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HOUSE HAS VOTED TO FORTIFY CANAL

Appropriates \$3,000,000 to Begin Work.

TOTAL ESTIMATE \$12,000,000.

Action of the House Practically Settles the Question of Fortification, as the Sentiment of the Senate is in Favor of Same.

The house of representatives voted overwhelmingly in favor of the policy of fortifying the Panama canal, and appropriated \$3,000,000 to begin the work, the total cost of which has been estimated at \$12,000,000, after a lengthy debate.

The action of the house practically settles the question of fortification, for the sentiment in the senate is said to be more than 2 to 1 in favor of protecting the Isthmian waterway by sea-coast batteries.

The real test in the house came on an amendment proposed by Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, chairman of the committee on appropriations. Mr. Tawney has been opposed to fortifying the canal from the first, and made a forceful speech against that policy near the close of the debate. He then offered an amendment, which provided that no part of the money set aside for fortification should be used until the president of the United States had attempted to negotiate treaties with all of the leading maritime nations guaranteeing the neutrality and international protection of the canal.

Representative Sherley, of Kentucky, bitterly attacked this amendment and warned members that it had been introduced for the sole purpose of defeating the appropriation.

The Tawney amendment then was voted down, 130 to 63. A motion by Representative Keifer, of Ohio, to strike out all provision for the fortification of the canal was lost, 135 to 51.

The final interest in the debate seemed to center in the Tawney amendment, and the speeches made for and against it by Mr. Tawney and Mr. Sherley.

WAS SOLDIER OF FORTUNE

John Boyd, Hero of Crimean War, and British Writer Dies in Huntsville.

John Boyd, chief editorial writer of the Mercury-Banner and Weekly Mercury, of Huntsville, Ala., and for many years connected with the staffs of many newspapers in the east and north, died in that city, after a brief illness.

Mr. Boyd was about 75 years old and leaves a widow. Mr. Boyd was born in Ireland and in early life entered the British army.

He fought in the Crimean war and in the campaign in India that suppressed the Sepoy rebellion. He was a soldier in the column that cut its way through millions of Sepoy's to the relief of Lucknow, and his descriptive writings of that campaign, appearing in the Liverpool Gazette a short time later, attracted much attention.

As a staff correspondent of the Liverpool paper, he came to America and was so charmed with this country that he remained and took up journalistic work in the large cities of the east. Thirty years ago he was with the Cincinnati Enquirer, later with the Republican Banner in Nashville and then came to Huntsville and became a member of the first staff of the Daily Mercury.

His writings covered a wide range of subjects and his knowledge of politics and history was apparently unlimited.

CANAL BONDS.

Issue of \$50,000,000 May Be Made by Government.

An issue of \$30,000,000 to \$50,000,000 of 3 per cent Panama bonds seems certain to be made as soon as congress passes the bill authorizing the secretary of the treasury to withhold the new securities from use as a basis for additional national bank notes.

In the event that the present opposition to the legislation affecting the bonds should prevent its passage, an issue of 3 per cent certificates of indebtedness, having one year to run, is probable. That is the treasury's tentative plan now.

In view of the sale of about \$100,000,000 industrial improvement bonds during January and the prediction that about \$500,000,000 more will find their way to market in the next few months, treasury officials agree that this is a propitious time for an issue of government securities.

Atlantic Liners.

It takes 7,000 tons of coal to bring one of the modern liners across the Atlantic ocean.

ROBBED OF \$10,523.

Postmistress of Kansas Town Is Held Up.

Mrs. Gus Joseph, postmistress at Fuller, a coal camp, near Pittsburg, Kan., was held up by two highwaymen and robbed of \$10,000, which she had just received by express from Kansas City. The money was to have been used to pay off employees of the Sheridan Coal Company.

The money was in one package. Two other packages, containing \$10,000 each, were not found by the robbers.

The money was sent from Kansas City. There was \$30,523 in the three packages. The train was met by Mrs. Joseph and Albert Briggs, cashier of the company.

The money was consigned to an express company, of which Mrs. Joseph was agent.

