

FOR FOUR BATTLESHIPS

BOTH HOUSES READ MESSAGE

President's Message Favoring an Appropriation for Four Battleships is Received by Both Houses and Attracts Much Attention—Debate on House Appropriation Bill is in Full Swing When the Message is Received—Opponents of the Measure Seize Upon a Typographical Error to Delay the Reading of the Message—President's Message on the Appropriation for Battleships—The President's Message.

and undefined wealth invites aggression. The very liberty of individual speech and action, which we so prize and guard, renders it possible that at times unexpected causes of friction with foreign powers may suddenly develop. At this moment we are negotiating arbitration treaties with all the other great powers that are willing to enter into them. . . .

HOUSE SUMMARY.

The expected fight in the House of Representatives over the question whether there shall be two or four battleships authorized for the coming year did not materialize yesterday, under discussion. Instead, most all of the session was devoted to a lively debate regarding naval stations in the Philippines. The supporters of the Subig Bay appropriation were victorious despite vigorous opposition from both sides of the chamber. . . .

CHINA AN EXAMPLE.

Those who hold this view are blind indeed to all that has gone on before their eyes in the world at large. They are blind to what has happened in China, in Turkey, in Spain, in possessions in Central and South Africa during the last dozen years. For centuries China has cultivated the very spirit which our own people at any-price men wish this country to adopt. For centuries China has refused to provide military forces and has treated the career of the soldier as inferior in honor and regard to the career of the merchant or of the man of letters. . . .

FIRST-CLASS NAVY.

The State Department is continually appealed to interfere on behalf of peoples and nationalities who insist that they are suffering from oppression. It is the duty of the United States to exist in time of profound peace and frequently, although by no means always it is alleged to occur at the hands of people who are not very formidable in a military sense. . . .

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The message was presented in the Senate immediately after the conclusion of Senator Foraker's speech and while the Vice President was engaged in a vigorous attempt to restore order. The secretary of the Senate skimmed through the document in short order and a motion to adjourn ended the dilemma. Senators and members were supplied with copies of the document and many read it with avidity. . . .

THE NAVY A POWERFUL INSTRUMENT.

To carry out this policy is but to act in the spirit of George Washington's great and most important motto which he outlined when he said "Observe good faith and justice toward all nations. Cultivate peace and harmony with all. . . ."

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

April 14, 1908. The White House. When the naval appropriation bill was taken up by the House to-day there still was pending an amendment by Mr. Jones, of Virginia, striking out the appropriation for developing the naval station at Subig bay, Philippine Islands.

CAVITE AND SUBIG BAY.

The controversy between the army and the navy as to which is the most desirable place, Cavite or Subig bay, for fortification and protection was condemned by Mr. Crumpacker, of Indiana, who said that the administration should not ask Congress for money for both places until the question was settled one way or the other. . . .

SIMMONS MADE A BIG HIT

NEW YORK SPEECH WELL TAKEN

Senate Committee Decides to Report Ocean Mail Service Bill as Amendment to Postoffice Bill. . . .

BY H. E. C. BRYANT.

Observer Bureau, Congress Hall Hotel, Washington, April 14.

Senator Simmons has returned from New York where he made a decided hit before the Democratic Club. The metropolitan press gave Mr. Simmons' speech a good position and attractive headlines. . . .

PHYSICIAN TO BE TRIED?

A Durham Doctor May Have to Answer in Court to Charge of Malpractice—An Orange County Man of Prominence Charged With False Pretense.

Special to The Observer.

Durham, April 14.—There are rumors and hints that Durham will be treated to a decided sensation in the latter future. While no definite steps have been taken, it is known that a prominent physician of the city is to be sued in the civil courts for damages, malpractice being the alleged cause for the action. . . .

MAKING OUT STRONG CASE

MUCH INTEREST IN SMITH TRIAL

Trial of Jim Smith and Others at Greensboro For Killing of Revenue Officer Progress Rapidly—Contract For Teifair Sanitarium Let at \$250,000—Chamber of Commerce of Greensboro Adopts Resolution Favoring Macadamized Roads From Raleigh to Charlotte—Report of Secretary Shows Progress of a Gate City—Major Morehead Secures Pedestal For Gullford Battle Ground.

Observer Bureau, The Beville Building, Greensboro, April 14.

Good progress was made in the United States Court to-day in the trial of Jim Smith, who, with others, is indicted for a conspiracy resulting in the death of Revenue Officer Hendrix. . . .

