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DR. SAUNDERS WAS CHEERED AS SHE DEFENDED HERSELF

Dramatic Recital of Wrongs She Has Suffered

NONE DESIRE TO CROSS EXAMINE

Head of The White Woman's Department at the State Hospital for Insane Defends Herself

Special Correspondence.
Columbia, Feb. 19.—When Dr. Eleanor B. Saunders completed what was considered the most brilliant testimony ever given by a witness in this state, the chairman of the committee, Senator J. Macdonald, asked if any of the members wanted to cross-examine her. The members did not ask one question. She was cheered time and time again by the audience.

In beginning her statement, Dr. Saunders said that she had had no idea that Governor Blewett had written Dr. Babcock any letters. She had thought of the matter until quite late the night before the inquiry by the board of regents in December, and she had thought of it all night. Continuing her testimony, she said: "We went down to the room the next morning. I had read Governor Blewett's letter just before I went into the room and I thought they were most unjust. Then we went into the meeting, and of course the harrowing circumstances you already know. Of course I remember quite a little of it, but certain remarks and the reading of those letters of course burned into my mind. I remember that I considered the letter of Dr. Griffith and the letters of Governor Blewett as slanders.

"I tried vainly to show them that day that what I had done was for the hospital's good, and if they had not objected previously and had not given me warning that it was rather unfair then not to give me a chance to have even an honorable discharge. I insisted to them that day that I was not insisting on the retention of the position, that I simply wanted a clearing of the imputation of even any imputation of wrong doing, morally or professionally, on my part."

Dr. Eleanor B. Saunders, the young woman physician at the state hospital for the insane today spoke to the special legislative committee that is investigating the charges in connection with the asylum. She was on the stand for nearly two hours and in that time demonstrated that she is one of the most important parts of the state's institution for the care of the unfortunate.

When she was making her dramatic list of the slanders that had been heaped against her by the men physicians and the governor of South Carolina in connection with the asylum, tears came to her eyes for a minute, but she quickly regained her composure and proceeded ably to defend her position at every point.

She won the admiration of every one of the ladies present, and she concluded and even before when she would make telling points in her defense, the crowd cheered her.

Time and again Dr. Saunders reiterated the statement that she was not fighting for her position but for the reputation of her character. Dr. Saunders cleared up every charge that has been heaped against her and showed that she has never interfered with any department except for the good of the department. The hearing will be concluded Friday.

FILIBUSTER ON MILEAGE BILL

Senate Thursday Not Engaged in a Lengthy Parley

Voss

Special Correspondence.
Columbia, Feb. 19.—Another long developing session of the Senate was Thursday night on the question of passing the two-cent passenger rate bill which had been resurrected from the railroad committee after strenuous efforts.

Several of the senators took a deep breath and spoke at length on the two-cent rate bill. The session did not advance the status of the rate bill but some of the senators' long capacity ought to be 50 per cent greater.

EFFICIENT BUT NOT COMPLICATED

President Wants Bills Dealing With Trust Problem So Phrased

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Feb. 19.—Congressional efficiency is on the wane and the "whole system of doing the people's business is breaking down" under the constantly growing demands upon it, Senator Root warned the Senate today in an arraignment of the results of the committee system. Drastic revision of legislative methods in both Senate and House, he declared, must soon be undertaken or Congress would find itself hopelessly swamped.

Half a dozen members agreed with Senator Root. Senator Smith of Arizona, said it was folly to put Senators on half a dozen committees and expect them to attend the meetings of each. He had repeatedly been called from one committee, he said, to make a quorum in another. Senator Clapp said the size of committees and the tendency to gratify the ambitions of Senators by giving them committee assignments they desired without regard of the efficiency of the committee was the root of the trouble.

An attempt on Senators Smith and Smoot to take from the mines committee a bill dealing with the leasing of Alaska coal lands and refer it to the committee on public lands, of which both are members, precipitated the debate. Chairman Walsh of the mines committee, opposed the motion, which will be disposed of tomorrow. He said a bill on this subject would be reported by the mines committee next week if his committee were left in charge of the measure.