Mrs. Joseph took a package containing \$10,523 and left the depot first. As she stepped out of the door, a masked man, with a revolver, confronted her and demanded the money. Another robber stood near by. Mrs. Joseph handed over the money.

Briggs, who was close behind, saw what was going on, and threw his two packages, containing \$10,000 each, into a corner.

The robbers did not linger to determine whether they had secured all the money, but ran to a buggy and escaped.

TERRELL RECOVERING.

Georgia Member Is on Fair Road to Recovery.

Senator Terrell has been removed from the hospital where he has been confined for over two weeks, or since his sudden attack of cerebral hemorrhage, to his apartments in the Hotel Cochran, Washington, D. C.

The senator's condition is reported to be much improved, and he even expects to be able to attend a session of the senate before adjournment, March 4. He sees several visitors each day, and a day or so ago had a long interview with his secretary, J. G. Perry, on business matters.

"Senator Terrell is making a winning fight against his illness, and will make a winning fight before the Georgia legislature," said Mr. Perry after the conference. "He is in the contest to the close."

THREE DEAD, \$500,000 LOST.

Louisiana Town Practically Wiped Out By Raging Fire.

A loss estimated at \$500,000 was sustained Wednesday when flames, originating in the kitchen of the Nicollis hotel, spread rapidly and almost totally destroyed the business district of Donaldsonville, La. Three lives are reported lost.

It is understood that the fire was started by an explosion of a gasoline stove. With almost incredible rapidity the flames leaped across the street and fed by highly inflammable material developed into a conflagration beyond the control of the local fire fighters. Hurry calls and special trains were sent to neighboring cities for apparatus. The flames started shortly after 9 o'clock in the morning, but it was 5 o'clock in the afternoon before they were under control.

ROBBED OF JEWELS.

Mrs. Drummond Loses Fortune in Gems on Ship.

Mrs. Maldwin Drummond, formerly Mrs. Marshall Field, Jr., of Chicago, was robbed of a fortune in jewels aboard a trans-Atlantic liner.

Diamonds, pearls and other gems to the value of approximately \$130,000 disappeared mysteriously from her stateroom on the steamship Amerika, of the Hamburg-American line.

The loss was reported immediately the liner docked at Hoboken, and the police of Hoboken and New York are working on the case.

Mrs. Drummond hurried to the Hotel Plaza, declining to discuss her loss.

The Hamburg-American line disclaims all responsibility on the ground that passengers leave jewels in their state rooms at the owner's risk.

BISHOP HEALIN DIES.

Widely Known Dignitary of Roman Catholic Church.

Right Rev. Thomas Healin, fifth bishop of the diocese of Natchez, Miss., and one of the most widely known dignitaries of the Roman Catholic Church in the southern states, died at the Episcopal residence in Natchez, his death resulting from an attack of heart trouble and Bright's disease, and the added complication of pneumonia.

Bishop Healin has been in indifferent health the greater part of the past year but it was not until several days ago that his condition was regarded as serious.

Bishop Healin was a native of Ireland and was in his 64th year.

ALLEGED BANDITS ARE RUN TO EARTH

Gang of Train Robbers Said to Be Identified.

CAUGHT IN LUMPKIN.

After Long Chase of Many Days Officers of the Law Believe They Have Caught the Gang Who Robbed Southern's Fast Mail.

Three men arrested in Lumpkin county, Ga., in connection with the hold-up and robbery of the Southern railway's fast mail, No. 36, near White Sulphur Springs, last Saturday, have been fully identified by parties connected in the case, including a portion of the train crew on the run the morning the train was robbed.

One of these prisoners, aged 65, who gives his name as John Doe, John Luck and also John Anderson, is sullen and reluctant to talk on the crime for which he is held.

The other two seem perfectly willing to talk in regard to the robbery, and have confessed everything. Upon their arrival at Gainesville, Ga., they were in a condition that necessitated their being placed in the hospital ward of the jail. Both refuse to divulge their identity. One of the men imparted information to detectives that led to the discovery of several valuable papers, documents, mortgages and jewelry, taken from the blown safe in the express car, and buried near the scene of the robbery.

