

ORGANIZATION BY DEMOCRATS

Representatives of Party on Rules Committee are Selected—Chairmen of Many Committees Also Named

WASHINGTON, Mar. 6.—The rules committee, one of the most powerful House committees of the sixty-second congress, with Representative Robert L. Henry, Texas, at its head, was formally selected by the new House today.

The following were announced as the seven Democratic members: Robert L. Henry, Texas; Edward W. Pusey, Smith, N. C.; Thomas W. Hardwick, San Jose, Cal.; Augustus O. Stanley, Henderson, Ky.; Eliza J. Garrett, Dresden, Tenn.; Martin D. Foster, Olney, Ill.; and Matthew R. Denver, Wilmington, Ohio.

The committee will consist of eleven members. The four Republican members will be chosen by the Republicans later, with the other Republican members of committees of the new House.

The ways and means committee, which is charged under caucus direction with the function of selecting the committee, is not empowered to name the chairman, but it recommended to the new rules committee that it elect Mr. Henry as chairman, which is tantamount to designation at this time.

The committee will meet tomorrow morning to confer over its preliminary work. There was some discussion over the programme of tariff revision, but the committee is deliberating carefully over that, which is the greatest task set before it. The committee expects to report its programme soon after April 1st.

The Democratic members realize there is considerable difference of opinion among their party associates in the House as to the methods of revising the tariff, some favoring a wholesale bill and others schedule by schedule, in accordance with the views of leaders like Messrs. Clark and Underwood.

There is no conclusion as to whether the schedules are to be tackled to the Canadian reciprocity bill, but the bill itself will carry out the terms of the agreement in good faith.

The committee has not yet passed upon the committee chairmanships beyond those of the ways and means and rules committees, but in any instance, more or less complete assurances of individual members of the ways and means committee have made the chairmanships largely a matter of reconfirmation by the formal action of the committee.

These constitute some of the tentative chairmanships, some of them being fully assured: Ways and means, Underwood, Alabama; public lands, Robinson, Arkansas; naval affairs, Pusey, North Carolina; Indian affairs, Stephens, Texas; agriculture, Lever, South Carolina; or Beall, Texas; rivers and canals, Korbly, Indiana; private land claims, Carter, Oklahoma; Pacific railroads, Slayden, Texas; merchant marine, Clark, Florida; mines and mining, Foster, Illinois; rivers and harbors, Moon, Tennessee, Randall, Louisiana, or Sparkman, Florida.

The new rules committee is almost a complete transformation from the present one.

Prove More Penalties
With an eye to the next national campaign some Democratic members of the new House of Representatives are planning for an onslaught on the Republican attitude toward extending the term of pension expenses. Some of them have already word today of publications which erroneously assumed the enactment of the Sulloway general pension bill, a measure which passed the House in the senate.

Representative Cullip of Indiana announced his intention to reintroduce at the extra session a bill providing for a pension of one dollar a day for every man who served ninety days in the Civil War and was mustered in and mustered out and the same amount for every man who served sixty days in the Mexican War of whom about 500 are said to be living.

Idaho Legislature
BOISE, Idaho, March 6.—The eleventh session of the Idaho legislature adjourned today after having run over the limit four days. It is regarded as a liberal body. It refused to enact a state-wide prohibition law or to substitute a resolution for prohibition by constitutional amendment, notwithstanding the Republican platform promised the latter. A railway commission law, promised by the Republican platform, was also defeated. The direct primary law was amended by eliminating the commission second choice provision, and providing for representative party nominations. There is some prospect of an extra session to reconsider appropriations.

Pioneer Newspaperman Here.
Mr. Grace, of Cranbrook, the editor of the Prospect, a pioneer of journalism in the Kootenay district, is paying his first visit to the capital in the course of twenty years. Mr. Grace is a typical pioneer of his profession. His first paper in the district in which he now resides so potent and so beneficial an influence was written on a typewriter and reproduced on a mimeograph which possesses many special features of his own invention.

Rev. Dr. Spencer, superintendent of the Local Option movement, has gone to California for a new book, and expects to return and inaugurate a vigorous campaign in the interior districts during April.

Seal Conference

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 6.—Russia has accepted an invitation for a conference at Washington in April on the preservation of the North Pacific fauna.

