

THOUSANDS BRAVE STORM TO SEE GREAT NATIONAL PAGEANT OF INAUGURATION

Estimated that Fully 200,000 People in Capital Last Night; Still they Come SMALL ARMY WILL MARCH IN PARADE Expected That the Original Program Can be Carried Out

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 3.—A vast army of people tramped the streets of the national capital in a downpour of rain today in eager expectancy of the nation's greatest of all pageants, the presidential inauguration.

Congress practically cleared its desks, both houses working under high pressure. President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft tonight slept under the same roof after a strenuous day spent in receiving callers, all the members of the cabinet resigned in accordance with custom, and the labors of the inaugural committee were completed.

Numberless hosts have gathered here from all parts of the country, awaiting the coming of tomorrow's spectacle when Mr. Taft will be inducted into the highest office in the gift of the people. In spite of threatening clouds which hung overhead during the day, and then later turned into a drenching downpour of rain, mixed with snow, the visiting thousands did not allow their ardor to be dampened nor their interest in the spirit of the occasion to be lessened by the disagreeable weather.

Everything in Readiness. It is believed that Mr. Taft and Mr. Sherman tomorrow will be inducted into office according to the program. The finishing touches in the decorative scheme of the magnificent court of honor were finished today and the final rehearsal of the orchestra for the inaugural ball at the pension office building were held. Pennsylvania avenue will be cleared of all vehicles, streets cars and pedestrians at 9 o'clock by an order issued by the superintendent of police today.

Fifty Thousand in Line. The time-honored inaugural parade, which a greater number will be enabled to witness, is claiming more interest than the inauguration itself. The latest estimate of the number of men who will march is placed at 50,000, not the least of which will be the governors of fourteen states, each accompanied by his staff.

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TEN ITALIANS LOSE THEIR LIVES; SUFFOCATED IN TENEMENT FIRE

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 3.—In spite of prompt and heroic work by police and firemen, a number of whom were seriously injured in trying to effect rescues, ten persons were suffocated and burned to death early today in a fire which destroyed a double tenement house in lower Seventh avenue in which thirty families, mostly Italians, were asleep.

HUNTING NEW EVIDENCE FOR STATE'S CASE

Three Mysterious Men Made Inquiries as to Carmack's Habits NINE OF JURY ARE PATTERSON MEN For That Reason State Attorneys Are Afraid to Attack Governor

(By Associated Press.) NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 3.—After a strenuous recess today on the part of counsel on both sides in the Cooper-Sharp trial for the murder of former United States Senator E. W. Carmack, only two facts developed. One is that S. J. Binning, the mysterious witness for the defense who claimed he saw Senator Carmack revolving the cylinder of a gun, which will not revolve, will be recalled for further cross-examination by the state. The other was the feverish activity of the special agents or secret police of the prosecution. It developed that this activity was due to identity of one of three mysterious men who would make valuable witnesses for the prosecution.

Three Mysterious Men. On the day of Carmack's death—early in the day—three men visited the office of The Nashville Tennessean, an office which Senator Carmack was editor. Each of these men asked at the business office if the clerk could give him Mr. Carmack's address, and if he knew about what time the Senator went home each afternoon. Two of the men called in the morning or before noon. The clerks in the counting room did not know where Carmack lived. But after a second inquiry they secured the information and when the third man appeared, after 1 p. m., they gave him the address.

One is Vague. "Our clue is vague," said Attorney General McCann tonight, "and I doubt if we will be able to use the information. We know that the inquiries were made and can prove this by Tennesseean employees. But unless we can identify the men who made them and then further connect them directly with a conspiracy to murder Senator Carmack, under our laws we could not offer the testimony—even of the Tennesseean employees. We are sparing no pains to identify the men, however, despite the apparent hopelessness of the task. Of course even if we identify the men they will deny the charge and we might not be able to connect them with the defendants."

Jury Patterson Men. It became generally known today that counsel for the prosecution would not cross examine either Governor M. R. Patterson or Adjutant General H. Brown. At the same time it became just as well known that the attorneys for the state disagreed as to the wisdom of this proceeding. At least two of the attorneys for the prosecution are strong political enemies of the chief executive. These favored grilling the governor. The other, however, objected for two reasons. First, they considered that the governor's testimony simply corroborated that of other witnesses as to the famous conference the day of the tragedy. These conferences the state admits took place. Secondly, of the twelve jurors, nine are Patterson supporters and it was not deemed advisable to attack the governor on this account.

WILLING TO LET TEDDY DOWN EASY

Senate Not Disposed to Start Any New Quarrels With Him. (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 3.—On motion of Senator Aldrich the Bailey resolution regarding presidential instructions in executive communications to congress was referred to the committee on the judiciary by a vote of 52 to 25. The vote was on strict party lines. Mr. Bailey took the floor to discuss his resolution directing the secretary of the senate to return to heads of departments communications from them made in response to demands of the senate which purport to be sent "by direction of the president." Mr. Bailey contended for the prerogative of the senate to demand information in its own right. Incidentally, he said, that he did not expect so much "executive insolence" from the next administration as there has been in the one now expiring.