Two more suspects, arrested at Ball Ground, Ga., were brought to Gainesville, and efforts are being made to connect them with the hold-up.

When the three men were captured in Lumpkin county there was found only \$3 American money on the entire trio, while they possessed over \$2,000 in British coin.

Mrs. Cooper, of White Sulphur Springs, has identified Luck as the man who bought a small quantity of coal oil from her store on the evening of the robbery.

The two younger prisoners stated that Luck secured the larger amount of the booty, which caused a row between the three, followed by a separation and their immediate arrest. They also stated that they were headed for Tennessee when captured.

RAID ON OCEAN LINER.

Conspiracy to Violate U. S. Immigration Laws.

Federal officers swept aboard a trans-Atlantic liner when she made her pier in New York and arrested every man in authority from captain down. All are charged with conspiracy to violate the United States immigration laws.

The steamship is the Athinal, of the Hellenic Trans-Atlantic Steamship Company, whose general agent at New York also was arrested. The government charges that the company has been smuggling in aliens for more than a year, some of them disguised as members of the crew, others hidden about the ship until there was no danger of search.

Nikolas A. Galanos, the agent, was released under \$20,000 bond, and his confidential secretary in \$15,000. Captain Gekas Klouras was released in \$10,000, as were his first officer, chief engineer, and Dr. Gerasimos Diakavatos, the ship's surgeon. Three other officers were held in \$10,000 bail each, and each of the eighteen members of the crew in \$5,000 each.

In all the government required \$195,000 bail. Judge Chatfield, sitting in the United States circuit court, before whom the indictments were read, set trial for March 1. The penalty for conspiracy is \$10,000 fine and two years' imprisonment, either or both, and for violating Section 8 of the immigration laws \$5,000 and two years, either or both.

A field agent of the immigration bureau at Washington, who worked up the case, had seventy-six names on his list, but only twenty-nine of them could be found on the Athinal when he boarded her at quarantine. No arrests were made until the ship moored in Brooklyn.

The passengers were taken off without confusion, and federal officers then searched the ship, arresting those wanted who could be found.

John McDougald, Luther Waller and Henry Terry died at Timpon, Texas, from the effects of injuries sustained when a boiler exploded at a lumber mill near Timpon. Five other workmen were injured but it is not thought fatal.

A Nashville, Tenn., dispatch says: Just before leaving for a business trip to Birmingham, Governor Hooper vetoed the Nashville charter bill recently passed by the legislature. The bill for passage over his veto will come up immediately after the recess.

GENERAL W. H. BIXBY.

Army Officer Who Is Raising Wreck of Battleship Maine.



TWO LYNCHINGS.

Georgia Mob Dealt Swift Vengeance to Negro Slayers.

Two negroes were taken from the jail at Warrenton, Ga., and lynched. They were carried to the outskirts of town, strung up and riddled with bullets.

One of the negroes was Charlie Jones, who shot and killed Conductor W. W. Thompson Thursday night, and the other was John Veazey, who, in November of last year, killed Charlie Parham, a white farmer, of this county.

The mob was quiet and orderly and met no resistance, as the sheriff was out of the city at the time the jail was broken open.

Few people of the town knew of the occurrence until daylight.

The bodies were unclaimed and were shipped to the Atlanta College of Physician and Surgeons by Dr. G. R. Maner under the recent law authorizing the anatomical board of Georgia to dispose of unclaimed bodies.

\$2,688,371 INCREASE.

Earnings of Railroads in Georgia for Year 1910.

An increase in net earnings amounting to \$2,688,371.29 is shown in the report just completed by the railroad commission of the net earnings of all the railroads operating in the state of Georgia, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1910, in comparison with the net earnings of the previous year. The year 1907, just before the big panic, was the largest year on record previous to the year ending June 30, 1909, and the net earnings for the year ending June 30, 1910, show an increase over the net earnings of that year amounting to \$5,107,342.75.

The gross earnings of the railroads for the year ending June 30, 1910, exceeded the gross earnings of the previous year by \$4,665,568.31, and exceeded the gross earnings of the banner year, 1907, by \$3,443,790.69.

FOR BETTER RATIONS.

