

RATE BILL FIGHT NEARING THE END

Roosevelt Looms Up Brighter
as Decks Are Cleared for
Final Action.

Washington, D. C., May 2. — Unless there are some unexpected developments, the rate bill will get through the senate by the end of next week. No formal date for the final vote has been agreed upon, but it was decided in the senate this afternoon to begin voting on the amendments under the fifteen-minute rule next Friday, and continue on that basis until all pending amendments are disposed of.

As the matter now stands, the Hepburn-Deliver bill probably will be amended only to the extent that is satisfactory to the President. He is not vindictive nor opinionated. He wants to secure the largest measure of protection for the interests of shippers without sacrificing the property of railroads. He is endeavoring still, as he has always endeavored, to secure the passage of a law giving the interstate commerce commission the right to fix rates upon complaint and after a proper hearing.

This general principle will surely be enacted into law at this session of Congress. The railroads have ceased to fight the idea itself and will be perfectly willing to compromise on a court-of-review amendment which may result in a delay, but which will not affect the general principle of Governmental regulation of railroad rates.

In determining just how far he will yield on the subject of court review of the action of the interstate commerce commission President Roosevelt has shown himself to be singularly patient and tactful. He never apparently has lost sight of the goal at which he has been aiming, but he has been willing to listen to expert lawyers in the cabinet. In the senate, and in the house of representatives.

He has studied the railroad question probably as carefully as any man in the country. He has listened to railroad officials describe how rates are made. He has received deputations of shippers who have told him how rates should not be made, and he has followed the arguments of great constitutional lawyers like Spooner, Knox, Taft, and Root, but more than all, he has read newspapers and magazines and out of his own good hard sense he has arrived at a general programme which he has not yet modified, and which he believes will not be substantially changed so far as the President can control the course of events.

Having won his fight for the general principle that a government tribunal should have the statutory right to hear complaints against railroad charges and fix the rates which would be fair to carrier and shipper alike, the President has devoted his entire attention of late to the one point of providing for a proper appeal to the courts, so as to protect the property interests of the railroads, but at the same time, so far as such thing can be done by law, to protect the interests of shipper and consumer by preventing delays.

Under what is called a "broad review by the courts," which is what the railroads now are striving for, it would probably be possible to hang up a decision reached by the interstate commerce commission for so long a time that shippers and consumers would become tired of waiting for relief and would be forced to send on their goods at the higher rate. On the other hand, if there is little or no chance for review by the courts, the decision of the interstate commerce commission practically would be final.

In the long run this might result in serious injury to the railroad properties of the country if the commission was made up of incompetent men, or if it was filled with demagogues who were willing to sacrifice great vested interests for the sake of mere popular approval. Both these contingencies are more or less extreme and unlikely. The chances are that in any event the latent power of the interstate commerce commission will be sufficient to force the railroads to treat the public fairly, whether reviewed by the courts be limited or unlimited.

Naturally enough, however, President Roosevelt, who occupies a peculiar position in this fight, desires to see the law which is to be passed made as strong as possible. He is willing there shall be provided specifically a right of appeal to the courts on constitutional questions, so that after the commission has fixed a rate the railroads may go into court to show, if they can, that the rate would be unfair to them and would require them to transport goods at less than cost.

The speed of the electric current in copper wire is 362,500,000 meters a second. The fastest ocean steamer makes only 9.8 meters a second.

For a collection of 554 booklets, mostly by Chippendale, \$100 was given at Sotheby's, London, the other day, when the late J. H. Brown's collection of nearly 20,000 plates was sold for \$2,785.

Whistling, according to some physicians, will do much toward the development of a robust physical frame.

Spring Ailments

Pimples, boils, eczema and other eruptions, loss of appetite, that tired feeling, fits of biliousness, indigestion and headache, are some of them.

They are all radically and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

This great medicine thoroughly cleanses the blood and restores healthy functional activity to the whole system. It makes people well.

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MOST COMPLETE CLEAN-UP YET

Mrs. Beck's Success at Toronto Horse Show Never Before Equaled.

At the Toronto horse show last week Mrs. Adam Beck took thirteen firsts, four seconds and one third and one fourth prize in the harness horse classes, and one first and four seconds in the hunters and jumpers. Of her success, the Toronto Telegram says:

Mrs. Adam Beck, of London, certainly dominated the Canadian Horse Show this year, totally eclipsing all other competitors. Among her prizes she has two championships. She swept the boards clean in the harness class, falling only where she did not show.

It was certainly the most complete clean-up of the twelve years of the show.