COAL DEALERS MEET.

Joint Session Between Kentucky, Tennessee and Southeastern Association of Coal Dealers Held at Knoxville, Tenn., April 14.

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GREENSBORO'S RAPID PROGRESS.

The annual report of Secretary Kuykendall, of the chamber of commerce, is a most interesting document, showing in a concise manner the rapid advancement made by Greensboro along all lines. . . .

ALL CARS ARE RUNNING.

For the First Time in Nine Days the Street Cars at Pensacola Are Operated—State Militia is on Guard and No Disorders Are Reported.

Special to The Observer.

Pensacola, Fla., April 14.—For the first time in nine days cars were operated over two of the lines of the Pensacola Electric Company this afternoon. . . .

SOUTHERN AMENDS CAUSE.

Contractors Left Out of the Case Against the South & Western Railway Will Be Thursday.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, April 14.—The Southern Railway and contractors, set for a hearing before Judge Pritchard Thursday, by naming only the South & Western a defendant. . . .

WOMAN'S ASSISTANT IN THE HANDS OF THE SHERIFF.

Aiken, S. C., April 14.—Chief of Police Shreve brought to Aiken to-day and turned over to the sheriff, by the name of Alexander Hall, who on Sunday morning stopped at the home of C. W. Sox near Perry. . . .

RECEIVES FLESH WOUND IN SHOULDER

While in Scuffle With Hazards at Wake Forest.

Special to The Observer.

Thomasville, April 14.—News has just been received from Wake Forest that Mr. J. Mills Newton, a member of the freshman class in Wake Forest, was injured while in a scuffle with a fellow student. . . .

WAS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Wake Forest, April 14.—Freshman Newton was accidentally shot by a companion Friday night when attacked by a blacking party. . . .

MRS. H. A. KLUEPELBERG WEDS

Charlotte Lady Becomes Bride of New York Mining Expert at Culpeper, Va.—Will Spend Honey-moon in Europe.

Special to The Observer.

Culpeper, Va., April 14.—Mr. Oliver C. Townsend, of New York City, and Mrs. Henry A. Kluepelberg, of Charlotte, N. C., were married this morning at 9 o'clock. . . .

TWO KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Marshallville, Ga., April 14.—Eugene Andrews, a farmer who lives near here, and Moses Colbert, a negro, were killed by lightning during a storm here late to-day.

HE IT WITHOUT ENDANGERING THE BILL BY ADOPTING THE AMENDMENT WHICH I SEND TO THE DESK.

The amendment proposed reads: "Provided, That nothing in this act shall be construed as to be a cause for removal from the State to the Federal Court of any suit brought by a citizen of a State against a domestic corporation, or a suit by one citizen of a State against a foreign corporation joined with a citizen of the same State. All amendments were killed.

REPORT FROM COUNTRIES ON WEST COAST OF SOUTH AMERICA IN WHICH CONDITIONS THERE WILL NOT LESSEN DEMAND FOR AMERICAN PRODUCTS.

New Orleans, La., April 14.—Charles E. Pepper, who has been a year past investigating trade conditions in South America for the Department of Commerce and Labor, arrived here to-day from Panama. . . .

PARDON FOR HUDSPETH.

Application Will Be Made For Release of Man Convicted of Murder in Case of the West Coast.

Special to The Observer.

High Point, April 14.—Dr. Thomas E. Green, a noted platform lecturer, appears at the auditorium Friday night as one of the attractions of the entertainment given by the Baptist church last year and so pleased his large audience that he was placed in the list again this year. . . .

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WELL-KNOWN LECTURER DELIVERS TEMPERANCE ADDRESS—MAINE MONUMENT UNVEILING MAY 8th—MARSHALS AT WHITNEY WILDRADEN.

Special to The Observer.

Salisbury, April 14.—Rev. George Street, a noted prohibition speaker, made an address here last night to a large crowd of men in a tent erected at the corner of Main and Bank street. . . .

GLENN ISSUES STATEMENT.

NOT IN THE SENATORIAL RACE.

Observer Bureau, The Home Building, Raleigh, April 14.

"Answering many letters daily inquiring my intentions, I desire to say I will not be a candidate for the United States Senate but will support the renomination of Senator Overman. . . .

JOINT SESSION BETWEEN KENTUCKY, TENNESSEE AND SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF COAL DEALERS HELD AT KNOXVILLE, TENN., APRIL 14.

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