Senator Chamberlain, a member of the public lands committee and chairman of the Alaska committee, urged that the Alaska committee be permitted to continue its work. His action on this and several bills which are to follow was necessary, he said, to knock down the last barrier to Alaskan development.

TWO-CENT RAILROAD RATE IS CONSIDERED

Morning Session of Senate Taken Up With This and Other Minor Bills

(By Associated Press)
Columbia, Feb. 19.—The morning session of the Senate was consumed with disposing of a number of unimportant bills and with a prolonged debate on the two-cent railroad rate. The debate developed nothing new. The railroad committee offered a substitute to provide for the five hundred mile family mileage book and the 1,000 miles interchangeable.

The Sharp resolution to compel the Columbia Railway, Gas and Electric Company to complete the Columbia canal went to a third reading. Senator Weston objected but later consented to allow the bill to go forward with notice of general amendment and with the understanding that it be not taken up in his absence. Senator Sharp offered an amendment providing for a deviation from the original plan and for an opening from the canal into the river near the government dam.

MEETING RAILROAD DIRECTORS

(By Associated Press)
New York, Feb. 19.—Directors of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company at their monthly meeting today took no formal action on the tentative plan for the separation of the Boston and Maine railroad, reported to have been drawn up in Washington. The road's special counsel and Chairman Howard Elliott are to continue their negotiations with Attorney General Murray along the lines already planned.

The personal and the Boston and Maine trusteeship has not yet been determined, but something definite in this connection is expected next week when further conferences will be held in Washington.

HEARSE CATCHES FIRE

(By Associated Press)
New York, Feb. 19.—The state funeral of an automobile dealer consisting of a hearse and a limousine, started a crowd of 200 persons on Broadway this afternoon.

TRADE BOARDS CONTROL PRICES

Congressional Investigation Into Operations Is Proposed

COST OF LIVING SHOULD DECREASE

Farmers Receive Less for Grain While Consumer is Charged Practically Same Price As Before

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Feb. 19.—Congressional inquiry into the operation of the Chicago and Duluth boards of trade and the Minneapolis chamber of commerce to determine their influence over wheat and flour prices over the country was proposed in a resolution introduced by Representative Manahan of Minnesota. The resolution was referred to the rules committee and Mr. Manahan announced his intention of pressing for a hearing before that committee at the earliest possible date.

"The cost of living has not corresponded to the general reduction in tariff rates," declared the preamble to the resolution, and does not correspond to the steadily falling prices received by farmers for their products. The world's demand for wheat and the consumption thereof so closely balances its production from year to year that there is not legitimate occasion for the violent fluctuations in the price of that necessity."

The constantly changing price to the farmer, and the continued high price to the consumer, it was asserted, are due to the manipulations of the boards of trade and the chamber of commerce, and to the operations of the grain elevator companies. Each of these is charged with a responsibility of controlling the price of wheat. It is generally charged and believed that the business of the Chicago board of trade and its operations are controlled by a few large operators, particularly Armour, Peavy, J. Rosenbaum, J. C. Shaffer & Co., Bartlett, Fraser & Co., who not only conduct the board of trade as an exchange, but who, in conjunction with the leading members of the Minneapolis chamber of commerce are controlling most of the terminal elevators of both cities, exercise and have an unreasonable and unlawful control over the prices paid for wheat in these great terminal markets, and therefore, in the whole country, and unduly control and restrain the movement, purchase and sale of wheat to suit their speculative purposes."

The resolution would provide for the appointment of a committee of seven members of the house with full legislative powers and with specific directions to investigate all of the transactions of the three organizations and the make-up of the membership of each.

SEPTUS LODGE MEETS

The septus lodge of Knights of Pythias will meet at Lebanon school house Saturday night at the usual hour.

