

Pencil Pushers Presented to Uncle Joe and Editor Hearst

Visit to the White House Cut Out--The Visitors Take Turns in the Speaker's Chair--Day Spent in Sight-seeing

BY THOMAS J. PENCE Washington, Dec. 4.--Special.--The members of the Press Association gave the last day of their stay in Washington to sight-seeing, being guests of the North Carolina delegation in congress...

The gift of Mr. Hearst. There were some forty ladies in the party and each received a half dozen roses.

The introduction to Mr. Hearst was one of the most pleasant features of the day, and when the association met later in the afternoon the following resolution was adopted: "Appreciating the pleasure it gives us, both individually and as an association, to meet Hon. William R. Hearst, editor and proprietor of the New York American and Journal, and having shown his gallantry to the womanhood of North Carolina in presenting each lady attendant upon the association with a handsome bouquet of American beauty roses, and recognizing his gallant fight for American manhood as well, most heartily resolved that the thanks of this association be tendered Mr. Hearst by a rising vote."

North Carolina cut a wide swath at both ends of the Capitol today. While Speaker Cannon was wearing a patriotic North Carolina emblem, over at the other end of the building a Tar Heel invoked the divine blessing. Rev. H. M. Blair, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, had the honor of offering prayer in the Senate. He was also the guest of President Protem Frye in the vice-president's room before the Senate convened.

Changes were furnished the party by the congressional delegation in which they made the trip about the city, under the escort of Representatives Klutz and Page. An early start was made from the hotel, the treasury being the first objective point. There they saw Uncle Sam's great pile of money, the very sight of which, Dr. Womble declared, made him sad. A trip across the hall to the bureau of printing and engraving was next made, where the process of making the yellows and the greens was witnessed. Visits were also made to the national museum, the supreme court and the library.

The only point of interest overlooked was the White House, which later in the evening was visited by a few of the editors. Representative Klutz escorted this party, and he obtained permission from Secretary Loeb to go through the White House, though it was after visiting hours. As one member remarked, the visit was made through curiosity and not by reason of any desire to meet the president. In fact a number of editors were enthusiastic in ascribing that they would be presented to Mr. Roosevelt, and consequently the morning trip to the White House, announced in the morning papers as being on the program, did not take place.

Asked about this incident, President Varner said: "I do not think there was any desire on the part of the members of the party to call on the president and pay their respects. In fact only one member suggested such a thing, though some of us might have called out of curiosity. I for one was opposed to this feature of the program when suggested."

At the farewell business meeting of the association this afternoon it was decided unanimously to hold the next meeting in St. Louis. A letter from the exposition authorities inviting the association to meet there next May, when the national association will be in session, was read by President Varner. It is desired to have all the state editorial association meet there at one time. The letter was accepted, but the date of the visit was left to the executive committee.

A resolution was adopted thanking the railroads, newspapers, correspondents, members of congress and others for courtesies extended during the visit here. The initiation fee into the association was raised to \$5.

Many of the editors returned home tonight, while a few went to Baltimore. There is a good representation still in the city, a number of whom will remain over until Sunday. The visitors have a great time, and they declare that the trip must be repeated. (Continued on sixth page.)

STEALING WATER Sugar Refinery Helped Itself on a Magnificent Scale

New York, Dec. 4.--The Brooklyn grand jury, which investigated the charge that the American Sugar Refining Company has been obtaining large quantities of water from the Brooklyn mains without payment, recommended today that a claim of \$25,000 for unmetered water to July 19, 1903, be urged.

In July it was discovered by water commissioner, it is alleged, that the American Sugar Refining Company refining in Brooklyn has been obtaining water from the mains through several unmetered connections of which the water department had no knowledge.

Retired Statesman Dead Washington, Dec. 4.--Former Representative Wm. M. Springer of Illinois, a Democratic leader conspicuous in the House of Representatives from the Forty-fourth to Fifty-third congress, inclusive, and once chairman of the ways and means committee of the House, died at his home in this city, 430 B street, East, this morning, aged sixty-seven years. His death was due to pneumonia contracted in Chicago

Thanksgiving day. He was attending a dinner there and was suddenly taken with a violent chill. He left Chicago the following day and arrived here last Saturday afternoon very ill.

Corean Minister Executed Berlin, Dec. 4.--A dispatch from St. Petersburg says that the minister of war of Corea has been executed at Seoul. No details are given.

SHORT SESSIONS Nothing but Routine Business in Congress Yesterday

Washington, Dec. 4.--The Senate was in session today only from noon until 12.35 and, on motion of Mr. Allison, adjourned until tomorrow. The business transacted was purely of a routine character. It had been considered probable that a resolution for the adjournment of the extra session of congress would be brought in, but none was offered, and a session was provided for tomorrow, with the hope that an adjournment agreement may be reached by that time.

