

NO WEATHER REPORT TODAY. THIS BEING A NATIONAL HOLIDAY.

GENERAL WOOD AND THE ARMY CAUSE FIGHT

The Senate and House Members Will Tell About the Many Scandals.

IS EXPECTED WHEN THE BILL COMES UP

House May Balk at Some of the Conclusions.

Washington, May 29.—A hard debate is expected in the Senate when the conference report on the Army Appropriation bill comes up for action.

The anti-administration amendments legislating Major Gen. Leonard Wood out of office as chief of staff is expected to create the most uproar.

It would bar any officer after March 5 next from being chief of staff except after at least ten years' service as a commissioned line officer.

It would provide four-year details of officers in the staff corps, departments and general staff corps, who then would be ineligible for further service until after at least two years' service until the branch of the army in which they are commissioned.

Before the row is over, members expect to have uncovered a number of serious charges of collusion between members of the House and officers of the army who are and have been unfriendly to Gen. Wood and the military element he represents.

PRaise SERVICE WAS A VERITABLE FEAST

The praise service held at the First Methodist Church last night was largely attended and the service was a veritable feast of good things.

OPERATED UPON

Miss Viola Smith, of Vancouver, N. C., was successfully operated upon at the Washington Hospital yesterday afternoon.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS IN TODAY'S NEWS

- J. K. Hoyt. Postum Cereal Company. J. F. Jackson. Cousins Supply Co.

U.S. WARLIKE TOWARD THE CUBAN ISLE

Battleship Fleet Hurries on And Other Ships Are Now in Readiness.

ARMY ORGANIZATION NOW RECRUITING

Depredations and Threats on the Increase.

Washington, May 29.—Preparations by the Administration for intervention in Cuba and an indefinite occupation of the island continue with as much vigor as during the last few days.

Striking evidence of the purpose of the United States to take action was shown today when Acting Secretary of the Navy Benjamin Witherop ordered the following colliers and supply ships of the navy to load and proceed to join the second squadron of the Atlantic fleet.

President Taft received yesterday through the State Department a protest from President Gomez against the assembling of a large force of warships in Cuban waters or any action by the United States which could lead the world to understand that the American Government was going to intervene.

I am sincerely gratified to learn of your government's energetic measures to put down the disturbances and to know that you are confident of being successful.

That message went out this morning. It was received in Cuba, and was the subject of discussion by the Cuban Cabinet before 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Despite the note to President Gomez, officials of the Administration here assert that the United States will have troops in Cuba within the week.

LAWN PARTY AT PINEVILLE SATURDAY

There will be a lawn party given by the Ladies Betterment Association at the Old Howard Homestead, Pineville, N. C., Saturday night, June 1st for the benefit of the new school house.

ANOTHER AERIAL MAIL TEST

Washington, May 29.—Postmaster-General Hitchcock has authorized the postmaster at Cliffdale, Mass., to despatch mail by aeroplane from Cliffdale to Lynn, a distance of four miles.



—But Keep Off the Main Road if You Would Enjoy the Scenery.

GREAT PLAN TO RECLAIM SWAMP LAND

Washington, D. C., May 29.—A gigantic plan to reclaim 80,000,000 acres of swamp and overflowed lands in the United States has been announced.

Whereas, there are in the United States 80,000,000 acres of swamp and overflowed lands that are not only nonproductive, but a hindrance to the general welfare and a menace to the public health,

Whereas practically all of this land is held in private ownership and it is necessary to have the consent and co-operation of the owners of this land in order to inaugurate a complete system of drainage and reclamation,

Whereas the reclamation of these swamp and overflowed lands will be of great benefit to the owners thereof, to the state in which the land is situated, and also to the Federal Government, because of the improvement in the public health, and in the construction of public highways and in the increase in the agricultural products of the country,

Therefore be it resolved, 1. That an educational campaign be inaugurated to set forth to the people of the United States, and especially to the owners of swamp and overflowed land, the economic value of reclaiming these lands to make them fit for agriculture.

Today Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida, President of the Southern Commercial Congress, appointed the following commission of leading

LOCAL FIRM GETS CONTRACT AT MT OLIVE

Mr. C. F. Bland, of the Harris Hardware Company has just returned from Charlotte, N. C., where he closed a contract for the company to install a water plant at the town of Mount Olive, N. C.

GREAT EVENT FOR THE CITY JULY FOURTH

On the Fourth of July we ought to have something doing in Washington. To my mind nothing will attract the attention of the public as to secure some one to come here with a flying machine and make a few flights around the city.

THREE ANTI-FLY RULES FOR YOUR HOME

- 1. Screen all doors and windows. 2. Cover all your foodstuffs. 3. Remove all refuse and filth from house, yard, and outhouses, and thus prevent flies from breeding on your premises.

OFFICE CHANGED

Mr. Frank H. Bryan has just opened an office for the practice of his profession, the law, has changed his office from the building opposite the Courthouse to the second floor of the Savings and Trust Company.

CONDITION NO BETTER

The condition of Mrs. E. L. Dawson is reported to be no better. Mrs. Dawson is one of Washington's highly esteemed citizens and her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery to health.

BELHAVEN IS VISITED BY A \$100,000 FIRE

Box Factory, Lumber Sheds and Two and a Half Million Feet of Lumber of Interstate Cooperaage Company Destroyed.

NO INSURANCE WAS CARRIED

Over 250 Men Are Out Of Employment. The Company Will Not Rebuild It is Stated.

Belhaven was visited by a One Hundred Thousand Dollar fire early this morning and in consequence two hundred and fifty employees are thrown out of employment.

The fire was first discovered about one thirty o'clock in the box factory of the Interstate Cooperaage Company plant. When first seen it was under considerable headway and too far gone to save the box factory.

The alarm of fire was immediately given and the fire department of Belhaven and the citizens generally promptly responded.

The fire as above stated was first discovered about 1:30 o'clock and was not gotten under control until near 5 o'clock this morning.

In addition to the box factory, lumber sheds, lumber and railroad cars destroyed the town suffers an irreparable loss in having the employees idle.

Mr. J. B. Clark, of the Interstate Cooperaage Company in talking to a Daily News man over the phone states that it is not probable the plant will be rebuilt.

CRYSTAL ICE COMPANY INSTALLS STORAGE PLANT

The Crystal Ice Company of this city has just completed one of the most modern and up-to-date ice storage rooms in this section of the state.

STILL IMPROVES

Mr. Cowell, son of Mr. J. F. Cowell who was operated on at Washington Hospital Monday continued to improve to the satisfaction of his numerous friends.

WITH THE

Two 12-round with Champion is marked to the Jimmy Walsh.

OLD WYOMING DAYS AT LYRIC THEATER

Tonight "Old Wyoming Days" comes to the Lyric. This subject consisting of three great western reels of the most exciting western life are to be shown.

It tells in thrilling manner of Indian life as it really is in the reservations, of the Indians skill on a horse, of his powers as a hunter.

HOW TONIGHT

carnival to be given at the residence of Mr. John K. Hoyt, corner of Bridge and Second Streets this evening from 8 to 10 o'clock and also Friday night promises to be an unique attraction.

CONSIDERABLE EXCITEMENT

No little excitement was caused on the streets of the city early this morning when the report was current that Interstate Cooperaage plant at Belhaven had been consumed by fire.