BIG DAMAGE DONE BY RAIN

Two Lives, While Property Damage Will Reach \$1,000,000

(By Associated Press)
Los Angeles, Calif., Feb. 19.—Two lives were claimed and damage estimated at from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 wrought by the storm which fell on the region during the last two days. At several points near Los Angeles, a precipitation of from six to eight inches was recorded between Monday Tuesday and a check today. The orange growing region and the railroads suffered most. Lines entering Los Angeles were compelled to route all trains over a branch line. Santa Barbara and towns in the foothill region are still out of, although they were expected to maintain rail route communication.

The weather bureau predicts more rain tonight and tomorrow, but the forecasters say the worst is over.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE PARTY

(By Associated Press)
Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 19.—State-wide action in the matter of furthering the cause of woman's suffrage is given as the purpose of the woman's suffrage party of Georgia, in articles of incorporation granted by today to the organization.

The party will be affiliated with the national woman's suffrage association.

ROW IN SENATE OVER TREATIES

Root and O'Gorman Had Clash Over Carnegie Endowment

PRES. WILSON GIVES VIEWS

And It Now Seems That The Government Is In Fair Way to get Straight

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Feb. 19.—Extension of general arbitration treaties with foreign nations as the first move in the general policy of the administration to rehabilitate foreign relations of the United States, which seemed assured after the Senate had taken consideration of expired treaties and had closely defined issues involved in the situation concerning the nation. Before the debate in the Senate began on treaties with Great Britain, Japan, Italy, Spain, Norway, Sweden, Portugal and Switzerland, President Wilson had conferred with senators and representatives about the treaties as well as the paramount issue of the Panama canal tolls. He was assured that the leaders of both houses would vote to repeal the toll exemption for American shippers after the treaties had been ratified.

During his conference, the President explained that the United States has violated the Hay-Panama canal treaty by the exemption clause in the Panama Canal act. He said, no official representative to that effect had been presented to that effect. There has been an attempt to Great Britain to demand that the United States pay tolls on the canal.

Senator Root, taking the return of his colleague, as a personal offense, resented them in vigorous language and precipitated a long discussion.

TRAIN ROBBERS GOT \$40,000

(By Associated Press)
Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 19.—Queen & Crescent passenger train No. 1, Cincinnati to New Orleans, tonight was held up by three masked men near Trussville, Ala., fourteen miles from here. The robbers forced the engine to stop and forced the passengers to get out of the engine and express cars from the remainder of the train and then proceed south. The robbers secured four sacks of registered mail said to have contained \$40,000.

PELLAGRA HOSPITAL BILL NOW BE-FORE LOWER HOUSE

(By Associated Press)
Columbia, S. C., Feb. 19.—The Sullivan bill, providing for the establishment of a pellagra hospital and a commission to study the disease in this state, which was passed by the Senate last night, was introduced in the House today. It was referred to the medical committee.

"BLACK HUNDRED" SOCIETY WORKING

Striving Hard to Prevent "Ritual Murder" Against the Jews

(By Associated Press)
St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—The "Black Hundred" society is continuing its campaign against the Jews of Kiev in spite of the fact that its allegation of "ritual murder" against the Jewish tailor Pansky has been disproved.

A Kiev newspaper supporting the "Black Hundred," published today an article throwing further suspicion on the Jews, saying: "The American 'Black Hand' is making our children tremble."

COL. GOETHALS NON-COMMITAL

Will Not Discuss Question of Accepting Police Head

BLUNT INQUIRIES NOT ANSWERED

Off to Washington on Matters of Great and Minor Importance Concerning the Canal Zone

(By Associated Press)
New York, Feb. 19.—Col. George W. Goethals, builder of the Panama Canal, today arrived here on board the steamer Metapan from Colon, made non-committal answers to questions about a letter taken to him from Mayor John Parroy Mitchell that left the question of his acceptance of the New York police commissionership more uncertain than ever and announced his intention of taking the first train to Washington.

Blunt questions and ingeniously devised queries about the police commissionership alike brought the invariable answer: "I have nothing to say on the subject of the police commissionership."