The House of Representatives was in session but five minutes. Mr. Hunter of Kentucky and Mr. Nevin of Ohio were sworn in as members. At 12.05 the House adjourned until tomorrow.

CONTINUED HEAVY TRADING IN COTTON

Speculators Still Discussing the Government's Report of the Crop

New York, Dec. 4.--Today proved another very big day of trading on the New York cotton exchange, though the total of the sales was less than Thursday when the announcement of the short crop report of the department of agriculture sent prices booming. The sales were estimated at 1,700,000 bales against Thursday's total of 2,000,000 bales. New high record figures for the season were reached by the various monthly deliveries, with March, the most active month, touching 12.73 cents, closing at 12.60. The response, prior to the local opening of the cotton market in Liverpool, to the showing of the government crop report was very bullish, and when the local market started there was a turbulent scene. Buying orders came in big blocks of 1,000 bales and upwards, and there was further squaring of the bears.

In the last few days the bears have received one of the worst drubbings in the history of the cotton exchange. Their losses are figured to have been

A New View of the Deadlock in Congress

Recess Appointments Will Fall to the Ground Unless an Adjournment Is Taken Before Noon Monday

Washington, Dec. 4.--By an unusual sequence of events, the fortunes of Gen. Leonard Wood and 157 other army officers are, to a certain extent, involved in the deadlock between the Senate and House over the question of adjourning the extra session of congress. The fact that General Wood must doff his major general's uniform and resume that of a brigadier general unless congress adjourns sine die some time before noon next Monday may cause the president to change his attitude in supporting Speaker Cannon and the House in their firm resistance of the attempt to adjourn. It is said to be a possibility that the president may advise his friends in the House to take a new tack and adopt a resolution to adjourn tomorrow or at some hour Monday morning, in order to permit him to send in his recess appointments again.

The Senate is willing that there should be a recess between the two sessions. It adjourned today until tomorrow for the purpose of giving the House an opportunity to pass and send over a concurrent resolution providing for adjournment. If the House should, in order to save General Wood the humiliation of returning to his lower grade, adopt a resolution to adjourn, the Senate would readily concur. But from all that can be learned of the temper of the House nothing will cause it to waver in its determination to carry the extra session to noon Monday. Speaker Cannon is as firm as a rock and has the House with him. If the House should change its mind between now and Monday noon and consider a resolution to adjourn, its purpose might be brought to naught by a point of order of no quorum. It is doubtful if there is a quorum of representatives in Washington, and a quorum

enormous, while the profits of the bulls have been equally great.

Spot cotton during the day was marked up 20 points with middling uplands quoted 12.65 cents a pound. Discussion continued active regarding the government showing of a crop of only 9,962,053 bales. Theodore H. Price, who bailed cotton several months under ten cents a pound, and who then turned bear on the market, came out with this statement: "So far as the government estimate of the cotton crop is concerned I do not regard it as conclusive. For thirty-three years it has averaged 8.4 per cent under the actual crop. In 1901-02 the government estimate was 9,574,000 bales, while actual returns were 10,811,000. Advice from the south say good weather had added largely to the yield. I believe the crop will be considerably in excess of the world's requirements."

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One Boat in Port and One High on the Beach

The Adder Pulled Into Hampton Roads After a Struggle With Wind and Water. The Moccasin Stranded at Currituck Inlet

Portsmouth, Va., Dec. 4.--The submarine torpedo boat Adder, one of the two sister ships of this type which were in peril off the Carolina coast yesterday, has arrived at the navy yard in this city in tow of the tug Peoria, which was conveying the two boats to Annapolis. She is apparently in good condition, although some repairs may have to be made. The Peoria has had a hard time saving the boats. She struggled hard almost all of last night through the heavy sea that was pounding the coast. The low lying submarine boat was a heavy drag on the powerful tug, and it seemed most of the time that she must break adrift and follow the Moccasin ashore.

The latter vessel stranded soon after the Yankton, dispatched from this yard to assist her, was compelled by storm and darkness and the proximity of the dangerous Carolina coast to abandon her. The Yankton is still in the vicinity of the stranded submarine, and will try to pull her off the beach if she was not pounded into a leaky condition by the heavy seas last night.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 4.--Weather Observer Drinkwater at Currituck Inlet has just telegraphed that the submarine torpedo boat ashore there is the Moccasin, which he boarded and found in good condition. The observer says the whole craft will be dry on the beach by low water this afternoon. The Yankton, which proceeded south this morning, is now off the coast, but can do nothing toward floating the Moccasin. Just what course will be pursued in getting the submarine boat off the beach will have to be determined at Washington.

