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DAY GIVEN TO EXCLUSION BILL

SENATORS PRITCHARD AND GALLINGER SPEAK AGAINST IT AND OTHERS IN ITS FAVOR.

Spooner Resents Turner's Prediction that Republicans will Defeat Bill.

STATE LIBRARY OF SPEECHES IN THE HOUSE

MOST OF THESE OPPOSED THE MEASURE—PAYNE ENDEAVORS TO SECURE AGREEMENT TO CLOSE DEBATE, WITHOUT SUCCESS.

Washington, April 15.—When the senate met today, Mr. Hansbrough, from the committee on public lands, reported the house bill legalizing the manual of surveying instructions of the general land office and the bill was passed.

The senate then resumed consideration of the Chinese exclusion bill and Mr. Gallinger read a number of telegrams referring to the bill. One of these telegrams was from a number of attorneys of San Francisco denouncing as "false and malicious" an allegation made by Chinese Inspector Dunn before the senate committee on immigration to the effect that many attorneys use unfair means in protecting the interests of their clients. There also was a mass of other telegrams from the cities of the Pacific coast, urging the passage of the Platt substitute re-enacting the Geary law. Mr. Perkins, of California, submitted a large number of dispatches supporting the bill.

The bill then was laid aside and the senate passed the additional urgent deficiency appropriation bill, with a minor amendment. Consideration of the Chinese exclusion bill was resumed and Mr. Hittfield, of Idaho, spoke in support of the senate measure.

Mr. Pritchard, of North Carolina, followed in a speech opposing the bill, mainly on account of the injury it would cause the south in reducing the cotton exports to China.

Gallinger also opposed the measure, while Mallory, Penrose and Turner favored it. Near the close of the debate Turner criticised the attitude of the republicans toward the bill question and their fidelity to the principle of Chinese exclusion. He predicted that the bill would be defeated by their votes.

Spooner hotly resented this. He said the republican party had no need to defend itself on the score of protecting labor. He declared the republicans were as strongly in favor of excluding Chinese labor as Turner was. If the United States were threatened with an influx of Chinese labor he would vote for the bill and make it even more drastic than it was, but he felt it his duty as the matter now stood to vote to continue the present law two years.

The bill went over and the senate adjourned.

The senate committee on privileges and elections today, by a majority of one, voted to amend the house resolution providing for the election of senators by direct vote of the people, by adding the amendment offered by Senator Depew. The amendment is as follows:

"The qualifications of citizens entitled to vote for United States senators and representatives in congress shall be uniform in all the states and congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation and to provide for the registration of citizens entitled to vote; the conduct of such elections and the certificate of the result."


The committee voted down the Penrose amendment providing that senators shall be apportioned according to the population of the several states.

The vote on the Penrose amendment was unanimous.

Senator Burrows voted with the democrats in opposition to the Depew proposition. Otherwise the vote was strictly on partisan lines. The division was as follows:

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There was a general discussion of the merits of the house resolution and it was the understanding that a vote should be reached upon it as amended at the next regular meeting of the committee, which will be held on Tuesday of next week.

Sen. Pritchard Speaks on Exclusion. Special to the Gazette.

Washington, April 15.—Senator Pritchard presented his views to the senate in a speech on the Chinese exclusion bill. The senator held to the sentiments as expressed in his interview several days ago. It seems now that the bill will be modified or defeated.

In the House

Washington, April 15.—When the house met today, Mr. Mahon (Pa.) chairman of the committee on war claims, asked unanimous consent to non-concur in the senate amendments to the omnibus claims bill and to send the bill to conference. Mr. Maddox, of Georgia, objected.

Before the debate upon the Cuban reciprocity bill was resumed, Mr. Payne, the floor leader of the majority, attempted to reach an agreement to close general debate on Thursday. His overtures were rejected.

Mr. Payne gave notice that at the first opportunity he would move to limit the debate.

At the close of the day's session there was no indication as to when the debate will close. A number of members delivered speeches, a vast majority of whom opposed the measure. Just before the house adjourned the military academy appropriation bill was reported. It appropriates \$3,527,342, and raises the pay of cadets from \$540 to \$600 a year.

Mr. Swanson, of Virginia, a member of the ways and means committee, the first speaker today, favored the bill. He argued that the bill was in line with the democratic policy of tariff reform. That statement made him a target for the questions of some of his democratic colleagues who differed from him and he had sharp clashes with Mr. Bartlett, of Georgia; Mr. Wheeler of Kentucky, and Mr. Cooper of Texas.

A letter from Attorney General Knox relative to the so-called beef trust was made public today by Representative Ray, of New York, chairman of the house committee on judiciary. In view of the attorney general's letter the judiciary committee decided without division to recommend the report of Representative Thayer of Massachusetts, asking the attorney general what steps he had taken against the beef trust. The attorney general's letter is given in Chairman Ray's report on the resolution. The reports quotes Representative Ray's letter, dated April 12, to the attorney general. These questions are asked:

"1. Has your attention been called to the matter alleged in house resolution 202, a copy of which is annexed?"

"2. Have you been requested to take any official action in the matter?"

"3. Have you any evidence of the existence of such a combination?"

The attorney general in a letter of the same date, answers the questions as follows:

"1. It has not, except so far as it is a matter of general notoriety."

"2. I have not."

"3. None that could be classed as legal evidence."

Continuing the letter says:

"It is proper, I think, however, to add that owing to the positive, often repeated, and circumstantial nature of the allegations that the law is being flagrantly violated, I directed some time ago a thorough investigation to be made by one of the district attorneys of the United States for the purpose of ascertaining whether in fact such combination existed and whether if so, its operations were in violation of any federal statute."