Buyer's Concern
VANCOUVER, March 6.—Lester W. David, the well known lumber manufacturer of British Columbia and Washington state, has taken over the entire plant and property of the B.C. Pulp and Paper Company, situated at Port Mellon, B.C. The consideration was \$250,000. Extensive equipment will be installed for paper-making purposes. Fifty-six thousand acres of timber and on Quatsino Sound will be developed.

New Alignment Needed
HOLYOKE, Mass., Mar. 6.—A realignment of political parties in this country was predicted by Governor Foss in an address before the Holyoke board of trade tonight. This would come, he said, as a result of the failure of the senate to pass the McCall reciprocity bill. "The only thing that the progressive wing of the Republican party can do," he said, "is to join hands with the progressive wing of the Democratic party and secure legislation that will be in the interests of all the people and not of special privileges."

EARLY ELECTION

Good Progress with Preparation of Property Owners' List—Slow Registration

It is certain that the new voters' list will be ready much earlier than was expected and that the new civic election will be held sooner than was contemplated. Mr. H. B. Robertson, who was appointed by the provincial government as commissioner to prepare the list, has had a large staff at work at the registry office preparing the list of property owners and this work has been practically completed—another day or two upon clerical work being all that is required.

The filing of declarations by those desirous of having their names on the list is proceeding very slowly not more than a hundred being received to date. The time for filing expires on the 15th inst. and unless the applications are received much more rapidly than at present the total number of names on this list will be small. Some objection is made against paying the 12 cent tax by those who paid it last October but the city assessor points out that this tax is now due and payable and those paying now will not have to pay it later in the year.

Mr. Robertson is calling for tenders for printing with a guarantee of completion within a specified time. The court of revision will probably be held on Friday, March 24, 1911.

INFLECTS WOUNDS ON POLICEMAN

Lytton Indian Uses Knife on Constable Fitzgerald While Being Arrested—Wounded Man in Serious Condition

LYTTON, B. C., Mar. 6.—Having arrested two Indians here last Saturday night on a charge of drunkenness, Constable Fitzgerald was fixing the handcuffs on one of them, when the other sprang forward and drove a knife into the constable's heart. Another blow severed an artery in Fitzgerald's arm, and the two Indians, seeing him fall, dashed for liberty. The constable dragged himself to a hospital, where a clergyman, Archdeacon Pugh, by putting stitches in the wounds saved the policeman's life. His condition is, however, critical.

SEATTLE ELECTION

Nine Councilmen to be Chosen Today Under New System—"Reform" Government Certain.

SEATTLE, March 6.—An election will be held in Seattle tomorrow to choose nine councilmen from the city at large, in whom will be vested the government of the city, in conjunction with the mayor and other elective officers, in abolishing the election of councilmen from wards and in substituting a small legislative body. Seattle is following the city of Boston and adopting a modified commission form of government. Eighteen candidates' names will be on the ballot tomorrow, and each elector may vote for nine. An elimination primary, held two weeks ago, weeded out the forty candidates who received the smallest vote.

Two members of the "old guard" are being supported vigorously by the element that stood by Gill in the recall election. An effort is being made to line up the women's vote against these men and one other candidate who figured prominently in the council investigation of Chief of Police Wapenstien. As fifteen of the eighteen candidates are friendly to the Mayor Dilling administration, a "reform" government is assured.

A proposition to issue \$300,000 of bonds to buy a certain street car line, extend it to the coast and operate it under municipal ownership, will also be voted on—and the outcome no one can foretell.

Mr. Frank Hales, of Dawson, Y.T., has arrived in the city and is a guest at the Empress Hotel. Mr. Hales has just returned from a trip to Europe after many years absence from his home there. Thirteen years ago he left for the north in the first gold rush and ever since has resided in the Yukon.

FEDERAL FORCE IS AMBUSHED

Troops Under Colonel Escudero Badly Defeated by Followers of Madero in Battle Near Moctezuma

EL PASO, Texas, Mar. 6.—Insurrecto troops who arrived here from the Montezuma district today report that a battle between Madero forces and federal troops under Colonel Escudero took place at Plana de Alamo, fifteen miles west of Moctezuma, three days ago. According to the couriers, Colonel Escudero, who left Casas Grandes some weeks ago to aid in capturing Madero, was ambushed in a deep cañon where the insurrectos and lost more than 250 men killed and wounded before he could extricate his command from the trap. It is said he attempted to retreat toward Casas Grandes, but was blocked by several hundred insurrectos under Colonel Garcia. The couriers say Escudero had no course left save to surrender.

