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SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION ENACTED.

In Actual Work the Record Stands Well in Comparison with the Most Energetic Congresses—Our New Territorial Possessions and Finances Given Special Attention.

Washington, June 4.—The record of the first session of the Fifty-sixth congress is now practically closed, and it is possible to survey the important work it has accomplished during the last six months. It has been a busy congress—the busiest, according to veteran officials, in many years. In some respects the work has been less exciting than that of the preceding congress, which covered the dramatic period when war was declared against Spain, and also the period of reconstruction and treaty-making with Spain following the successful close of the war. But in work actually accomplished and started toward accomplishment the record of the present session stands well in comparison with the most energetic congresses.

Legislation Partly Advanced.

The Nicaraguan canal bill and the shipping subsidy bill are notable instances of legislation partly advanced during the present session, but not enacted into law. The canal bill has passed the house and has been made the special order in the senate beginning December 10 next. The shipping bill is on the calendar of each house with favorable recommendation from a majority membership of the senate and house committees.

Anti-trust legislation has come prominently into attention in the house at the close of the session, the house having passed a new anti-trust bill and defeated a constitutional amendment.

Some Unpleasant Features.

The exclusion of Brigham H. Roberts from a seat in the house because of his polygamous status, the refusal of the senate to admit Mr. Quay on the appointment of the governor of Pennsylvania, and the sensational charges, investigation and developments in the senate in the case of Mr. Clark, of Montana, have added some exciting personal phases to the session. Investigations have been prolific, including the inquiry into the Coeur d'Alene mining riots in Idaho, the various inquiries on polygamy growing out of the Roberts case, and more recently the senate investigation of the postal and other irregularities in Cuba.

Appropriations.

The total of appropriations cannot yet be stated with exactness, as five bills are pending, but it is approximately $700,000,000 for the session.

Treaties Acted Upon.

The senate in executive session has being occupied to a considerable extent with important treaties, of these the treaties with Great Britain and Germany closing the tripartite government in Samoa and awarding to the United States the island of Tutuila, with its valuable harbor of Pago-Pago, has been ratified, while the commercial reciprocity treaties with France and British West Indian islands and the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, concerning the interoceanic canal, go over without action.

The Financial Act.

Of the legislation actually accomplished and now on the statute books, the financial act is regarded as the chief achievement of the year. The noteworthy feature of the debate on this measure in the house was that party lines were broken to some extent, a number of democratic members from the eastern and New England states joining with the majority in passing it. In the senate also party lines were not entirely carried, Senators Lindsey and Caffrey voting for the measure and Senator Chandler against it. As it became a law by the president's signature, on March 14 it makes gold the standard, provides for the maintenance of the gold standard, provides a treasury reserve of $150,000,000, establishes a division of issue and redemption of the treasury, provides for the redemption and reissue of interest-bearing bonds of the United States, and makes new regulations as to national banks, their circulation, establishment in small communities and the tax they pay. The act also contains a specific declaration that its provisions "are not intended to preclude the accomplishment of international bimetallism."

Porto Rican Revenues.

Porto Rico legislation has been the most fruitful theme of controversy in and out of congress during the session. The discussion first turned on the revenue bill, levying a duty of 15 per cent of the Dingley rates on Porto Rico goods. The majority of the ways and means committee urged the constitutionality and necessity of this course, while the minority, reenforced by Mr. McCall, of Massachusetts, a member of the majority, maintained that the constitution of the United States extended to Porto Rico, and that congress was inaugurating a new and dangerous precedent by giving the island any other law than that of the rest of the country. Excitement ran high under the spur of this difference and the tax they pay. The public attention. The debate in the house was signalized by the division of the majority, which for a time made the result doubtful, but the bill ultimately passed.

The contest in the senate was animated but less acute, the senate changing the entire scope of the measure by adding a complete form of civil government, in this form, raising revenue and establishing an island government, the measure became a law. Subsequently it was amended so as to limit corporate franchises, and on the president's recommendation an act was passed appropriating for the use of Porto Rico the $2,095,455 collected from island sources since its acquisition.