Continuing the report says:

"It is apparent from this correspondence that there is no necessity for the adoption of the resolution. The attorney general of the United States has already ordered a thorough investigation and will perform his duty and prosecute all offenders, if offenders there be."

"It is also evident that this officer cannot state whether or not there has been an infringement of the law as no evidence has been presented to him upon which to base an opinion."

"It is also evident that no legal steps can be taken toward a prosecution of the parties violating the law until a thorough investigation has been made. In short, the letter of the attorney general above quoted answers the resolution as fully as it can be or to be at this time."

M'GOVERN—CORBETT FIGHT GOES TO CONNECTICUT

Cincinnati, April 15.—Bids for the McGovern-Corbett fight were opened here today and the fight awarded to the Nutmeg Athletic club of Connecticut, their bid being a purse of \$14,000. The fight will take place in October.

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RESULT OF DISCUSSION IN CABINET MEETING

TWO OFFICERS, NOW IN THIS COUNTRY, WHO ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE INFLECTED THE "WATER CURE" ON FILIPINOS TO BE TRIED AT ONCE.

Washington, April 15.—The president and Secretary Root have determined upon a rigid investigation of all the charges of cruelty of any kind by the army in the Philippines and have directed General Chaffee to place General Smith on trial by court martial if there is any foundation for the statements made by Waller against the officer. This action was taken after a thorough discussion of the whole subject by the cabinet today. The president expressed himself very strongly against unnecessarily harsh measures by army officers in dealing with the Filipinos and urged upon Secretary Root immediate communication with General Chaffee to secure a circumstantial report of all facts connected with the charges of cruelty.

At the suggestion of Secretary Root, and on approval by the president, a lengthy cablegram was sent late this afternoon reciting the number of charges of cruelty that have been made against officers in the Philippines, including those made by Waller against General Smith, and the infliction of the "water cure" on the president of the town of Igbaras. The cablegram informed Chaffee that the president desired to know in the fullest and most circumstantial manner all the facts, nothing being concealed, and no man being, for any reason, favored. Steps have already been taken to place Captain Conger and Lieutenant Lyon, who are now in this country, on trial. They were in charge of the detachment of the Eighteenth infantry that administered the "water cure" to the president of the town of Igbaras.

PRITCHARD CONDEMNED BY NEGRO CONVENTION

FOR USING HIS INFLUENCE AGAINST THEIR APPOINTMENT TO OFFICE.

Raleigh, N. C., April 15.—"We condemn the course of Senator Pritchard in using his influence to turn out nearly all the negro federal office holders in the state." This resolution is the key note of the deliberations of the state convention of negroes held at Raleigh today. An address to the colored people of the state was issued deploring the bitterness between the races in consequence of the recent political agitation and the resulting legislation, but counsels patience and advises the negroes to remain in North Carolina, cultivate habits of thrift, acquire homes and educate their children. It tells them to pay taxes and exercise the right to vote whenever possible, even if they have to nominate candidates of their own, but insists that they shall not support candidates who have not the interests of their race at heart. It advises a full representation of negroes at the republican state convention that their demands may be heard.

FILIPINOS SURRENDER TO GENERAL CHAFFEE

Manila, April 15.—General Chaffee has arrived at Calbayog, Samar, to receive the surrender of three columns under General Bunal. In addition to Bunal, two colonels, eight staff officers, 18 lieutenants, 17 riflemen, 200 bolomen and

400 members of a revolutionary society have taken the oath of allegiance.

Surgeon Major Meacham is dead, having succumbed to incessant work among the cholera patients here.

General Smith will sail shortly for the United States.

ASSASSIN SHOOTS A RUSSIAN MINISTER

SLAIN BY A STUDENT HE HAD PUNISHED.

St. Petersburg, April 15.—The minister of the interior, M. Sipiaguine, was shot and fatally wounded at 1 o'clock this afternoon in the lobby of the ministerial offices, by a man who held a pistol close to the minister's person. The wounded man died at 2 p. m.

The assassin was arrested. He gives his name as Balschaneff. He is a student or ex-student of Kieff university. He drove to the imperial Council office, wearing the uniform of a military officer, and awaited the minister's arrival. When he saw the minister he advanced and handed him a letter saying he had been directed by Grand Duke Sergius to deliver it. Sipiaguine stopped to take the letter, whereupon the assassin rapidly fired five shots at him. Two bullets lodged in the minister's body and another struck a man servant, inflicting a wound which is not believed to be serious.

The murderer did not resist arrest. He said he was punished by Sipiaguine's orders for participating in a demonstration at Kieff in 1901 and determined to be avenged.

Sipiaguine, who was 55 years old, had been in the imperial service most of his life. He was also chief of the secret police.

NO ACTION YET TAKEN TO POSTPONE EXPOSITION

St. Louis, April 14.—President D. R. Francis, of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition company, in answer to the numerous statements that the world's fair would not open in 1903, as provided, but that it would be postponed, made this statement to the Associated Press:

"Neither the board of directors nor the executive committee has taken any formal action concerning a postponement of the exposition. Personally, I should prefer the exposition to be held in 1903. If, in the judgment of the local company, approved by the national committee, congress and the administration a postponement is thought necessary, that steps would be taken in due time, but under no circumstances would a postponement to 1906 be considered."

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The Northwestern Association of Millers at a numerous attended meeting held in the Liverpool corn exchange today, decided to advance the price of flour by a shilling a sack, and to add the new duty, of five pence per hundred weight, on all flour which should have been delivered before today.

There was a heavy slump in sugar at Liverpool today. Prices fell nine pence to a shilling early in the day, with the prospect of a further decline, in consequence of there being no alternative in the sugar duty. Spectators had heavily stocked themselves with sugar, in anticipation of a possible increase in the price.

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