Washington, Dec. 4.--Rear Admiral Wise, commanding the Atlantic coast training squadron, telegraphed the navy department from Hampton Roads this morning: "Peoria arrived with Adder. Moccasin adrift on coast south of Cape Henry. All crew saved. Reports very heavy sea. Yankton gone to hunt for Moccasin."

Subsequently a telegram was received from Rear Admiral Harrington, commandant of the navy yard at Norfolk, saying: "Moccasin on beach five miles south of Currituck life saving station, about one hundred yards out. No lives lost. Yankton has gone there. Weather now moderate."

San Domingo the Scene of Three Revolutions at Once

The Lately Deposed President Willing for an American Protectorate as the Price of Reinstatement in His Office

Washington, Dec. 4.--The appearance in Washington of Senor Galvan, minister of finance of the defunct Wos Y. Gil administration of San Domingo, has led to a revival of the report that Wos Y. Gil is trying to secure reinstatement with the assistance of the United States, undertaking in return to allow the United States to assume a full protectorate over the island of San Domingo.

It may now be stated, however, that the state department entertains absolutely no thought of establishing a protectorate over San Domingo or of annexing it. It is declared positively that American interference in the island's affairs will be limited to the protection of American interests there and, while the frequent revolutions in the little republic are very much deplored by the administration here, the Washington government will not meddle with the present conditions of San Domingo, but will simply see to it that existing engagements as to arbitrations and concessions to Americans are observed and that American trade is not improperly obstructed.

It is learned from trustworthy sources that Wos Y. Gil, the deposed president, is on his way to the United States and is expected to land at New Orleans today or tomorrow. He will come to Washington and will see Senor Galvan, who expects to be in Washington again within the next ten days. Advice reach Washington that there are now three revolutions in San Domingo--the revolution led by Morales, a revolution at Monte Cristi, led by the followers of Jimenez, and a third and stronger revolution in the south of the island. It appears that Morales has secured control by misrepresenting to the Dominicans that the United States intends to annex the island. It is also said that Morales has received many

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COUNTERFEITERS CAUGHT IN THE ACT

A Big Gang Arrested and Complete Bogus Money Outfit Captured

Boston, Dec. 4.--United States secret service officers today nipped a big counterfeiting scheme in the bud, arresting not only the men who were doing the actual work of engraving bank notes, but the men who are believed to have been the backers of the business. Ten arrests were made in all, seven in New York and three here. Among the latter was John Davis, alias Philip Swartz, who is considered by the federal officers as the most expert engraver in this or any other country and who counterfeited the bank of England notes several years ago as well as Russian documentary stamps and American Express Company money orders abroad. The men arrested in New York were B. Farber, Jacob Farber, Harry Stern, Mathias Stern, Morris Holbein, Morris Benberger and a man employed by Stern, name not known here. Besides Davis, the officers arrested here Joseph Boumenblitt and Moses Lovak, alias H. Frankel.

The counterfeiting plant was found in a house in Prospect avenue, a very select neighborhood. Lovak was captured in the street while Davis and Boumenblitt were busy in the workshop. Negatives of bank notes were found in a chemical solution. The prisoners were brought here and locked up. Tomorrow they will be arraigned before the federal court.

The officers found a complete counterfeiting plant in the house, but no bank notes. The property seized was worth about \$2,000, so the officer said. Since last August the secret service men have been working on the case, and today Chief Wilkie notified them to very his day. According to the secret service men the gang has been getting out counterfeit \$20 gold certificates bearing the Garfield head, \$10 silver notes bearing the buffalo head, \$5 silver notes bearing the Indian head, and counterfeit notes on the Cape Cod, Waitham, Lynn and New Bedford National banks and the Fourth National Bank of this city. The entire state, and part of New Hampshire have been flooded with the notes.

Rope Let Miners Fall

Lige, Belgium, Dec. 4.--Eleven coal miners were killed today through the breaking of the rope by which a cage was being hauled up. The men were precipitated to the bottom of the pit, and their bodies were horribly mangled.

Tax on Trading Stamps

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 4.--Special.--At the request of the local merchants' association the Winston side-men have imposed a special license tax of \$2,000 upon the trading stamp company for the purpose of preventing it from doing business here. The company is now operating in several towns in the state and is arranging to open a store here.

Making a Big Dock

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 4.--Special. The Seaboard Air Line Railway at this point is now constructing a dock of about 45,000 square feet in surface at the juncture of McCoy's creek and St. John's River. It being the open space which has long been covered with water hyacinths, so common in Florida waters. The new docks, with an additional track to reach it, will add material space facilities to the handling of lumber to the yard from Jacksonville. The work is being done by Messrs. Boykin & Burwell, contractors, under the supervision of the civil engineering department of the road.

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