Our New Possessions.

Next in importance in the accomplished work of the session is the act "to provide a government for the territory of Hawaii." The debate on it in the senate and house aroused little division save on matters of detail. The act provides a system of government much like that of territories, with a governor appointed by the president, a legislature of two houses, franchise rights practically the same as those of voters of the United States, with the additional qualification that no person shall "be able to speak, read and write the English or the Hawaiian language." Administrative and judicial officers are provided, and the island is given a delegate to the house of representatives of the United States, chosen by the people, with a right to debate in the house, but not a right to vote.

The Philippines and Cuba have occupied much attention in the way of debate and the adoption of resolutions of inquiry. The Spooner bill, providing that when all insurrection against the authority of the United States shall be at an end then all military, civil and judicial powers shall, unless otherwise provided by congress, be carried on under the direction of the president, formed the basis of the senatorial debate on the Philippines, but was fruitless of action. The only legislation as to Cuba is of a comparatively minor character, relating to Cuban shipping.

Pensions.

The general pension laws have been materially changed by the present congress, largely as a result of the efforts of the Grand Army of the Republic, which secured the passage of a bill amending the law of June 27, 1890, so as to permit the "aggregating" of disabilities, and changing the provision as to widows so that a widow may receive pension when she is "without means of

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

For the Week Ending June 7.

Austinburg, O., celebrated its centennial anniversary Wednesday.

Gen. Maximo Gomez has returned to Havana from Santo Domingo.

Louisiana democrats elected Bryan delegates to the national convention.

John G. Brady has been reappointed governor of Alaska by the president.

Wheat crop in Kansas promises to be the greatest in the history of the state.

The bank at Donovan, Ill., was robbed by burglars of $17,000 in money and notes.

John A. Russell, of Elgin, Ill., has been appointed attorney general of Porto Rico.

The Maryland democratic convention ignored the Chicago platform and Bryan.

South Dakota and North Dakota democratic conventions instructed for Bryan.

Forty buildings in the business district of Susanville, Cal., were destroyed by fire.

Rev. Henry Moeller, of Cincinnati, is appointed bishop of the see of Columbus, O.

The new capitol of New Mexico was dedicated at Santa Fe with imposing ceremonies.

Admiral Dewey and party left Washington on a trip to Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin.

At the opening of the Chilian congress the president said Chili was at peace with all the world.

Rev. Edward Edmunds, the oldest Baptist clergyman in Boston, died there, aged 85 years.

Rural guards killed Juan Gonzalez, a notorious outlaw, and four companions, near Sagua, Cuba.

Berea (Ky.) college completed its $200,000 endowment fund, Miss Helen Gould contributing $50,000.

The United States has sent the warship Helena from Manila to reenforce the command in China.

The New York democratic state convention elected national delegates favorable to Bryan for president.

Germany will take no steps to prevent the annexation by Great Britain of the South African republics.

Railroad crop reports point to a heavy harvest in Iowa, Nebraska, northern Missouri and northern Kansas.

Latest reports from British India state that about 6,779,000 people in the famine districts are now receiving aid.

Stephen Crane, the American author and war correspondent, died at Badenweiler, Germany, aged 30 years.

Judge J. P. Hand (rep.) was elected to the Illinois supreme bench in the Fifth judicial district by 12,000 majority.

Gov. Roosevelt announces that he has granted the extradition of Neely, demanded by Gov. Gen. Wood, of Cuba.

In a feud at San Augustine, Tex., Sheriff Noel Roberts and his two brothers, Sidney and F. G. Roberts, were killed.

Citizens of Kentucky presented to the battleship named after the state a silver service of 70 pieces, which cost $6,000.

West Virginia democrats nominated John H. Holt, of Huntington, for governor, and indorsed Bryan for president.

Missouri democrats nominated ex-Congressman A. M. Dockery for governor, and indorsed Bryan and the Chicago platform.

Democratic nominations for congress in Ohio: Third district, U. F. Bickley; Thirteenth, J. A. Norton; Fifteenth, L. W. Ellenwood.