Fight Near Cananea

NACU, Ariz., Mar. 6.—A battle, the result of which is so far unknown, has occurred between the insurrectos and federal troops near Cananea, the big Greene copper mining camp in Mexico. Passengers who arrived on this afternoon's train from Cananea report that wagon loads of federal wounded were being brought into the town when they left.

Federals to Attack Mexicali

MEXICALI, Mar. 6.—Five rebel scouts, one of whom apparently had been wounded, rode back into this insurrecto stronghold tonight with information that a body of federals had entered the valley and would probably attack the town tomorrow.

The report of the scouts caused General Laya, commanding the insurrecto forces, to order all non-combatants out of Mexicali. The women residents and merchants of the town, most of whom are Americans, immediately crossed the boundary to Calexico. The information of the scouts was supplemented by reports from ranchers that a large force of federals had crossed the Colorado mountain passes and was rapidly marching in the direction of Mexicali.

One body of insurrectos was sent southeast two days ago to protect the engineering work now being prosecuted to curb the overflow of the Colorado river. The workmen were being threatened by a band of outlaws who had raided their commissary. At the approach of the insurrectos the bandits disappeared. The insurrectos impressed a train on the Inter-California to take them to and from the site of the American government works. This gave rise to the erroneous report that the insurrectos themselves were threatening the project. While in the vicinity of the Colorado, the rebels scouted about in search of federals, but found no trace of any.

Smelter Short of Ore

EL PASO, Tex., Mar. 6.—General Manager Earle of the El Paso smelter of the American Smelting and Refining Company announces that the plant will shut down within five days on account of inability to get ore from Mexico.

Fights in Tucson

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 6.—Telegrams from Merida and Progresso reached today containing news of the assault upon Peto, in Yucatan, the southern terminus of the United Railroads, on Sunday. The assailants were said to be a small band of natives of the district. They surprised a small number of gendarmes and captured their headquarters, killing the officers. The decision was to rob of arms and ammunition. Tomas, on the eastern division of the railroad, three men were killed, one of whom was the jefe politico, Herrera. Trouble also was reported to have occurred at Saltillo and other nearby towns. Reports of the encounter near Peto in Guerrero are coming in. The first clash was said to have occurred between fifty men of the state troops and several hundred rebels at Huizaco, and to have continued four hours.

The rebels were driven to refuge in a church. A body of rebel horsemen coming on soldiers unloading a case of ammunition from a mule believed they were firing a machine gun and fled. Those in the church also became panic-stricken and fled in confusion. Four soldiers were killed and eleven wounded. The rebels left none of their number behind. It was thought they had retreated toward Chilpancingo, but three automobiles reached Juarez yesterday without having seen them.

U. S. Troops for Frontier

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 6.—Two regiments of infantry, the Thirtieth from the Presidio here under Colonel Charles S. Chubb, and the Eightieth from Monterey, commanded by Colonel Charles Mason, have been ordered to the Mexican border. The troops, comprising twenty-two companies and four platoons of machine guns, are making hasty preparations tonight to leave on special trains tomorrow morning for San Diego.

To Establish Republic

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 6.—The Times will print the following tomorrow morning: The Los Angeles Junta is meeting tonight at No. 138 1/2 East Fourth street to plan the inauguration of a republic in California, and in the dinner upper room of the apartment building used as headquarters have been matured the plans for the establishment of a socialist government.

"We have advanced our movement in Lower California, backed by the Liberals, far ahead of the movement in progress in the other Mexican states," said one of the local leaders yesterday, "and we propose to lead and not be led. We shall go ahead and establish our own independent government, with Mexico as the capital. It will be a much more convenient location than Ensenada, and there will be the headquarters of a movement that we hope will eventually reach out and cover at least the northern half of Mexico."

BRITISH VIEWS ON RECIPROCITY

Tariff Commission Issues Report at Instance of Mr. Chamberlain—Question is Raised in House of Lords

LONDON, March 5.—The tariff commission has issued a voluminous technical report on the Canadian-United States tariff agreement at the request of Joseph Chamberlain. It is a mass of statistics. The Morning Post says that it is the general tendency of the agreement rather than its immediate and direct effects, which gives cause for anxiety. The report concludes by saying that the agreement institutes an entirely new departure in the policy of the British Empire, in as much as one state of the Empire now becomes party to an agreement under which she receives preferential treatment from a foreign country which is not shared by the United Kingdom or other parts of the British Empire. In 1847, the report adds, the United States offered Canada an exclusive arrangement of this character, which was refused by the Canadian ministers on the ground that they could not be a party to any agreement which differentiated against the mother country. In the agreement now proposed, the United States will be levying higher duties upon a number of British products than upon any corresponding Canadian products entering the United States.

