

MONETARY BILLS EXCITE ATTENTION

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Up in Congress.

HOUSE RULES HANDY

"Jokers" Often Knocked Out
by Point of Order Rule—
Liquor Situation.

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Washington, Feb. 4.—No proceeding in the house is more interesting than consideration of an appropriation bill. The reason for this is that much of the new legislation enacted by the house is grafted on supply bills in amendments offered by the members from the floor of the house. Under the rules that govern the house nothing not authorized by existing law is permitted in an appropriation bill, and all new matter reported in a supply bill from the committee having the measure in charge is subject to a point of order which, if made, knocks the item out.

Two members of the house who make a specialty of this practice are Representative Mann of Illinois, one of Speaker Cannon's right hand men and Representative Macon of Arkansas, the "Democratic watchdog." But even with them on the watch tower amendments would slip by were it not that other members kept a close lookout for the "little joker." The "little joker" in an appropriation bill is an item increasing a salary or enlarging the powers of some official, or authorizing the head of an executive department to make an innovation under the guise of an improvement.

It was an item of this character that came under the observation of Representative Goldfogle of New York, recently, while the postoffice appropriation bill was under consideration. He discovered the "little joker" when the bill was taken up immediately after the session began. Yet it was close to five o'clock in the afternoon before the opportunity presented itself to knock it out with a point of order. The "joker" in the bill provided "That after December 31, 1911, delivery of mail by city letter carriers shall be made only at such residences and places of business as provide at the door or entrance suitable receptacles for its deposits." This looked innocent enough, but in the opinion of Representative Goldfogle, the adoption of the paragraph would have given the postmaster general authority to issue an order prescribing the kind of letter boxes and the next move would have been for some favored box manufacturer to get approval of a box to be sold to every housekeeper in all cities. Such a piece of legislation, Mr. Goldfogle said today, would have been a burden to thousands of his constituents. Chairman Weeks of Massachusetts, who had charge of the bill, made no objections, and said nothing in the way of suggestion that the item ought to remain in the bill. It would be interesting, Mr. Goldfogle says to know just how and why the "joker" was slipped in. Some years ago the postoffice department undertook to prescribe the shape and size of letter boxes on rural delivery route, but the insinuations of favoritism became so pronounced that the entire matter was abandoned, and the recipients of mail were allowed to provide any kind of a box they wished.

Is Cloak for Criticism.

Representative Heflin of Alabama, while lounging in the Democratic cloak room handed out a little talk on the beauties of the "leave to print"

rule as a cloak for criticism of fellow members, and illustrated his point with a story.

"The member who reads the Record every morning, and by reading I mean the proceeding of the senate as well as the house," said Mr. Heflin, "will catch up with the fellow who now and then slips one over by the rule that governs 'leave to print,' and also discover some sharp criticism of a colleague that, if uttered on the floor would perhaps bring a rejoinder."

"I am reminded of this by a little thing I discovered in the Record of last Tuesday. On its first page was a speech delivered by Representative Payne of New York. The subject of the speech was pensions, and it was delivered on the day on which the house passed the Suloway bill granting pensions to soldiers and officers who served in the civil war, and the war with Mexico. This is the bill that adds \$45,000,000 to the pension fund. It was passed under the suspension of rules after Speaker Cannon had made a strong plea for its passage. Mr. Payne made a brief speech in opposition to the bill, but there was no criticism in what he said on the floor against Speaker Cannon who, in his enthusiasm, quoted a paragraph from President Taft's message on pensions. Mr. Payne obtained leave to extend his remarks in the Record. This he did, with interest for in that Journal a column and a half is taken up in support of his opposition to the bill; and in this leave to print he criticizes the speaker, without mentioning his name, by stating that a part of what President Taft said in his message on pensions was quoted in the debate as an argument for the passage of the bill, but a sentence which was not favorable to the pending legislation was omitted, and in his printed remarks Mr. Payne said no one would seriously contend that what the president really said on the subject was an argument in favor of the passage of the bill."

Lively on Liquor Question.

