

SOME SALARIES INCREASED

LITTAUER AMENDMENT PASSES
Vice President, Speaker of House and Members of Cabinet Will Receive \$15,000 Yearly—Amendment to Increase Salaries of Senators, Representatives and Resident Commissioner From Porto Rico to \$7,500, Offered by Mr. Littauer, Debated Afternoon. Considerable Discussion by Vote of 188 to 106—Supported Enthusiastically by Representative Clark, of Florida, From Standpoint of Poor Men.

Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, opposed any further increase of salaries along the line of the executive offices. He believed the salaries of the minor clerks of the government should be increased on account of the increased cost of living.

CONGRESS NOW WELL PAID. Mr. Underwood further said that there is no political objection in the world that pays its members as much as the members of the Congress of the United States are paid.

Mr. Fitzgerald, of New York, said he would vote for the increase even if the price means political oblivion. He called attention to the salary of the comptroller of that city and insisted that the Vice President and the Speaker should be paid salaries commensurate with the dignity of their offices.

After other speeches the amendment was adopted by a vote of 214 to 151, the yeas being by several scores enough to call the yeas and noes. Having won a most substantial victory Mr. Littauer introduced another amendment to the same effect.

On the 14th after March 4, 1907, the compensation of heads of executive departments, who are members of the President's cabinet, shall be at the rate of \$15,000 to \$15,000 a year, and the compensation of the Vice President and members of the cabinet.

Mr. Boutell, of Illinois, said he was opposed to the proposition to increase salaries of members, but was glad to vote for an amendment to increase the salary of the speaker. Vice President and members of the cabinet.

FOR SHIP SUBSIDY MEASURE. President Believes Reference in His Annual Message Was Misunderstood and Will Send Special to Congress Advocating Its Passage.

Washington, Dec. 14.—That President Roosevelt will send to Congress a special message advocating the passage of a ship subsidy measure at the present session, will meet on the minds of members of the House today. It was said that the President had declared that the recommendation in his annual message was misunderstood.

Enrique C. Oval Mexican Ambassador to United States. City of Mexico, Dec. 14.—It has been officially announced by the Mexican government that Enrique C. Oval, Governor of the State of Chihuahua, has been appointed Mexican ambassador to the United States.

BANKERS' PLAN INADEQUATE.

Sec. Shaw Appears Before House Committee on Banking and Currency in Advocacy of High Taxed Credit Currency Suggesting Five Per Cent. as Desirable Rate. Washington, Dec. 14.—Secretary Shaw appeared before the House committee on banking and currency today in advocacy of a high taxed credit currency, suggesting five per cent. as a desirable rate.

Mr. Shaw thought the bankers' plan wholly inadequate to meet the requirements of the commercial world and said it was encumbered with too much machinery for the limited good results he feels it is capable of accomplishing.

It was urged by the Secretary that an effort should be made to make all our currency elastic, rather than to impart elasticity to a certain amount of emergency currency. Under the bankers' plan, and under the credit currency which goes into national banks would be on its way to redemption.

CHARLOTTE POULTRY DO WELL. B. S. Davis' Plymouth Rock Fowls Win Second Prize on Pullet and Third on Cock at Great Knoxville Show—Other Winners.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 14.—The second annual meeting and exhibit of the East Tennessee Poultry Association came to a very successful close today. Fifteen hundred birds were exhibited by nearly 150 owners of all sections of the country.

John P. Greene entered in the Brown Leghorn class and won third prize on a pair of birds. He also won first prize on cock and second on hen.

END OF THE WELLS CASES. The Plaintiff Gets Verdict for a Total of \$75,312.15—Review of the Case—Awarded Four Times in Circuit Court of Appeals.

The famous cases of the Wells Company vs. the Gastonia Manufacturing Company and the Avon Mills, also of Gastonia, came to an end yesterday afternoon when Judge James E. Boyd in the United States District Court signed the judgments awarding the plaintiff \$44,432.87 and \$32,879.28, respectively.

The case was heard in the District Court here and the plaintiff lost. The case was taken to the circuit court of appeals at Richmond, where it was argued four separate and distinct times.

In this case the plaintiff company was represented by Mr. C. W. Tillet, of Charlotte, and Murray E. Smith, of Vicksburg, Miss. The defendants have been represented by Burwell & Casler, of Charlotte, and Mr. O. F. Mason, of Dallas.

Deeter Case Consumes Entire Day. Almost the entire day in the United States District Court yesterday was consumed with the evidence in the case of E. D. Deeter vs. the Southern Railway in which the plaintiff asks for \$25,000 on account of alleged injuries received while he was in the employ of the company.

JONES DECLARED GUILTY

GUILDFORD NEGRO WILL HANG. Frazier Jones, Negro Arraigned at Greensboro for Murder of His Wife. Declared Guilty of Murder in First Degree—Bad Mixture of Indian and African Citizen—Younger of Youthful World—Bad Desperadoes Excused—The Other Gets Two Years in Work House—High Point Man Sent to Reading—Mr. Clark Returns to Greensboro.

Greensboro, Dec. 14.—Frazier Jones, the negro charged with killing his wife at his home in Gibsonville, on Thanksgiving Day, was this afternoon found guilty of murder in the first degree. The jury was out only a few minutes, and the verdict was reached on first ballot.

