

DEATH KNELL OF PAYNE BILL

Senator Elkins Says That The Bill As It Now Stands Will Never Become a Law.

Washington, Special.—Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, Tuesday announced that he believed to be the death knell of the Payne tariff bill in its present shape, when he declared in the most emphatic terms that such a bill as that presented to the House for adoption by the ways and means committee would never become a law, and that if necessary the Senate would remain in session until Christmas, if required to do so, to get a bill more acceptable to all sections of the country. This is the opinion also expressed by many other Senators. They maintain that a close analysis will show that such a bill as that now proposed would be most harmful to the interests of the South and that, as millions of dollars of money belonging to Eastern capitalists are invested there, such a bill will never become a law.

Objections to the bill because it increases the taxation on the necessities of life, and that those articles are needed by the poor man more liberally to him. That the maximum and minimum features of the bill are loosely drawn and if placed in operation, would be both burdensome to the American and otherwise be hurtful to American relations. That the drawback provisions of the bill will work out injuriously to the wheat raisers of the great West, and otherwise be hurtful to American industries. That the inheritance tax provisions interfere with the State laws bearing on the same subject. That the bill is lacking in any reciprocal features, which would enable the United States to make favorable trade arrangements. That the system of valuation based on the American wholesale market price is of doubtful wisdom, and will work to increase duties. That too much has been done to

DEPRESSION DOES NOT EFFECT THE DAM.

Washington, Special.—Chairman Goethals, of the Isthmian canal commission, who is about to return to Panama, said Friday that the three hundred feet of embankment of the rebuilt Panama Railroad line which Thursday's dispatches from Colon report had settled about thirty feet, was a mile and a half from the Gatun dam, and therefore, has no direct bearing in connection with the construction of that portion of the canal waters. The settling occurred at a place where the re-located road is being constructed over a swamp. The road is being raised from a height of 6 feet to 95 feet above sea level. "Unless there is some unforeseen difficulty such as labor trouble or an epidemic of some kind, I feel confident that the canal will be opened by January 1, 1915," said Colonel Goethals Friday. "I was originally an advocate of a sea level canal at Panama. That was at a time when I formed my judgment upon what seemed to be the demand of commerce and from general information concerning conditions that would be encountered. Going to the isthmus about two years ago, observation and

A CRISIS NOW REACHED IN THE BALKANS

Paris, by Cable.—It is held in official circles that the Balkan situation on account of the irreconcilable attitude of the Austro-Hungarian government has now reached a most acute stage and that the next few days will decide between peace and war. The efforts of Great Britain, France and Russia to present a formula for the settlement of the dif-

KIDNAPER BOYLE IS LANDED BEHIND THE JAIL BARS

Mercer, Va., Special.—Heavily manacled to Sheriff Chess, and guarded by several detectives, James Boyle, one of the kidnapers of little Billy Whittle, was brought here Friday from Pittsburg and lodged in the Mercer county jail. His wife, it is said, will be brought here from Pittsburg and the couple will be formally arraigned on a charge of kidnaping in a few days. Boyle feared violence on his arrival in Mercer, and on the journey from Pittsburg asked Sheriff Chess if he thought the crowd would harm him. The prisoner looked

CASTRO TO FIGHT FOR HIS LOST POWER IN VENEZUELA

Paris, by Cable.—Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezuela, left Thursday morning for Bordeaux. At the station Senor Castro confided to a small group of Venezuelan admirers his intention of re-establishing his power in Venezuela by a revolution, should this be necessary. After entering the car he leaned from a window and spoke with an earnestness and passion which left no doubt

THE CHILD RESTORED; KIDNAPERS CAUGHT

Required Ransom Paid Agent—Mar and Woman Described by Willie Whittle Arrested—The Woman Had the Money and Confessed—Gov. Stuart Offers \$15,000 Reward—Identified on Wednesday—The Boys Description Led the Police to Suspect the Man and Woman.

On Monday J. P. Whittle, father of Willie, the kidnaped boy, received a note telling him where to go and communicate with a woman in Cleveland, Ohio, who would tell him how to secure the boy. The first plan having failed on account of the watching of detectives, Mr. Whittle went alone, found the woman and paid the \$10,000. He then returned to the Hollenden Hotel and waited. The kidnaper dressed Willie in disguise, paid the fare and saw him off on the car. He was soon in the arms of his father and back to Sharon where the whole town went wild in rejoicing over Willie's return.

