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**OVER BILLION APPROPRIATION**

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The principal military items is \$300,000 for military aeronautics, of which \$150,000 is to be spent for fifteen airplanes, declared to be necessary if the United States is to keep abreast in this science and the prepared to cope with other first class powers in case of war.

**For Census Bureau.**  
The census bureau wants \$225,000 for collecting statistics, of which \$150,000 is for a census of manufactures.

Secretary McAdoo estimates that he will need \$1,500,000 to collect the income tax.

**Department of Agriculture.**  
The department of agriculture asks congress for \$400,000 to use in eradicating the cattle tick, an increase of \$70,000, declaring several southern states are manifesting an interest in cattle raising owing to the uncertainty of the cotton crop and the high price of cattle.

This department lines itself up with the department of justice and congress in the effort to delve into the operations of the cold storage dealers. It asks \$50,000 to investigate the preparation for market, the storing, freezing and other operations incidental to the transportation of poultry and eggs; \$15,000 to look into similar operations in fish; \$24,000 for an osteological investigation and \$20,000 for a biological investigation of food and drug products, with \$54,301 for the enforcement of the pure food and drug act.

**State Department.**  
The state department evidences its determination to house American representatives abroad in buildings furnished by the government in asking \$150,000 for the purchase of a site and the construction of an embassy building in Mexico City; \$140,000 for the purchase of a site and construction of a building for the legation at Bern, Switzerland; and \$150,000 for the construction of an embassy building on ground now owned by the United States in Tokio.

For continuing work on public buildings already authorized, the treasury department puts in an estimate of \$6,111,232.

**Rivers and Harbors.**  
For continuing rivers and harbors work the war department says it needs \$41,483,895 which includes: For channel from Galveston to Texas City, \$90,000; inland waterway, Norfolk, Va., to Beaufort Inlet, N. C., \$390,000; harbor of Refuge Point, Lookout, N. C., \$300,000; maintenance 25 foot channel, Savannah to the sea, \$250,000; St. Johns river, Jacksonville, Fla., to the sea, \$300,000; Black Warrior and Tombigbee rivers, Alabama, \$500,000; Southwest Pass, Miss., \$400,000; Cumberland river below Nashville, Tenn., \$250,000.

The estimates for the organized militia are larger by many millions than in previous years. Sums of \$1,380,000 for field camps of instruction; \$404,250, for equipment of coast artillery armories; \$2,100,000 for field artillery material, and \$3,000,000 for ammunition for such artillery for militia are asked.

For armament in fortifications the estimate is \$6,808,800, an increase of more than \$5,000,000 over last year. This \$3,000,000 is to be expended in the purchase, manufacture and test of ammunition for mountain, field and siege cannon and a large part of the remainder is to be used in altering old style field and coast artillery guns.

Although the Panama canal probably will be in operation long before the close of the fiscal year of 1915, the war department estimates that \$26,326,985 must be appropriated for the canal that year, which is about \$5,000,000 more than the current appropriation. For miscellaneous material for the canal \$9,469,000 is asked and \$2,561,820 is wanted for fortifications.

**Interesting Item.**  
One of the most interesting items in the long list of estimates is that of \$475,000 for salaries and expenses of special attorneys, examiners and

**COURT HEARS GRAFT TALK**

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decided upon finally by the higher court at the May term. This agreement was reached and the jury was dismissed. No jury will be summoned for the special term, which convenes two weeks from today.

The cases against John H. Lange, Gay Green and J. Baylis Rector, which were first called Saturday, were then resumed. O. E. Franklin, formerly manager of the Century drug store, the property of Messrs. Lange and Green, and in whose name a license to sell intoxicants on prescription was held for that place, was recalled for direct examination. He was examined in chief Saturday, and today he was asked about some additional points regarding the case.

**Receipts From Illegal Sales.**  
The witness said that during the two months he worked the daily receipts ran from \$75 to \$100 a day, and he approximated that one-half of this was from the illegal sale of intoxicants. All champagne, and a few other wines, he said, were turned over to the hotel exclusively, and the hotel was charged with these goods at the price left blank. He stated that the records compiled by the auditors showing that between June 14 and July 31, 1674 gallons of whiskey, brandy and gin, exclusive of malt and vinous liquors, were received by the drug store are correct.

He said that Sunny Brook and Green River seemed to be the favorite brands of rye whiskey dispensed, while the corn was without brand, the greatest part of it coming in bulk. The bottled goods, he said, came principally from the class of his customers, and as to rumors that the drug store was a depot for bootleggers, he said that this was not the case, as he had been especially instructed by Messrs. Lange and Green to sell whiskey illegally only to men whom he knew to be "all right."

Mr. Franklin was asked if he knew anything of the illegal traffic in liquor at the Glen Rock hotel but said that he does not. He admitted knowing Vance Wells, however, for whom a warrant was issued at the beginning of the investigation, and that he held a federal retail liquor dealer's license to sell whiskey at the hotel; further that he knew Wells was an employe of the Glen Rock.