"Just now our people are giving time and attention to the liquor question and we will know the latter part of the summer if Texas will be all dry or all wet," remarked Representative Lively, of the Lone Star state, discussing the state wide prohibition question which is to be voted on next July. "Twenty years ago," continued Representative Lively, "the state was excited from one end to the other over a proposed amendment to our constitution, the adoption of which would have made Texas prohibition from north to south and from east to west, but the prohibitionists did not win. It was believed that the defeat of prohibition would end the issue, but in this we were mistaken, for the advocates of strict temperance let their cause die out. Now we have the same issue to meet again. The feeling is very strong; in some sections our prohibition friends are declaring for a north and south Texas, should the vote show that the state is divided on the question. However, I believe state pride would prevent a division of the state."

"I believe the liquor question could be solved by a change in the law which directs the collectors of internal revenue to issue a special retail liquor license. Under the present law a license will be issued to any applicant for a retail liquor dealer's license no matter if the applicant's place of business is located in prohibition territory. The effect of this is to give the government's moral support to liquor dealers who refuse to obey local or state laws governing the sale of liquor. If the government would reject all applications for liquor license where the local law forbids it, there would be fewer violations of prohibition law, and local option would be made effective because no liquor dealer would want to get in the clutches of Uncle Sam by selling liquor without a license. There is a growing sentiment in favor of the proposed change in the law to prohibit the issuance of a federal liquor license to retail liquor dealers living in counties where the sale of liquor is forbidden. Retail dealers are not afraid to violate local law but they are not willing to try the issue with the government, and hence they never fail to get Uncle Sam's license."

ANCIL ROBERTS WAS FUGITIVE FROM CITY

Ancil Roberts, 32, a negro, who died Friday night in Chicago, was a fugitive from justice, wanted here for cutting a man named Turner, on July 3, 1908, near the South End C. & O. station. Roberts died from pneumonia. The body will be brought to Richmond and the funeral will be held at the negro Baptist church on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.

QUAKER CITY CANDY COMPANY ORGANIZED

Articles of incorporation of the Quaker City Candy company, at \$10,000 were filed in the office of county recorder Will Robbins on Saturday. The incorporators include the officers who are Clarence H. Finney, president; Mary E. Stegman, vice president; and Edward H. Stegman, secretary-treasurer.

BONACUM IS DEAD

"Fighting Bishop" Succumbs
to Pneumonia Saturday.

(American News Service)

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 4.—Bishop Bonacum known as the "fighting bishop," head of the Lincoln diocese of the Catholic church died today from pneumonia, aged 64.

Bishop Bonacum was born in County Tipperary, Ireland in 1847, emigrating when a boy to America. He was educated in Missouri and at the university of Wurzburg, Germany. Bishop Bonacum was ordained a priest nearly forty years ago and after presiding over several parishes in Missouri, and St. Louis, he was promoted to a bishopric when the Lincoln diocese was created by the late Pope Leo in 1887. Funeral arrangements will not be announced until Sunday.

Palladium Want Ads. Pay.

PROCESS SERVER DID NOT HINDER WEDDING

(American News Service)

St. Louis, Feb. 4.—Miss Irene Catlin, only daughter of Daniel Catlin, millionaire tobacco manufacturer, was married at noon to Frederick Winthrop Allen of New York City, while a process server tried in vain to get into the house to serve a subpoena upon her. She is wanted to appear at the contest hearing in which Congressman Patrick F. Gillis is contesting the election of the bride's brother thereon. Three process servers waited in front of the house till 1 o'clock this morning and then departed after their fruitless vigil. Early this morning they reappeared. One of them got into the house once, just before the ceremony but was promptly thrown out. The bride is wanted to give testimony regarding the campaign disbursements of her brother, who has just been elected to congress.

Her Summing Up.

Ellie—How do you figure him out? Stella—He is nothing but a hot air shaft.—New York Press.

TAFT TO ADDRESS THE BOY SCOUTS

(American News Service)

Washington, Feb. 4.—President Taft, honorary president of the Boy Scouts of America, will be the principal speaker before the advisory council of the Boy Scouts when it convenes for its first annual meeting in this city February 14 and 15.

The Ground Around Notre Dame. The ancient and beautiful Cathedral of Notre Dame, in Paris, looks as if it had sunk in the ground. Other ancient churches give the same impression. The fact is, of course, that the ground has risen around the buildings through the accumulation of centuries of deposits. For instance, it is certain that Notre Dame stood originally many feet higher above the streets around than nowadays and that a flight of steps led up to the porch, which is now almost on a level with the Place du Parvis, Notre Dame. The general effect of the building as the sightseer approaches it has evidently thus been much altered since medieval times.