Mrs. Beck won \$855 in prizes in the carriage class, together with the King Edward Cup and four pieces of plate. The tabulated results of the entire show are:

CHAMPIONSHIPS.
Hackney mare—Queen of the Party, H. Spenceley.
Hackney stallion—Rosary, H. Spenceley.
Thoroughbred stallion—Orme Shore, R. Davies.
Hackney—Lady Elgin, Mrs. Beck.
High-stepper—Sparkle, Mrs. Beck.
Saddle—Lady Sapphire, A. Yeager.
Hunter—Sweetbriar, Capt. Evans.
Roadster—Rhea W., Miss Wilks.
Saddle pony—Tidley Winks, Mrs. Wilmot.
Combined saddle and harness pony—Tidley Winks.
Champion pony—Plymouth Horace, Graham, Renfrew County.
Best pony by Hackney sire—Hillhurst Bonnie, C. Gudevill.
Best girl or boy rider—Miss Hilda Applegraph.

**DOWIE CHARGED
WITH IMMORALITY**

"Eliak" Must Explain Or Be
Excommunicated from the
Church Forever.

Chicago, May 1.—Secret charges of immorality against John Alexander Dowie must be answered by the "first apostle" before tomorrow evening, or he will be excommunicated from the Christian Catholic Church forever.

Overseer Voliva served notice publicly to that effect last night at a meeting in Shiloh, Tennessee. It was attended by all the church elders and a part of the Zion City people, although the anti-apostolic sentiment has been visible.

"These secret charges against Dowie will be typewritten tomorrow morning," declared Voliva, in a passionate address. "They will be submitted to him, and he will be given until Wednesday evening to answer them. If he does not clear his name he must go, and go forever."

Overseer Brasfield attacked Dowie's sermons in a running fire of comment and denunciation. "Dowie claims he is strong outside Zion," said the overseer. "He is strong when he says we have 10,000 outside this place. There are but 15,000 members in the church."

Voliva again introduced the name of Miss Jansen, a servant at Shiloh, who is the recipient of the "apostle's" misdeeds. He declared that instead of a retraction of her charges against Dowie, which was alleged on Sunday, the girl had reiterated them.

"If necessary," continued Voliva, "I can have a man come upon this platform and tell how he saw Dowie with his arm about the waist of the Jansen girl."

Dowie, in Shiloh House, passed a quiet day. The one rumor which aroused comment in Zion City yesterday was the report that Chief of Police Daniel Sloan, a church instructor, and head of the Zion City constabulary, had secretly renounced Voliva at a conference with Dowie. The rumor, if proved true, would cause the Zion guards to be regarded as an agency of Dowie.

A conflict between the ecclesiastical authorities and the guards would then be imminent.

INTERNATIONAL WATERWAY

An Additional Report To Be Submitted to Consideration of Congress.

Washington, May 1.—It was stated by Chairman Burton of the House committee on rivers and harbors, today, that international waterways commission was to submit an additional report on the subject of diversion of waters from Niagara River next Thursday, and that any action by the committee on the bill for the preservation of the Falls would be postponed until after that report has been received. The commission is meeting in Buffalo.

F. W. Stevens, of Jamestown, N. Y., presented the legal side of the question to the committee today from the point of view that Congress has jurisdiction to make any regulation of international waters from Niagara River. There were three fundamental principles involved, he said, first, the preservation of the nation's boundary, which affords a natural defense; second, the preservation of the level of the waters of the Lake Erie and the maintenance of the level of navigation on the lake; third, the exercise of an international obligation which might be violated by the diversion of water from the stream and give rise to international complications.

Mr. Stevens illuminated these principles at some length, and drew the conclusion that Congress should take a broad view in acting upon the bill, and not let restricted action curtail the federal power, which might be needed in similar cases in the future, when the necessities of the situation might be greatly enhanced. He appeared, he said, for some of the friends of Niagara Falls.

BOUQUET FOR SHERKING

Grecian Monarch Hands It to Canadian at End of Race.

London, May 1.—Before 100,000 people at Athens, Sherring, a Canadian, won the Marathon race, the big event of the Olympia sports.

Great excitement was manifested at the finish, Prince George ran with him up the finish, Sherring smilingly waving a British flag.

The crown prince congratulated him, and, as he bowed to King George, he was presented with a bouquet.

The race was over a 26-mile course. Fifty-three competed, including 25 Greeks, 5 Britons, 5 Americans, 3 Frenchmen, 3 Germans, 2 Italians, 3 Swiss, 2 Egyptians, a Bohemian, a Belgian and a Dane.

Amphibious stations were placed every kilometer along the route. Also men peeled oranges and lemons for the runners.

Sherking's time was 2 hours 51 minutes 23 seconds, being seven minutes ahead of the Swede, who was second, and nine minutes ahead of the American, who was third.

Murder and Suicide.

New York, May 1.—A coroner's physician in Brooklyn reported to the coroner today that evidence indicated that John S. Given, real estate broker, had killed his wife Nellie by administering cyanide of potassium in a headache powder, and then committed suicide by taking the same drug. The lifeless bodies were found in their apartment today, and on the table nearby was a quantity of the poison. Given had taken enough to kill 100 men. No cause for the tragedy is known, but it is supposed that Given had suffered business reverses.

