—Theodore L. Cuyler.

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According to the cablegram received here from Manila, an agreement has been made by Governor Taft and the Philippine friars, whereby the friar "land question" will be settled. The Pope has approved the terms of the settlement and the approval of the War Department is now awaited. According to the agreement the 403,000 acres comprising all the agricultural lands of the friars, will be purchased for \$7,250,000. The price at first asked was \$15,000,000. As the people of the United States are not to be charged with any of the money required to buy the lands, and as the purchase will be generally approved of by the people of the islands, there is no doubt that the President and Secretary Root will approve Governor Taft's arrangement.

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If Judge Robinson had carried his diploma, with his spiketail with him to Washington, he could have gone into the dinner and filled his mouth with cotton instead of Mr. Hanna's delicious viands. He didn't leave the court house when Hon. Kope Elias was speaking. He merely stuffed his ekers with cotton so as not to hear anything.—News and Observer.

The Lone Star, states.

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Oklahoma Humor.

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We know a young man who attends church regularly and clasps his hands so tight during prayer that he can't get them open when the contribution box comes around.

"How much do you charge for weighing hogs?" asked a gentleman of our hog buyer, Walkes Moore. "Oh, just get on, I'll weigh you for nothing," was the bland reply.

A young girl named Mary Ann Aldridge had occasion to send a note to a gentleman and put two r's in her first name in the signature thus: "Marry Ann Aldridge." The man was a bachelor and accepted the proposition at once.—Chronicle, Weatherford, Okla.

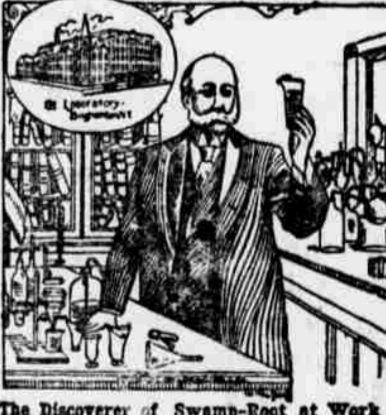
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