Raising the Wind. Dannhauser would gamble his last cent. That was his great weakness. He went home one evening after a bad day. He looked tired. "Wife," he said, "have you got anything to eat?" "Yes, lots of things," the wife said. "Well, cook up everything you've got—everything." "Gracious! Are you that hungry?" "I'm not hungry at all. I'm going to sell the stove."—Kansas City Star.

Thoughtful Maud. Maud—Yes, I got papa to buy a vacuum cleaner for mother. Jessica—How thoughtful! Maud—Yes. Mother is a little stiffened up with rheumatism, you know, and I used to feel so sorry to see her trying to use the broom that I always left home on sweeping day.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Rich and Poor. "There's a difference in children." "Yes; the poor man's children are assets, the rich man's liabilities."—Washington Herald.

You have not fulfilled every duty unless you have fulfilled that of being pleasant.—Charles Burton.

WAIT FOR THE HOOSIER'S BIG LOOM END SALE

The Manufacturer's Loss is the Public's Gain
What Are Loom Ends? Listen—

In all of the big Cotton Mills, miles and miles of cotton cloth can be seen passing rapidly through the spinning machinery. Every now and then, the cloth becomes creased or overlaps the rolls, or the dye runs unevenly. The operator stops the machine, and this particular piece, when it reaches the examiner, is cut for the Loom End or Short Length pile.

For the past two months, we have been preparing for this sale, and we have been successful in procuring many cases of these Loom Ends, and this sale that we will inaugurate next week will be much different in character from any other sale ever run in Richmond.

When we say Loom Ends, it does not mean that you will find us with a few remnants from the store's season selling and advertised as Loom Ends. No indeed! There will be many short lengths of cotton piece goods, wool goods, silks, table linen, calicos, gingham, laces, embroideries, etc., from the looms of some of the largest and best mills of this country, such as Amoskeg Mills, Simpson Mills and many others.

The buying and selling organization of this store is so thoroughly aggressive that it is easy to account for this phenomenal sale. From the first day of its organization, ten years ago, the merchandising has been right, not only in quality and seasonableness, but essentially so in style and up-to-dateness.

Clever buying admits of clever underselling, and that is why this store is so prominent in merchandising throughout this section.

In our big "ad" which you will have the opportunity of reading within the next few days, we will give you example after example of the determined spirit of underselling that is characteristic of every department and in every line.

Again we say, Look for the Big "Ad" and
Wait for the HOOSIER'S Loom End Sale

NOTICE

The King Piano Co. Ten Days Clearing Sale on Pianos

We are now giving the biggest bargains in used Pianos and player pianos ever offered in the City of Richmond. These pianos, some are in the very best condition, were taken in trade for the King Piano and the King Piano Player, and some that have been out on rentals are as good as new.

Our Spring shipment will be soon coming in and we must put the prices very low to sell them quickly. We have many other bargains equally as good which will be shown you while visiting our store. Each King piano sold from this store is backed up by a Gold Bond Guarantee for ten years.

If you are not prepared to pay the cash for a piano, that does not matter; the price is just the same to you, by our easy payment plan.

We will be open each evening for the convenience of those who are unable to come in during the day.

King Piano Company
1020 Main Street

THE JEWELRY HOUSE OF DICKINSON. Established 61 Years.
TOMORROW BEGINS THE LAST WEEK OF THE

Clearance and Discount Sale

This sale has been a great success. Many people in Richmond and vicinity have taken advantage of these low prices. The discount of 15 to 30 per cent on every article in the store has made it possible for us to do a larger business in January than any previous year. Next week will end these low prices. The stock still affords you a good selection, as we are well stocked at all times. Be sure, if you haven't been here during the fore part of this sale to call this week.

Sterling Silver Teaspoons . . . 40c up
Rogers Bros. 1847 Knives and Forks
per doz. . . \$3.25
18 size Watches, Elgin or Waltham Move-
ments, 20-yr. Gold Filled, Hand En-
graved case, sale price . . . \$8.00

Good 8-Day Kitchen Clocks, sale price \$1.65
Regular \$1.00 Alarm Clocks, sale price 60c
\$5.00 Military Brushes, quadruple plate
sale price \$3.25



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