Fully 4,000 women were present in Milwaukee at the opening of the convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

In San Francisco Robert Bradley, a self-confessed counterfeiter, dropped dead when sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Mrs. Armoret Reese Henson, wife of Rev. Dr. P. S. Henson, pastor of the First Baptist church, died in Chicago, aged 67 years.

The lumber plant at Ste. Etinne du Saguenay, Canada, belonging to Prince Bros. & Co., of Quebec, was burned, the loss being $400,000.

Rev. Festus P. Cleveland, 82 years old, a retired minister of the Methodist church, died at his home in Rogers Park, Ill., of pneumonia.

Rev. Dr. Richard Salter Storrs, pastor emeritus of the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn, and a noted author, died at the age of 76 years.

Charges are made by the envoys from the South African republics that they are under constant surveillance by agents of the British government.

Conrad A. Peterson, a constable, shot and killed John Scholz, a saloon keeper in a Chicago suburb, who resented the serving of an execution.

Nominations for congress: Illinois, Twenty-second district, G. W. Smith (rep.) renominated; Indiana, Sixth district, D. W. McKee (dem.); Kentucky, Eighth district, G. G. Gilbert (dem.), renominated; Missouri, Fourteenth district, W. D. Vandiver (dem.), renominated.

Five Killed.

Hamilton, O., June 4.—The engine of a fast freight on the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Indianapolis railroad jumped the track west of this city Sunday. Eleven cars loaded with stock were wrecked. Timothy Mahoney, David Starkey and Ambrose Smith, trainmen, and two unknown boys who were stealing a ride were killed. The loss will be about $5,000.

THE MARKETS.

	New York, June 7.		
LIVE STOCK—Steers	$4 50	@	5 50
Hogs	5 50	@	5 90
Sheep	3 50	@	5 00
FLOUR—Winter Straights..	3 35	@	3 45
Minnesota Patents	3 60	@	3 65
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	78¼	@	82¼
July	72	@	72⅝
CORN—No. 2	43½	@	44¼
July	43	@	43⅝
OATS—No. 2	26	@	26¼
BUTTER — Creamery	16	@	19
Factory	14	@	16
CHEESE	11½	@	11¾
EGGS	10½	@	12
CHICAGO.			
SATTLE — Steers	$4 15	@	5 65
Texas	3 40	@	5 25
Stockers	3 70	@	4 40
Feeders	4 50	@	4 90
Bulls	2 60	@	4 25
HOGS — Light	4 90	@	5 15
Rough Packing	4 95	@	5 10
SHEEP	5 00	@	5 50
BUTTER — Creameries	14½	@	19
Dairies	14	@	15½
EGGS	8	@	11½
POTATOES (per bu.)	31	@	37
PORK — July	11 25	@	11 50
LARD — July	6 75	@	6 80
RIBS — July	6 65	@	6 72½
GRAIN — Wheat, July	67	@	67¾
Corn, July	33½	@	33¾
Oats, July	21¼	@	21⅜
Rye, No. 2	52¾	@	53
Barley, Feed	34	@	37
MILWAUKEE.			
GRAIN—Wheat, No. 1 Nor'n	$ 67½	@	68
Oats, No. 2 White	24½	@	25
Rye, No. 1	56	@	56¼
Barley, No. 2	42½	@	43
KANSAS CITY.			
GRAIN—Wheat, July	$ 60⅜	@	60⅞
Corn, July	35½	@	35⅝
Oats, No. 2 White	23¾	@	24
Rye, No. 2	51	@	51¼
ST. LOUIS.			
CATTLE — Native Steers..	$3 75	@	5 60
Texas Steers	3 60	@	4 90
HOGS — Packers'	4 95	@	5 05
Butchers'	5 05	@	5 20
SHEEP—Native Muttons..	4 50	@	5 00
OMAHA.			
CATTLE — Native Steers..	$4 40	@	5 35
Cows and Heifers	3 70	@	4 70
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SHEEP — Wethers	4 50	@	5 10

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