**Disappearance of Wells.**  
At this point in the proceedings, Judge Carter submitted a few cutting remarks relative to the disappearance of Wells just as the investigation began and stated it as his belief that Wells had been informed by a member of the police force that he was likely to be arrested, intimating at the same time that this police officer, or these officers, might have been influenced in Wells' behalf by certain persons of financial, political and social standing who are directly interested in the investigation.

Judge Carter also stated it as his belief that the persons of extensive wealth and power who have been interested in the liquor traffic have used men like Wells as dummies and cats-paws to carry on their nefarious business; and in this connection he said that he might not deal very severely with Wells as a defendant if he is brought back here. He said, however, that it might be in the interest of John H. Lange for Wells to be brought back here now.

Judge Carter emphasized the need of the investigation for the small men who have been used as dummies, and appealed to the good citizens of Asheville and Buncombe county to come forward with financial aid to bring Wells back. He asked if there is not some public spirited citizen here who is willing to donate \$500 for this purpose. He said that he is receiving words of sympathy from the people who are interested in law enforcement, but that some real financial backing is necessary in order to make it as thorough as it should be. However, he expressed his gratitude for the sympathy for the interest manifested in the investigation.

Relative to his suspicions regarding a leak in officials circles, Judge Carter said that the people of the city should insist that the police committee go into secret session with Chief of Police Lominac and his men who are known to be faithful, and to make a thorough investigation there as to who of the police force has been guilty of infidelity. He said that it is his desire to reach higher up in official

**MINISTERS REFER TO WHISKEY PROBE**

**Judge Carter Is Landed For Steps He is Taking in Investigation.**

Several Asheville ministers in their sermons yesterday morning referred to the investigations Judge Frank Carter is making into the alleged illegal traffic in whiskey in Asheville. All the ministers who mentioned the work of Judge Carter, did so in the most complimentary way and the general trend of the references was that they were behind the judge in the investigations.

**The Case of Swenson.**  
Was Swenson ever brought to justice? No. George W. Swenson to his last day lived under the shadow of the state capitol of North Carolina in luxury and affluence; he lived so near the state penitentiary of North Carolina that he could hear the clanking chains on poor devils who had stolen chickens and pigs. The law could not reach him. I had hoped to live to see the time when the law in North Carolina would reach that class of criminals. I fear that the time has not yet come. I am a defender of the guilty, and I am a matter of which I can have no pride, and an opportunity will be given to see whether the law is as impotent in these cases as it was in the case of George W. Swenson. George W. Swenson was never tried and convicted in any of the courts of North Carolina, but there is a court in which George W. Swenson was tried and convicted, and that is the court of public conscience; and in that court he was convicted by such men as Joe Turner, noble warrior that he was, at the risk of his life. George W. Swenson lived in luxury and affluence, but he died a social outcast.

The law may not reach such men as the proprietor of the Battery Park hotel and the owners of skyscrapers, but whether the law is potent or impotent, the court of public conscience is potent enough to drive such men as the proprietor of the Battery Park hotel from that position, a man who has for six years persistently defied the law of the state.

Mr. Solicitor, I think these cases should interest you. I think the proprietor of the Battery Park hotel is not alone upon trial, the law is upon trial, the integrity of the administration of justice is upon trial. If the law cannot reach the criminal of all classes, the law cannot be said to be enforced with impartial justice, equality and righteousness; rather the law, in such cases, must be said to favor partiality, inequality and injustice.

Mr. Solicitor, you are the sole law officer of this district and you cannot afford to neglect this investigation. I repeat: I consider the administration of the law, the integrity of our public officers charged with the administration of the law in this community, to be upon trial, I deem it my duty to find out whether the law has been flagrantly and persistently set aside and defied by persons in high places. I propose to do some things this morning about which I have not consulted the prosecuting attorneys and for which they may not wish to take the responsibility. I take that upon myself. I propose to find out what citizens have been frequenting the Battery Park hotel during the past two years, or during the last six years, because this matter turns largely upon the proprietor of that hotel during the past six years and is germane to this investigation. Let the two clerks at the Battery Park hotel be sworn.

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**FRED CAME BACK BUT HE IS NOT HERE NOW**

Fred Coleman came back. True Fred did not want to come back, but nevertheless he is here; that is, he was here; for since Police court this morning, Fred has gone to the camp to contribute towards making the Buncombe county roads the best in the world.

On November 19 Fred's father appeared at the police station and had warrants sworn out against Fred charging him with trespassing and vagrancy. When the case was called next morning Fred appealed to Judge Adams to be allowed to leave the city, never to return, and to this the court agreed. On leaving the court room Fred told those who cared to hear that he was through with Asheville; that he was going for good.

Yesterday it was found by members of the department that Fred had failed to keep his promise and he was haled to court again. This morning Judge Adams gave him 30 days each in the cases against him, one to begin at the expiration of the other. So now for 60 days at least Fred will be "out" of the city.

Hear Prof. Honline at Y. M. C. A. tonight at 8 o'clock. 251-21

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