"Of all sad words of brain or pen, the saddest are these, 'It might have been.'"

ANOMALOUS PROCEEDING IN SENATE PUTS POLICE BILL BACK ON FILES

Mills, of Rutherford, Makes a Personal Issue of Matters and Accuses Weaver of Bad Faith. Colleagues Then Decide That the Clincher of Last Night Did Not Clinch. May Pass Today.

(Special to The Citizen.) RALEIGH, March 3.—A sensation developed in the senate tonight over the Asheville police commission bill which had passed its reading last night and been ordered enrolled for ratification after "The Clincher" had been ordered put on it through Senator Lockhart acting for Representative Weaver. Senator Mills criticized sharply the alleged course of Representative Weaver, and made the reopening of the consideration of the bill a personal matter. He was out of the chamber when the bill was passed last night and had, he said, been promised by Mr. Weaver that it would not be taken up until he returned. It developed today that Mr. Mills was so indignant last night after the senate adjourned that he declared his intention to resign from the senate. However, he decided not to do this, but to take the stand he did tonight which resulted in the reconsideration of the vote and putting the bill back on the calendar.

At the time that an engagement had been made for him to attend a supper. He came back and requested Senator Powell to move that the special order be changed to 9 o'clock. This was done. A few minutes later he saw Representative Weaver of Buncombe, and Mr. Weaver had said to him that the postponement was all right, and that the bill would not be taken up until he (Mr. Miller) should return. Mr. Mills said that he made the statement to a lady at supper that he did not have to be back to the senate at exactly 9 o'clock as Representative Weaver had told him that the matter would not be taken up till his return. He was surprised when he returned to the senate chamber and found, contrary to his agreement with Mr. Weaver that the matter had been taken up and disposed of. He had taken up the matter with Mr. Weaver and the latter had stated that he was not in the chamber when the matter was considered. "I take the ground," said Mr. Mills, "that if Mr. Weaver was outside he could have easily have stopped it by going to Senator Lockhart or to a friend of mine and telling him of his agreement with me. If he had told them of our agreement made man to man they would have stopped it."

Asheville Exiled. The city of Asheville is exiled from this senate because it has a republican representative here and any motion made on a thing, he said would have been construed to be a republican measure. "I ask the unanimous consent of the senate that the matter come up for reconsideration. It is not necessary that the matter be debated. I am willing for the matter to be voted on without debate, and I do not object to a debate. It makes no difference with me. I want to be treated fairly and honestly. I don't want the methods of the representative from Buncombe to be endorsed by the senate. I have not been treated fairly by him and I say it here publicly as I have told him privately."

JEFFRIES GETTING IN FINE SHAPE

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 3.—James J. Jeffries, retired heavyweight champion of the world, was accorded a remarkable demonstration on his arrival here today. A crowd of nearly two thousand people gathered at the Grand Central station and wildly cheered the pugilist as he bowed his way to a carriage. Jeffries was accompanied by his wife and sparring partner, Sam Berger. Jeffries appeared to be in very good physical condition. He said: "I have been training lightly for several weeks and have reduced my weight to about 245 pounds. Each day I find that I can box faster than the day before, and I am delighted to find that my wind is in good shape. I feel better today, but I can't say definitely whether I will again enter the ring or not. I have been out of the ring for four years, and that may make it impossible for me to attain strict championship form again."

PARTING GIFTS FOR THOSE THEY LOVE

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 3.—Behind closed doors the senate today paid to Vice-President Fairbanks one of the most remarkable tributes ever given to a presiding officer. He was presented with a magnificent silver service, costing \$1,185, as the gift of the entire body of senators, and with a loving cup as the present of the legislative members. The presentation of the silver service was made by Senator McCumber. Senator Daniel spoke for the minority, dilating upon Mr. Fairbanks' uniform fairness. He suggested that if at any time Mr. Fairbanks should tire of the monotonous service in the republican party the democrats would be glad to welcome him. He facetiously suggested that it would not be well for Mr. Fairbanks to take more than one draught from the flagon before breakfast if it should happen to get filled with other than buttermilk.

