

**PENSION RAIDS.**

Although congress has been in session less than thirty days, already over 100 pension bills have been introduced, which if all become law would probably double the already mammoth cost of federal pensions.

The Philadelphia Ledger gives the following summary of the more important pension bills already introduced:

"By Senator Cullom, one to pension deserters, and another to give \$30 per month to all veterans over 70 years old (or their widows) who served 90 days in the war of the rebellion; by Representative Gibson, to pay \$12 a month to teamsters injured while employed in the Union army, to pay to Union soldiers or sailors confined in rebel prisoners \$2 per day for each day of imprisonment and \$12 a month for life, to pay \$50 a month to helpless soldiers or sailors, partly blind or with loss of hands or feet, whether their injuries were received in the war or since, to restore to the rolls soldiers dropped because of their enlistment for Spanish war; by Representative Fitzgerald, to give \$12 per month to survivors of the war who have reached the age of 60 years; by Representative Graham, providing a monthly payment of 1 cent per day for each day in the service, in addition to any pension the individual may now be receiving; by Representative Berry, to give all widows and survivors of the Mexican and Indian wars \$12 per month; by Representative Cochran, to give all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors a service pension of \$6 per month, to give all disabled and totally dependent veterans 70 years of age \$15 per month, to give disabled veterans 70 years old \$35 per month, and 75 years old \$45 per month; by Representative Grosvenor, to grant a pensionable status to 516 commissioners and surgeons of enrolling boards, to define the limit of income for a widow which would bar her from receiving a pension at \$300 per month, to restore all back pensions to persons temporarily dropped from the rolls; by Representative DeVries, to pay veterans of the Mexican War who served in the civil war \$24 per month.

The pension attorneys are doing a flourishing business. They have already secured 25,000 applicants for pensions from soldiers enrolled for the Spanish and Filipino wars.

Republican congresses are notorious for adding pensioners by the wholesale and for passing all sorts of laws for raiding the treasury and adding to the burden of the poor tax payers.

Unless the Republican party is overthrown they will make the burden so heavy upon ordinary citizens, in order to pay for pensions, subsidies, unnecessary wars, etc., that it will be insufferable. It is already nearly so.

Down with the Republican party!

It is claimed by Americans living in Manila that a hemp trust has been formed by capitalists there and that military authorities are playing into its hands. It is also claimed by returned soldiers from the Philippines that Gen. Otis is richer by about two million dollars than when he first set foot on the islands. These may be among the reasons for not bringing this war to a speedy termination, says the Durham Herald.

**The Unknown Hero.**

La Gesta published in Guatemala, part in English and part in Spanish, contains a prominent place the following:

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