"When your term as governor of the canal zone expires, will you then consider the police commissionership?" he was asked. "I really don't know," answered the Colonel.

The first person to greet Col. Goethals was Robert S. Binger, secretary of the City Club, with a letter from Mayor Mitchell. The Colonel was silent about its contents of the letter. He said he did not expect to see Mayor Mitchell.

ON TRIAL FOR MURDER OF WIFE

(By Associated Press)
Chicago, Feb. 19.—William Cheney Ellis, Cincinnati leather merchant, who shot and stabbed his wife to death in a hotel last October, today was placed on trial. Ellis stated he has been ruined financially since the tragedy. He will plead emotional insanity, according to his counsel. His wife's body was found in a suitcase in the trunk of a car.

AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION

Bill to Be Reported Today to House of Representatives

Carries \$18,947,000

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Feb. 19.—Chairman Loper of the House committee on agriculture, today completed and tomorrow will report to the House the annual agricultural appropriation bill. It aggregates \$18,947,000, including permanent appropriations, an increase of \$960,000 over last year's total.

The bill is accompanied by the most comprehensive report ever submitted by the committee. Many radical changes are proposed, including reorganization of the weather bureau and preparation by the secretary of agriculture of a plan for reorganizing and systematizing department work.

ROUND-THE-WORLD RACE

(By Associated Press)
New York, Feb. 19.—Support of the International Aeronautical Federation and of the Royal Aero Club of Great Britain is assured to the proposed round-the-world Panama-Pacific airship race from San Francisco next year, if the Aero Club of America sanctions the flight, according to an announcement today by the Aero Club. Letters promising no opposition have been received from the Federation and the Royal Aero Club, says the American body's statement.

UNDER WEEPING, SODDEN SKIES SEN. JACON IS LAID TO REST

NEGROES IN MILLS HAVE MENIAL WORK

No Other Employment Will be Permitted Them Hereafter

Special Correspondence.

Columbia, Feb. 18.—The Walker bill requiring the separation of the races working in cotton mills in the State was passed to third reading, after being amended to the satisfaction of all parties. In the form in which it was passed the bill will prohibit the employment of negroes to perform menial tasks in cotton mills, except such as white people would not accept.

All House bills reported unanimously unfavorably by committees were stricken off the calendar by the House.

The House accepted an invitation to attend the last meeting of the Lutheran Laymen's Missionary Convention in the Columbia theatre and put through local and uncontented matters instead of waiting at night. The resolution introduced by Mr. DeLaughter of Edgefield, appropriating \$400 for the creation of a monument over the grave of McKee Merrivether of Edgefield, who was killed in the Hamburg riot, passed the House unanimously. McKee Merrivether gave his life in the struggle to redeem South Carolina from radical rule in 1876.

SULZER HELD LIABLE FOR MANY ACCOUNTS

(By Associated Press)
Albany, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Sulzer's liability rendered by Ralph B. Conklin, employed as a bookkeeper at the executive mansion during the recent impeachment proceeding, William Sulzer is held liable for many accounts he contracted during the proceedings.

RAILROADS ORDERED TO ACCEPT MILEAGE

Mileage Coupons Any Member of Family of the Purchaser Must Be Accepted

(By Associated Press)
Columbia, Feb. 19.—The railroad commission tonight issued an order effective within thirty days requiring railroad companies to accept mileage coupons from any member of the family of the purchaser, provided the purchaser at the time of buying his mileage stated in writing who constituted the members of his family.

The order followed the complaint of Senator Earle of Greenville, made in writing in January charging that the railroads were violating the law in honoring the mileage for families of purchasers and in holding that the mileage could be used only by the one buying it. A hearing on the complaint was held before the railroad commission this afternoon. Senator Earle making his complaint and reading the statute law on the subject. Mr. F. H. Hardwick of Washington, traffic manager of the southern railway, represented the railroads and claimed that the custom prevailing was in accordance with the agreement reached with Gov. Ansel in 1909, and recognized by former railroad commissions as the law. Assistant Attorney General Dominick represented the State.