Fight Begun More Than a Year Ago Is Successful.

The fight inaugurated more than a year ago for the betterment of the rations served in the various national soldiers' homes was won at Washington when the provision in the sundry civil bill, increasing the appropriation for this purpose by \$160,000, was adopted.

Representative Cox, of Ohio, called attention to the fact last year that the average ration in the soldiers' homes was 14½ cents, and that in some it was as low as 11 cents, or about the same as in the federal penitentiaries. The increase provided will bring the average rations up to 17 cents.

Through her attorneys, NEWS Colonel M. U. Moody and NOTES. Colonel E. A. Jones, Mrs. W. W. Smith, of LaGrange, Ga., filed suit for \$40,000 against the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic railroad for the death of her son, Custer Smith, who was killed by the A. B. & A. switch engine, in the LaGrange yard, on the night of February 7, while coupling cars near the depot.

Three passengers were killed, two other persons were fatally injured and many seriously hurt in a wreck of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe passenger train No. 410 near Stillwater, Okla. The wreck was caused by the dereliction of three coaches. It is believed the recent heavy rains undermined the track.

County Government.

Representative—Thos. S. Wood.
Clerk Superior Court—Cos. Paxton.
Sheriff and Tax Collector—Fred. A. Shuford.

Treasurer—Z. W. Nichols.
Register of Deeds—B. A. Gillespie.
Coroner—Dr. A. E. Lyday.
Surveyor—J. C. Wike.
Commissioners—W. L. Brooks, G. T. Lyday, Arthur Miller.

Superintendent of Schools—T. C. Henderson.

Physician—Dr. Goode Cheatham.
Attorney—R. L. Gash.

Town Government.

Mayor—W. E. Brees, jr.
Board of Aldermen—T. H. Shipman, J. M. Kilpatrick, T. M. Mitchell, F. L. DeVane, E. W. Carter.

Marshal—J. A. Galloway.
Clerk and Tax Collector—T. H. Galloway.

Treasurer—T. H. Shipman.

Health Officer—Dr. C. W. Hunt.
Regular meetings—First Monday night in each month.

SOUTHEASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY

Transylvania Division.

In effect January 2, 1911.

N. B.—Schedules figures given as information only, and not guaranteed.

No. Daily	Eastern Standard Time	No. Daily
STATIONS		
P. M.		A. M.
3 40	Asheville	11 30
3 45	Hendersonville	10 25
4 4	West Hendersonville	10 20
5 0	Yale	10 15
5 05	Horse Shoe	10 05
5 08	Cannon	10 02
5 13	Blowall	9 56
5 20	Blantyre	9 49
5 26	Penrose	9 42
5 34	Davidson River	9 33
5 38	Pisgah Forest	9 30
5 42	Brevard	9 24
5 55	Selma	9 08
6 02	Cherryfield	9 01
6 04	Calvert	8 58
6 05	Rosman	8 54
6 12	Galloways	8 48
6 21	Quebec	8 43
6 30	Reid's	8 34
6 40	Lake Toxaway	8 25

Nos. 5 and 6 are through trains between Asheville and Lake Toxaway.
No. 5 connects at Hendersonville with the Carolus Special for Spartanburg, Columbia and Charleston, and at Spartanburg with Nos. 11 and 12 for Atlanta and Charlotte.
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NOTICE—Change
in Hour of
Meeting.

By a vote of Dunns Rock Lodge at last regular communication the hour of meeting was changed and the following will be the hours until further notice: Jan. 13, 1911, meeting at 2 p. m. Hereafter the meetings will alternate—February, meeting at 8 p. m., March, at 2 p. m., etc.

All members are urged to attend these meetings. Visiting Masons cordially invited. Jan. 9, 1911.

WELCH GALLOWAY, Sec'y.

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks 1911
Almanac

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks' Almanac for 1911, that guardian Angel in a hundred thousand homes, is now ready. Not many are now willing to be without it and the Rev. Irl R. Hicks Magazine, Word and Works. The two are only One Dollar a year. The Almanac is 35c prepaid. No home or office should fail to send for them to Word and Works Publishing Company, St. Louis, Mo.