Cleveland, O., Special.—In the arrest here Tuesday night of a man and woman having \$9,790 in their possession, the police believe they have captured the kidnapers of Willie Whittle. In fact, the woman in the case, who is somewhat befuddled, admitted that she had been responsible for the kidnaping. When placed in custody at the central police station she said to Captain Shattuck: "I am the one who planned the whole thing. There will be trouble for me and hell in Sharon to-morrow."

Beneath the woman's skirt was found \$9,790. All of it but \$49 was found in packages with the original slips placed on the money when Whittle took it from the banks still around it.

Whittle says he has the numbers on the currency bills handed the kidnapers and the police are comparing the notes found in the possession of the prisoners with the memoranda of Whittle. Sharon people who heard of the arrests in Cleveland suspect a woman well known there. The woman suspected has not been living with her husband for some time, but has been making her home there. She is said to have had intimate knowledge of the Whittle family and to have known that Mr. Whittle would unquestionably give up any amount for the recovery of his son.

Gov. Stuart offered a reward of \$15,000 for the arrest and conviction of the kidnapers.

On Wednesday Willie Whittle identified the man and woman held on suspicion by the Cleveland police as the persons who kidnaped him from the school at Sharon, Pa., last Thursday and held him for the \$10,000 ransom which was paid by his father, Attorney J. P. Whittle, Monday.

Willie said the man, who gave the name of James H. Boyle, was the one who took him from school and carried him through a tortuous route to Cleveland, then to Ashland, back to this city and placed him in the house in the east end, where he was held until the money was paid. Willie also declared that the woman was the one who cared for him at the house where he was detained and who acted the part of a nurse.

Boyle Says Woman is His Wife. Boyle said the woman is his wife. The police have no other identification of the couple than the names given. So far as the man is concerned the police believe the name is correct. Boyle is said to reside in Sharon, and is a plumber by trade. He is said to have a widowed mother, four brothers and a sister.

The woman, who is accredited with being the wife of Boyle, declared soon after her arrest that her identification would cause a sensation in Sharon. When identification was completed, Mr. Whittle would say nothing regarding the woman. He said he knew Boyle slightly. A woman, known as Mary Diener, who, the police say, may have been an associate of the kidnaper, or was implicated in the plot, committed suicide Wednesday by drinking morphine. The woman drank the poison while standing in front of a drug store in the east end, not far from the house in which Willie Whittle was detained here. She died in an ambulance while being taken to a hospital.

Provide For Ex-Presidents. Washington, Special.—Two bills affecting ex-presidents have been introduced in the House. One, offered by Representative Coudrey, of Missouri, makes them honorary members of the United States Senate for life, and as such gives them a salary of \$25,000 per annum. The other, introduced by Representative Bennett, of New York, provides that ex-presidents of the United States shall have a seat in the House of Representatives, with the right of debating, but not of voting. Under this bill they would receive the same compensation and allowances as members.

Within 111 Miles of the South Pole Lieutenant E. H. Shackleton of the British navy, has just returned to New Zealand and reports that his expedition which left in July, 1907, reached the South Magnetic pole and came within 111 miles of the South Pole proper. The theory of a still air zone about the pole is practically disproven. At the point where the party was compelled to turn back the altitude is 9,000 feet.

ON THE WAR-PATH

Creek Indians in Oklahoma in Arms Against Government.

CRAZY SNAKE IS THEIR LEADER

Two Hundred Red Men, Armed to the Teeth, Rise Against Lawful Authority and Announce That They Will Fight to the Death.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Special.—Five companies of Oklahoma militia marched Sunday against Crazy Snake's band of Creek Indians, half-breeds and negroes, entrenched in the Hickory Hills, 7 miles from Henrietta.

A battle is regarded as inevitable, as the heavily-armed troops set out either to capture or exterminate the murderous band, which since Thursday has caused the death of six men, the wounding of many others, and brought about a condition of terror. Leaving Henrietta at 3 o'clock with seven miles to go, and encumbered with arms and equipment, it was expected the troops could not reach the Indians before 7 o'clock.

Crazy Snake's men number about 200, all armed with modern rifles and plentifully supplied with ammunition. They had prepared for two months for this final stand against lawful authority. They sent out word that they would fight to the death.

Crazy Snake's band strongly entrenched itself early in the day and was reinforced from time to time.

Crazy Snake is in personal command. This was established by testimony checked out of his college-bred son by means of a nice new inch rope.

Young Harjo, strung up by the determined deputies until nearly dead, gasped out that his father was in command; named the Indian who killed the deputies, told the officers how to trail the band and did everything which a storical Red Man is supposed not to do.