Lord Ampthill raised a discussion of American and Canadian reciprocity in the House of Lords this evening by strongly condemning what he termed the inaction of the government, which he declared had forced Canada to abandon her national policy and offer to the United States some of the advantages which she had so freely given to Great Britain. Commercial bonds between the United States and Canada, he thought must also mean political union.

"The astounding situation created," he said, "was that responsible statesmen in a foreign country have spoken openly in their parliament of the future annihilation of a portion of the British dominions without a protest from this country."

Viscount Morley, warmly defended both the government and Ambassador Bryce, saying the criticism of the latter was grossly unjust. "The most responsible statesmen in both America and Canada," said Lord Morley, "have laughed at the talk of annexation."

On the promise that all the papers having to do with the negotiations between Washington and Ottawa should be produced, discussion was dropped.

POLICE BROUGHT TO SPRING HILL

Specials Imported from Cape Breton with Object of Protecting Workers—May Cause Much Trouble

SPRING HILL, N. S., Mar. 6.—Twenty police arrived in Spring Hill yesterday from Cape Breton for the purpose of giving protection to the strikers who want to return to work in the mines. It is said the intention of the company is to place large numbers at work if afforded protection. Whether the police have received commissions to enable them to act legally in Spring Hill is not known. The town authorities are not in favor of the newcomers, and may refuse to recognize them. Manager Sharpe and Howard Conn, who were arrested in connection with last week's riots, were acquitted by the magistrate on Saturday. It is said that the United Mine Workers will formulate other charges against them.

PROGRESSIVE INDIANS

They are expected in Spring Hill this week with the advent of the Cape Breton policeman.

Cap. Matthews' Disappearance

VALLEJO, Cal., March 6.—Efforts to locate Captain Arthur J. Matthews, of the United States Marine Corps, who disappeared on February 8 from the Mare Island Navy Yard, where he was in charge of the prison, have proved unavailing, and his disappearance was mailed today to police officials throughout the United States, with a request for his apprehension. A shortage of about \$3,900 in his accounts is said to have been discovered, part of which sum is declared to have been taken from the government and part from funds entrusted to him by prisoners. While the general opinion of navy yard officials is that Matthews has gone east, there are others who incline to the belief that he has committed suicide.

For Attacking Grand Jury

SEATTLE, March 7.—F. C. Dolg, editor of The Wireless, a one-page sporting publication issued daily and posted in saloons and cigar stands, was arrested today on an indictment returned by the grand jury charging libel. The charge is based upon articles published in Dolg's paper attacking the grand jury. Dolg was released on \$1,500 bail.

Strike Order Delayed

CHICAGO, March 6.—At a meeting today it was decided to hold in abeyance until Wednesday the strike order issued to the building trades of this city. The trouble is over jurisdiction.

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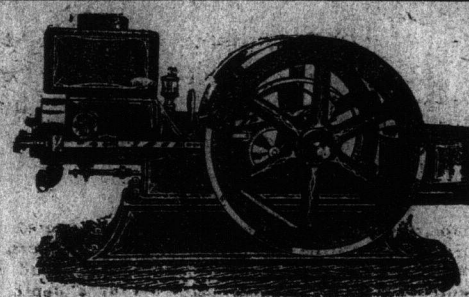
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Portuguese Royalists

VIGO, Spain, March 6.—A newspaper here says the people of Arcos de Valle Doves in the north of Portugal recently revolted against Republican rule. They drove the authorities out of town and hoisted the royal flag in place of that of the republic. "Troops," the paper adds, were despatched from Oporto. They restored order and re-established the authorities. Confirmation of this report is lacking.

Dietz Trial Postponed

HAYWARD, Wis., March 6.—The Dietz murder trial was postponed today till May 2, on account of the illness of Mrs. Dietz. John Dietz, accompanied by Clarence and Leslie, arrived in Hayward this afternoon. The whole team turned out to see them. John Dietz said he wanted no counsel as he was "going to fight this alone." He is charged with having killed Oscar Harp, a special deputy sheriff on October 8, last, when a pitched battle occurred at the Dietz home at Cameron Dam.