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TWO-GALLON TEST OF AUTOMOBILES

Novel Competition to See How Far Car Will Run on That Much Gasoline.

"How far will your car travel on a gallon of gasoline?" That question is frequently asked among automobilists. Few can answer with any degree of accuracy, though many are enabled to make close guesses, says the New York Herald. The question always is an interesting one and has been productive of some absurd claims of performance.

An opportunity for an impartial and accurate test of the fuel economy of gasoline vehicles of all makes and types will be afforded by the two-gallon efficiency contest to be held by the Automobile Club of America in New York City on Saturday afternoon next. Owners who are curious with others in the matter of fuel consumption are invited by the club to compete in that event.

Briefly, all entered cars will be supplied with two gallons of gasoline and will be run over a measured course until halted by lack of power. To the actual weight of the machines with passengers a handicap of 50 pounds will be added. This sum will be multiplied by the distance in miles traveled to obtain the score.

To the car making the highest score will be awarded a silver punch bowl costing \$50. There also will be second and third prizes besides certificates to cars that comply with the rules.

To enable any car that becomes stalled to return to the club house an "advance wagon" will accompany the car that takes the lead. When the leader stops through exhaustion of gasoline the "advance wagon" will deliver it a five-gallon can of the fuel with which to make the return trip. The accompanying car will then go back, relieving in succession all stalled cars as it meets them. The last one started will be accompanied by a "rear wagon" similarly equipped and having a cyclometer. This car will work from the rear of the course.

To determine and note the exact position at which the car stops and the distance traveled when it comes to the end of its run owing to the consumption of its two-gallon supply, suitable arrangements have been made. If a car has traveled more than 30 miles the observer will telephone the result to the club house in order to facilitate the prompt deciding of the contest.

SENATE WANTS TO KNOW

Proposes to Discuss and Learn Something About Itself.

Ottawa, May 1.—In the Senate today Senator David gave notice of motion for the production of all documents relating to the Senate. Mr. David said the Senate had been a good deal of a mystery, and he thought it would take part in the discussion.

He proposed to move his resolution Tuesday next, and trusted the members of the Senate would take part in the debate.

The following Commons bills were given third readings:

To incorporate the Quebec-Midland Railway Company.

As amended respecting the Atlantic, Quebec and Western Company.

Respecting the Kingston and Pembroke Railway Company.

Respecting the White Horse and Alaskan Railway Company.

Respecting the Nipissing and St. Lawrence Railway Company.

Respecting the Boundary, Kamloops and Cariboo Central Railway Company.

Respecting the St. Clair and Erie Railway Company.

Respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Respecting the South Ontario Pacific Railway Company.

Respecting the Campbellford, Lake Ontario and Western Railway Company.

Respecting the Kootenay and Arrow Head Company.

Respecting the Western Ontario Pacific Railway Company.

Respecting the Esquimaux and Nanaimo Railway Company.

From Paris comes the news that the best people are taking snuff again, and giving it. A medical paper bolsters up the fact by saying that a few pinches a day will guard against influenza.

The world leads the pinching pinching forests; America in devastating them; Sumatra has a greater variety of animal and vegetable life than any other region in the world.

The population of Morocco can only be guessed. No census has ever been taken. The best authorities estimate the inhabitants in number about 7,500,000.

CRIPPLING SCIATICA

A Sure and Certain Way to Cure This Terrible Torture.

There is just one sure, scientific cure for sciatica, lumbago, neuralgia, headaches—you must drive the pain from your blood and nerves with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Lumbago never cures nerve and blood diseases. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills strike straight at the cause because they actually make new blood. Through the blood they conquer the painful poison soothe the nerve, loosen the muscles and banish every ache and pain. Mr. Thomas J. Eisel, Walkerton, Ont., says: "When I began using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I had been in work for three months. The cords of my right leg were all drawn up and I could only limp along with the aid of a stick. The pain I suffered was terrible. Only those who have been afflicted with sciatica can understand the misery I was in both day and night. I took six boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills before they helped me, but after that every day saw an improvement, and by the time I had used fifteen boxes, every vestige of the pain had disappeared. I have no hesitation in pronouncing Dr. Williams' Pink Pills the best medicine in the world for sciatica."

Every dose of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills makes rich, pure, health-giving blood. That is why they cure headaches and backaches, indigestion, kidney and liver troubles, anemia, heart palpitation, and the ills that afflict women only. But be sure you get the genuine pills with the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" on the wrapper around each box. Imitations are worthless—often dangerous. All medicine dealers sell these pills or you can get them by mail at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 by writing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Boils and Pimples

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