Five witnesses for the State, were introduced as follows: Bette Holt, a relative of the deceased, Ethel Gibson, a niece of the deceased, Caleb Summers, Policeman Geo. May and Dr. J. E. Jordan. The defendant offered no testimony and at 1 o'clock attorney of counsel was begun.

The circumstances of the shooting were most revolting. The defendant in the present case was a young man of 21-22 years of age, a native of people at his home on the morning of Thanksgiving Day deliberately walked into the kitchen where his wife was at work and, after a brief and heated conversation, drew a pistol and opened fire on her.

THEYER CAUSEY GOES TO WORK HOUSE. Theyer and Ed Causey, two white boys, whose ages are 16 and 11, respectively, were the defendants in a court case called in court today.

Another case disposed of this morning was that against Charles Murphy, of High Point, who was sentenced to one year on the county roads for an assault with a deadly weapon upon Policeman Lovelace, of High Point. There were two other charges against him for carrying concealed weapons and resisting an officer.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL FOR INSANE. The board of directors for the Hospital for the Insane here, informs the Governor that the annual report of the hospital for the year ending June 30, 1906, has been completed and is rapidly being filed.

COMMUNICATED FOR WILLIAMS. Governor Glenn today declined to interfere in the matter of Ben Williams, the negro convicted of murder in Raleigh last week. He was sentenced to the State Prison for life.

TO CONSIDER NEEDS OF INSANE. Next week Dr. Falcon, of the Eastern Hospital for the Insane, Dr. McKee, of the Western Hospital, and Dr. McKee, of the Eastern Hospital, will meet here for a conference with the State board of directors in regard to the needs of the insane.

CONTRACT HAS BEEN AWARDED. U. D. C. Building at Exposition Will Cost \$5,000 and Will be Reproduction of Jefferson Davis. Norfolk, Va., Dec. 14.—The contract for the building to be erected at the Jamestown Exposition by the Daughters of the Confederacy all over the country, has been awarded.

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A SHAKE-UP ON SOUTHERN

SEVERAL MEN ARE PROMOTED. Beginning January 1, the Boundaries of Divisions Will be Contracted so That Superintendents May Exercise Closer Personal Supervision—Number of Division Superintendents Will be Increased From 14 to 27—Superintendent Gatchell, at Nashville, Will Fill Newly Created Office of Superintendent at Jacksonville—Congressman Webb Holds Correspondence With Taft Regarding Battle Ground Monument.

Observer Bureau, 1417 G Street, N. W., Washington, Dec. 14. Effective January 1, a number of important changes for the improvement of the service will be made by the Southern Railway. The most important is the reorganization of territory divided among superintendents of divisions. There will be 27 division superintendents instead of 14, as now. The western district, now composed of the Memphis, Birmingham and the Mobile divisions, will embrace the Birmingham, Atlanta, Mobile, Columbia and the Macon divisions.

BOUNDARIES SHIFTED. The middle district, now composed of Knoxville, Asheville, Atlanta and Nashville, will embrace the Asheville, Murphree, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Nashville and Memphis divisions. The eastern district, now composed of the Charlotte, Columbia, Jacksonville and Charlotte divisions, will embrace the Charlotte, Greenville, Rock Hill, Charleston, Columbia, Jacksonville and Spartanburg divisions.

NEW OFFICE CREATED. Superintendent Gatchell, at Nashville, will be promoted to superintendent of transfers, looking after freight transfers at junction points. The object of creating this position is to improve the handling of freight in less than carload lots at junction points. Mr. Gatchell was formerly traffic manager for the Patterson Transfer Company at Memphis. His successor at Nashville has not yet been decided upon.

ONE TARI CUTS ANOTHER. George Hatton, an Englishman, Faces Ill at the Hands of J. Rodruyette, a Mexican. Washington, Dec. 14.—There came to-day a serious cutting affair on board the United States light inspector Jessamine early this morning. For 10 days the Jessamine has been laying at the buoy yard dock awaiting orders. Last night two of the men, J. Rodruyette, a Mexican, and George Hatton, an Englishman, became involved in a difficulty in the suburbs of the city. Both were drinking at the time. The dispute was continued early this morning on the boat. Hatton, in a fit of anger, drew a knife and cut the Englishman with a knife. Hatton was cut on his back, a shoulder got several stab wounds, and an arm and one of his hands were cut wide open. Immediately after the fight Hatton was taken to the Fowle Memorial Hospital, where his wounds were dressed by Dr. Jack Nicholson. The Mexican in the meantime was arrested and lodged in the station-house, awaiting trial. The cuts of Hatton are painful, but there is no reason to believe that they will prove especially serious.

A COURT MARTIAL IS ORDERED. Major Penrose and Captain Macklin, of C. First Battalion Twenty-Fifth Infantry Must Explain Failure to Prevent Brownsville Riot. Washington, Dec. 14.—On the recommendation of the general staff the Secretary of War has ordered the trial by court-martial of Major Charles W. Penrose and Capt. Edgar A. Macklin, of Company C, first battalion Twenty-fifth Infantry, under the 62nd article of war for "conduct to the prejudice of good order and discipline," in failing in their duty in preventing and suppressing the riot at Brownsville, Tex. last August.

PRESIDENT CAN'T COME. The President will not be able to attend the reunion of the siege of Fort Fisher at Wilmington January 15. He so stated to-day to Senator Owen and Representative Jackson of North Carolina, who were with him at the White House. The President has several engagements at the beginning of the year and declared that it is a source of regret to him that he cannot attend the reunion.

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