This first real Indian uprising of years has held this region on edge for three days. It broke out last Thursday when several deputy sheriffs went to Henrietta to arrest negro cattle thieves. They were fired on by negro half-breed friends and forced to retreat. Returning with additional forces they were fired on by the band, then augmented by some of Crazy Snake's Indians. Three negroes were killed and five wounded, according to the official reports, although it is thought that many more Indians were wounded. This clash resulted in 41 arrests.

Marshal Edward Baum and Deputy Sheriff Herman Odum were the deputies killed.

Have Negro Allies. A Stibhan special says an engagement between officers and Indians occurred near there Sunday morning, in which several Indians were wounded. Both the Indians and negroes, many of the latter allied with the Creeks, took their wounded into the hills, which made it impossible to learn definitely the casualties. The number of the dead since Thursday is placed unofficially at six.

The bodies of Marshal Baum and Herman Odum were taken to Enfield. There was evidence that Crazy Snake and his family had left hurriedly in the night. After Chitti Harjo, Crazy Snake's son, struggled hard against yielding, whispered "Let down, tell—all-know" the noise was lost and he gave a complete list of Indians who participated in the fight of the previous night and confessed that his father, instead of being in Washington, was at the head of the outlaw bands scattered among the hills of the former Creek nation.

"Those were your father's tracks in the yard this morning?" asked Deputy Jones.

Harjo's Confession. "Those were his tracks," said the Indian, who then told that Charles Coker, reputed as a dangerous Indian outlaw, had fired the shots which killed Baum and Odum. His confession also revealed for the first time some of the real secrets of generalship over the Creeks.

"Coker is an expert shot," he said, "and was fully 300 yards distant when he made fine targets of the bodies of the officers. He is scouting now with the band and will be hard to catch."

With Crazy Snake's whereabouts almost definitely established, the officers prepared with the aid of the military to crush the Indians in the fight which it was believed was imminent.

Crazy Snake Means Trouble. Henrietta, Okla., Special.—A posse reached Crazy Snake's house Sunday and searched the place. The found the record of enrollment of Indians whom Crazy Snake has been organizing to fight for what he regards as liberty. The documents furnished indisputable evidence that the old chief was, trying to incite a general uprising.

WASHINGTON NOTES

Freemont in Disgrace. Major Francis P. Freemont, Fifth United States Infantry, is to be dismissed from the army as a result of his conviction by court-martial in Cuba on the charge of insubordination. President Taft having approved the sentence of the court Wednesday. Major Freemont is a son of the "Pathfinder," and is now stationed at Plattsburg Barracks, New York.

An official statement regarding the reasons for dismissal says: "Major Freemont was convicted of charges of knowingly making false statements in regard to another officer of the army and of making a false statement in regard thereto to an inspector general in violation of the 61st Article of War, end of making derogatory statements to junior officers about their senior officer in violation of the 62d Article of War."

Roosevelt Order Revoked.

The last remaining vestige of the Roosevelt order taking marines off the battleships and cruisers of the United States navy was swept away Friday when President Taft, after the matter had been considered at a cabinet meeting, directed that an order be issued restoring the marines to exactly the same duties that they performed prior to their being ordered ashore. After Congress had placed a provision in the navy appropriation bill to the effect that a certain percentage of the marine corps should be assigned to ship duty, an order was issued the day before President Roosevelt went out of office restoring the marines to ships, but placing them under the orders of the captains of the vessel on which they were to serve. Under the old order of things the marines were given specific duties. One of these was to fight certain guns of the secondary battery. The order placing them under the direction of the ship's captain made it possible to assign the marines to any sort of duty and to deprive them of fighting any part of the ship's battery.

Punish Kidnapping by Death.

To define the crime of kidnaping and provide punishment therefor, in the District of Columbia. This is the title of a bill that Representative Rodenburg (Ill.) introduced Tuesday. It was suggested by the harrowing experience of little Willie Whittle, of Sharon, Pa.

Wants to Finish Canal in July, 1913.

It developed Wednesday that during a recent conversation between President Taft and Chairman Goethals of the Isthmian Canal Commission the President expressed his desire that the canal be completed by July 4th, 1913. Colonel Goethals, however, is not at all sanguine of accomplishing any such results, holding to his heretofore expressed opinion that January 1, 1915, will see the canal open to navigation. Colonel Goethals will leave New York for Panama next Saturday.

In order to expedite discussion of the tariff bill in the House, unanimous consent Saturday was given that the sessions hereafter shall begin at 10 o'clock of 11 o'clock a. m.; that a recess should be taken at 6 and that resuming at 8 o'clock the sessions should continue until 10:30 p. m. each day. The request for unanimous consent was made by Mr. Payne, who said that there already were 40 or 50 members who had indicated their desire to speak.