The order for railroads to honor mileage books not only for the purchaser but for any member of his family was promulgated following the meeting. Chairman Richards and Commissioner Hampton voting for the order and Commissioner Coughman refraining from voting. The order is to go into effect in thirty days on March 18.

MAXIMO CASTILLO, BANDIT, IMPRISONED AT FT. BLISS

(By Associated Press)
El Paso, Texas, Feb. 19.—Maximo Castillo, the alleged bandit, late today was brought here and imprisoned at Fort Bliss. He was placed in a cell next to that of his former friend, Gen. Jose Salazar. Talking to reporters Castillo said he was guilty of the Cambre River tragedy. Castillo said that fifty of his adherents deserted him some time ago and that they might have been responsible for the disaster. Three men and two women captured with Castillo were taken to the fort and placed in the prison camp.

Probably 300 persons were at the station waiting for the arrival of the prisoners. There was a little excitement when Castillo was taken from the car. United States soldiers marched in front and behind him and made their way through the throng. There was no demonstration.

Tomb Hidden Beneath Great Bank of Flowers

MANY THOUSANDS IN PROCESSION

Other Thousands Stand With Bared Heads During Storm To Pay Respect to Deceased

(By Associated Press)
Macon, Ga., Feb. 19.—Under weeping, sodden skies, the body of Augustus O. Bacon, soldier, statesman, and for seventeen years United States senator from Georgia, today was laid in its grave at Rose Hill cemetery here. Tonight—the new-made tomb was hidden beneath a great bank of flowers, piled high by the loving hands of hundreds of sorrowing friends.

Simplicity marked the burial services. Before the long procession followed the body to the grave, a brief impressive service was said at Christ Episcopal church. At the tomb the coffin was lowered to its last resting place with the rites of Masonry. Every honor that it was in the power of the nation, his native State and his home city to accord to Senator Bacon's memory today marked his funeral.

Thousands of citizens faced the driving rain to march with the funeral cortege while other thousands, standing with heads uncovered, lined the streets through which the procession passed. Senators and representatives who accompanied the body from Washington, Confederate veterans and members of the Grand Army of the Republic, and other representatives from every State organization followed the body to the cemetery and stood silent during the short service.

Among the mourners was Gov. John M. Slaton, who accompanied the funeral train from Atlanta. Tonight the congressional delegation which came from the national capital to attend the funeral returned to Washington. Public schools, all State and city buildings and practically every business house in the city were closed during the funeral service.

FRANCE CONSIDERING CANAL

Paris, Feb. 19.—The ministerial commission representing various states, which is considering requirements of the French merchant marine and the utilization of the Panama canal, today met under the presidency of Maurice Ajam, under secretary of state for the merchant marine.

Secretary Ajam said the principal thing was to learn if France was interested in floating the French flag on the Pacific. It was decided to wait the report of experts and if that committee is favorably impressed, it will invite shipping interests to co-operate.

MILEY BILL IS PASSED BY HOUSE

Provides for a Mild Form of Purging the Democratic Club Rolls

Special Correspondence.
Columbia, Feb. 19.—The opponents of primary election reform made an ineffectual effort this morning to recommit the Miley bill throwing safeguards around primary elections. By a vote of 62 to 43, the House refused to recommit the bill. Had the measure been recommitted that would have been the end of it for this session. Allowing for absences on both sides, the vote indicates that there is a stronger sentiment in favor of the Miley bill today than yesterday. It is possible that if the Governor vetoes the measure after it passes the Senate, the House may override his veto.

The Miley bill provides that the county executive committee shall review the books of primary registration before the election and strike off all names which should not appear thereon. The Miley bill, though, makes the reform of the primary more of a party matter than the dead State bill did. The chief difference between the bill which the House passed yesterday morning and the one it killed Tuesday night is that the bill which went through provides for one supervisor of primary registration in each county to be elected by the county convention, whereas the bill which was killed said that the registration for primary elections should be left in the hands of the secretaries of the