REFUSES TO GIVE PRESIDENT MORE THAN \$75,000 FOR SALARY

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 3.—The salary of the president of the United States has been definitely fixed at \$75,000 per annum without any additional allowances for traveling expenses. This conclusion was arrived at during the day and night by two conference committees of the two houses of congress, one on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and the other on the sundry civil appropriation bill. Originally the senate inserted an amendment in the legislative bill giving the president a salary of \$100,000 a year. The house reduced the amount to \$75,000 and the conference on that measure resulted in the retention of the house figures. Anticipating the possibility of this conclusion with reference to the salary, the senate inserted in the sundry civil bill a provision appropriating \$25,000 for the payment of the president's traveling expenses. Late tonight the senate also receded from this amendment, thus leaving a flat salary of \$75,000 for the president, out of which he must pay his own way when traveling. The senate lost all of its other amendments for increase of salaries for high officials, such as the vice-president, the speaker of the house, the supreme court judges, etc.

RUSHING WORK TO ADJOURN ON NEXT MONDAY

Both Houses of the Legislature Cleaning Up Files Rapidly HOMESTEAD BILL FAILS TO PASS Pension Fund Increased; General Appropriation Yet to Be Passed

RALEIGH, N. C., March 3.—Three sessions for the house and two for the senate again today made it possible for large numbers of local bills to be cleared from the calendars in the rush that is being made now by the assembly to clear up all work by Saturday night, and have the formal adjournment Monday. The senate spent some time discussing a committee bill to make the public school fund \$225,000 instead of \$200,000, and the pension fund \$450,000 instead of \$400,000. An amendment by Senator Means, making the pension fund \$500,000 was adopted, and the bill passed second reading, and was forced over on objection to the final reading. Electric Headlights. The senate had another contest over the electric headlight bill, Senator Dockery succeeded in getting his original bill in as an amendment for the Bassett substitute that passed its second reading yesterday, referring the whole matter to the corporation commission. Dockery's bill requires all engines except on roads of less than 125, independently owned, to use the electric light and install one-fourth each year until 1913. The bill passed the senate in this shape.

EXIT OF TEDDY REJOICES ALL POLITICIANS

Democrats and Republicans Welcome Change From Strenuous One. HAS NO FRIENDS LEFT IN CONGRESS Taft Expected to Do Great Things For Benefit of the South

BY TAV. (Special Correspondent of The Citizen) WASHINGTON, March 3.—"Here's to William H. Taft. May his administration be a successful and happy one." This will be the most popular toast in Washington tomorrow, and many broad-minded, big-hearted democrats have given it with as much sincerity and enthusiasm as the republicans. Judge Taft will enter office with as many hearty and genuine well-wishes from the leading members of the opposing party as any republican president ever did. His policies are not what the democrats prefer, or what they believe would be best for the welfare of the nation. But he is to be the president of the United States, and in starting out on his four-year journey he has the good will of the leaders of the party that fought his election. Friendly to South. "Judge Taft has my well wishes," said Champ Clark, leader of the minority today, expressing the opinion of most of his colleagues on the democratic side. "He is facing several severe problems, and I hope, with all sincerity, he will make no move that will work a hardship on the people."

DEFENDS HOMESTEAD BILL

The house passed the bill establishing the state board of optometry, requiring license to fit eyeglasses, but exempting local dealers; defeated the bill to amend the constitution as to homestead exemptions, and the bill to allow married women to trade as if single. It passed the senate general education bill, and balked on the senate oil inspection bill by referring it to the finance committee, which had reported adversely on a similar bill a few days ago. The general appropriations bill, carrying \$1,035,100 was introduced in house today from joint appropriations committee through Representative Gordon, this being about the most important bill yet to be considered by both branches. Senator Britt introduced today a bill to allow witnesses attending the Asheville police court fifty cents per day. It passed reading tonight. Also a bill to amend the compulsory school law of Asheville. Senate—Forty-Seventh Day. The senate re-assembled at 8 o'clock at night. Bills were put through final reading as follows: To pay jurors in Swain, Ashe and Jackson counties. Allow each judge of the supreme court \$400 for stenographer. Substitute for house bill to authorize the payment of deposits in trust under certain circumstances. Amend 484 revision as to filing replies. Incorporate the Laurinburg and Southern Railroad company. Amend section 4, chapter 967, laws of 1907, relative to oysters. Amend 1957, revision, regulating the challenge of tales jurors to service on jury within one year, instead of two, exempt from service. The Peelle bill to repeal the 1907 immigration act, chapter 924, laws of 1907, came up as a special order. The bill on its second reading passed by a vote of 33 to 5. Senator Empe objected to the third reading. The rules were suspended on motion of Senator Peelle and the bill put through without division. Incorporate the bonding and guarantee corporation. Change the boundary lines of Montreat special school district, Buncombe county. For the more severe punishment of safe crackers. House—Forty-Seventh Day. Passed third reading: The house concurred in the senate amendment to the bill defining the boundaries of Barnardsville special school tax district in Buncombe county.

NEW G. O. P. CHAIRMAN.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Former Governor John F. Hill, of Maine, a member of the republican national committee from that state, has been named as acting chairman of the committee by Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock.

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