Mr. Clark, of Missouri, the minority leader, asked how long general debate would continue. He said he was much embarrassed by his lack of information. When his Democratic colleagues asked for time in which to speak he found it difficult to make allotments. Mr. Payne replied that he was suffering under a similar embarrassment, but did not supply the information desired.

Without any intimation having been given as to when the general debate on the measure shall cease the bill was laid before the House.

Declaring that there would be no discussion in the Democratic ranks of the House with regard to the tariff and that the Fitzgerald amendment to the rules made it possible for the minority to express its views upon amendments to the bill by a record vote, Representative Harrison, of New York, discussed various features of the Payne measure.

Silly Canard.

On last Saturday morning it was flashed over the wires all along the line that the U. S. Battleship Mississippi had been blown up at Guantanamo, Cuba. The ill-fated Maine came quickly into mind and the resultant war with Spain and ours was a nation on tiptoe of expectation. Message after message said it was so reported, till finally before noon the report was declared only a silly canard. The Mississippi is safe and the 750 men said to dead are living and happy.

Mrs. Boyle Makes Sensation.

Pittsburg, Special.—Making a sensational and foolhardy attempt to escape from a train going at the rate of 30 miles an hour; denying that she had a hand in the kidnaping of little Willie Whittle; asserting that she is not Anna McDermott, of Chicago; saying that numerous other stories are absolutely incorrect, and through it all strictly maintaining the great air of mystery that surrounded her.

NORTH STATE HAPPENINGS

Occurrences of Interest Gleaned From All Sections of the Busy Tar Heel State

New Interest in Good Roads.

Lexington, Special.—Discussion of good roads, bonds and special road tax goes on apace in Davidson. Since the recent visit of the Davidson farmers to Mecklenburg, there has been a remarkable increase in good roads sentiment. Leading farmers in various sections of the county are publishing letters weekly in the local press advocating bonds for roads. At no time in the history of Davidson has there been such interest manifested in the road question. This is partly due to the condition of the highways at this time. The roads were never worse and indeed are well-nigh impassible in places. The Davidson farmers seem determined to do something and it would not be surprising if under a law applying to Davidson, a bond election is called at no distant date. The Dispatch, which sent the Davidson farmers to Mecklenburg, is now carrying on a popularity contest in Davie and Yadkin counties for the same purpose—of sending 45 farmers from those counties on a trip to Mecklenburg to see the roads there.

Burned With a House.

Weldon, Special.—Fire Saturday night completely destroyed the handsome country dwelling known as the Whitehead place, near Weldon. The owners by Mr. W. B. Drewry. The occupants of the house, Mr. and Mrs. Will Carroll, and their four-week-old baby, barely escaped with their lives, and a colored boy, who slept in the barn was burned to death. When Mr. Carroll awoke the bed was on fire and his wife's hair was burning. Claspings the sleeping infant to her breast, Mrs. Carroll fled from the room in her night robes, followed by her husband. The night was cold and for several hours they were exposed to the night winds before help could arrive. Mrs. Carroll is prostrated. The body of the colored boy was entirely consumed only his heart being left in a charred condition. The building was a splendid two story barn, newly remodeled, with metal roof and was valued at \$2,500. It was insured for \$1,500.

Parents Desert Child.

Asheville, Special.—An interesting case of desertion has come to the attention of the police of the city. The deserted is a baby girl two or three weeks old and the victim of the evident plot at desertion is an old negro woman named Lillie Jackson. It was just dusk when the man, having every appearance of a high-bred gentleman, told the old negro that he and his wife had been suddenly called away for a few days and giving other plausible excuses requested that the woman keep the child until their return. The man gave the woman \$3 in money, a quantity of clothing for the babe and also some prepared baby food. He left and since that time has never been heard from. The woman took good care of the child and is deeply attached to it. It will be turned over to one of the charitable institutions till a home can be found for it.

Dr. Elliot at Greensboro.

Greensboro, Special.—In an address before the students of Guilford college Wednesday Dr. Charles W. Elliot, retiring president of Harvard university, denied that competition between endowed and State educational institutions is hurtful. He said competition everywhere helps and promotes growth, adding "that is why protection to American industries is harmful to those very industries." Dr. Elliot's subject was "Public Spirit the Virtue of Free Men."

Death Due to Drink.

Burlington, Special.—The lifeless body of Dolph Fancette was found Monday morning in a barn near his home, about six miles north of Burlington. The verdict of the coroner's jury was that death was due to excessive drinking. W. M. Beckom was found asleep in the same room, and near the body of Mr. Fancette.

Death by Assassins.

Wilmington, Special.—Jerry Bigford, a young white farmer and store keeper, living near Freeman's, Columbus county, was murdered Monday night by an assassin, who fired upon him through a window of his home, where he lived alone. The sheriff was notified and with bloodhounds traced the supposed assassin to and across Cape Fear river, where Cleveland Russ and Stillmore Russ, brothers, were arrested, one of the number being a rival of young Bigford for the hand of a Miss Squires of an adjoining county, whom the dead man was to marry Tuesday.

Government Seizes Flour.

Raleigh, N. C., Special.—Acting under instructions from U. S. Inspector Wagner, the United States marshal here has just made the first seizure in this State of flour for violation of the government regulations of the pure food department. The seizure is for short weight, the flour put up by the Riverton Mills, Virginia, as "sixteenth barrels" weighing only ten pounds. The seizure was from the W. C. Brewer Company, at Wake Forest.

Will Unveil Monument.

Salisbury, Special.—A monument in honor of the Rowan county soldiers in the Civil War will be unveiled by the Robert F. Hoke Chapter, United Confederate Veterans, of Salisbury, on May 8. The shaft, which is the result of eight years of hard work by the chapter, will be erected on Innis Street, one of the principal thoroughfares of Salisbury. An elaborate program is in preparation for the event.

Y. M. C. A. Convention.

The sixth annual convention of the Y. M. C. A.'s of North and South Carolina, held in Charlotte, N. C., and one of the most successful of the entire series, came to a close Sunday night at a meeting held for the special benefit of the delegates. A meeting was held for these in the morning and in addition there were the usual special services for men and boys at other hours. At the meeting Sunday night talks were made by Messrs. R. H. King, of Charleston, S. C., Julian M. Smith, field secretary; James E. Johnson, secretary of students' and boys' work; J. S. Klutz, office secretary of the interstate executive committee; D. L. Probert, secretary of the Charlotte Y. M. C. A.; P. M. Colbert, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Winston-Salem; E. E. Barnett, secretary of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; L. P. Hollis, of Greenville, S. C.; G. C. Huntington, of Charlotte, and Dr. George J. Fisher, of New York. Unanimous was the sentiment expressed that the meeting had been far more than worth while. "It has more than fulfilled our expectations," said many. General regret was expressed that the meeting which had been so fruitful in results and so pleasant had, like everything else, to come to an end at last. Before adjournment, suitable resolutions were passed expressing much gratification at the cordial reception and splendid entertainment of the body by the citizens of Charlotte.

Ex-Police in Jail.

Durham, Special.—Albert V. Sorrell, the ex-policeman, who is being sued by Henry F. Edwards for \$10,000 damages for alienating the affections of his wife and destroying the happiness of his home, is now in jail. He was arrested on a warrant for bond and bail to sustain the action and being unable or unwilling to give bond in the sum of \$5,000 he was committed to jail late Tuesday night. There he has remained since then. This combines a civil and a criminal action and the \$5,000 bond required is not an appearance bond but is one to sustain the action that is now brought by Edwards. On this account the bond has not been given. Sorrell is worth all of \$10,000, but since his person is attached in this later action he cannot get to his property to secure his bond. He and his advisers are unwilling that his friends should take up responsibility of probably having to settle the damage suit and he went to jail.

Family Has Narrow Escape.

Fayetteville, Special.—The family of Oliver Thratt, a trucker and inventor, living on the outskirts, Tuesday morning narrowly escaped a harrowing death, when between 1 and 2 o'clock the father was awakened by a burning shingle falling on his hand. The household was aroused and made their escape just in time, for as they fled from the building the roof came crashing in. They were housed and clothed by kindly neighbors. It was afterwards learned that the \$600 insurance policy, which was burned with the house, expired at noon of the same day.

State Boundary Question.

Washington, Special.—The Supreme Court of the United States granted the petition of the State of North Carolina for leave to file an original bill in that court for a demarcation of the boundary between that State and Tennessee at the crossing of the Tennessee river.

Gets Good Lift.

Salisbury, Special.—John Ridgeway, a blacksmith by trade, is now in Salisbury collecting amounts aggregating \$20,000 to which he has fallen heir by the estate of his brother, William Ridgeway, who died recently in Alabama. The two brothers came to America from England in 1884 and had been separated since that time.

N. C. Senators on Important Committees.

Washington, Special.—In the new committee assignments in the Senate North Carolina fares well. Senator Overman is placed upon the new committee to be known as Conservation of National Resources. This will be an important committee. Senator Simmons goes to the Finance Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of the venerable Senator Teller. This committee has charge of all matters pertaining to revenue and taxation as well as finance, currency and banking.

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