

PATTERSON AS PEACEMAKER STROVE IN VAIN

Governor Tells of Cooper's Promise Not to Send Threatening Letter.

PRESENCE DRAWS ENORMOUS CROWD

Other Witnesses For Defense Tell of Difference in Shots.

(By Associated Press.) NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 27.—Two facts stood out strongly in the Cooper-Sharp trial today. One was the calling by the defense of Gov. M. R. Patterson. The other was the failure of the state to cross-examine him.

So the defense called the governor today, did it reluctantly, some say, gladly according to others. The governor testified twice before the court and again before the jury.

Whatever Mrs. Burch said so impressed the governor that he took his private secretary and began a frenzied hunt for the colonel, commencing at 9 a. m. and ending at the Maxwell hotel at noon, where he found Cooper.

Somehow the news got out that the governor was to testify and half an hour before he testified the empty seats began to fill.

After he had told his story to the court while the jury was out Judge Hart decided that the governor could not repeat the conversation at this conference, but might state the result of the conference and describe the colonel's demeanor.

The state declined to cross-examine today, but reserved the right to recall the governor later. This decision followed a long conference of the state's attorneys and none of them would explain it.

The day's testimony was begun by T. Leigh Thompson, who resumed the stand for a few minutes. He testified that a green hat was handed him after the shooting and he remarked that it was Carmack's, but that he had never seen the senator wear a green hat.

"Would it be possible for any one to recognize a man standing near the scene of the killing from the corner?" (John Sharp swore that he did.)

"I do not think so."

The state aimed to prove that it was impossible for the cooper to recognize Senator Carmack nearly a block away.

Roscoe Matthews, a tailor, next told of meeting John Sharp the afternoon of the tragedy, corroborating part of Sharp's testimony. He was cross-examined very briefly.

Dr. Richard Drake, whose office was across the street from the scene of the killing, next told how he heard five shots, with an interval between the first and second shots, which were louder than the latter. He went

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HOUSE VOTES TO REINSTATE NEGRO RIOTERS

Forces Measure Through Against Protest of Southern Members.

UNCLE JOE IN TILT WITH FIERY GAINES

Extra Session to Revise Tariff Will Cost Over Half a Million.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The long fight of the discharged negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry for an opportunity to prove their innocence in connection with the "shooting up" of Brownsville, Texas, on the night of August 13, 1906, was won today when the house by a vote of 216 to 191, passed the senate bill to that end.

After many years of discussion of the subject, but without result, a joint resolution was adopted approving plans reducing the size of the house chamber.

Uncle-Joe Got Hot.

A sharp clash between Representative Gaines, of Tennessee, and Speaker Cannon occurred in the course of which each claimed he had been insulted by the other. So persistent was Mr. Gaines in addressing the chair when he declared out of order that the speaker directed the sergeant-at-arms "to compel him to be in order."

"It takes a student like the speaker," retorted Mr. Gaines, "to know what the rules are, and he has to study them every minute with somebody to prompt him."

"Orders Out Mace." "The gentleman from Tennessee," the speaker hotly replied, "is absolutely discourteous and mis-states the facts."

"The chair desires at all times to be as impartial as he can, but the practice has grown up occasionally for a member on the supposition that the speaker's tongue is tied to insult him and speaker will not submit to it."

"The tongue of the gentleman from Tennessee is tied and he is insulted by the chair. The speaker has done it for twelve years," replied Mr. Gaines.

"The speaker commanded Mr. Gaines to be in order."

"The speaker will be in order too," was Mr. Gaines' fling.

"Unable longer to stand Mr. Gaines' taunts the speaker ordered the sergeant-at-arms, 'to see that he remains in order.' It was then that the mace was taken down."

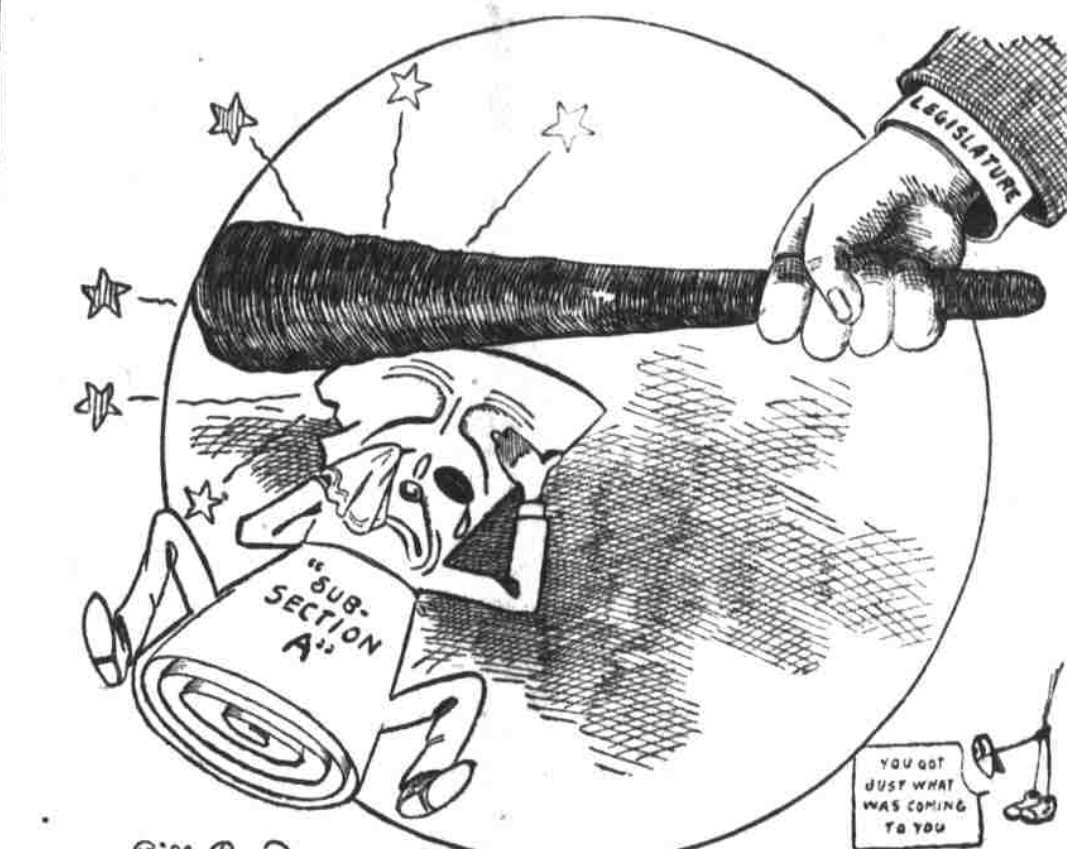
The general deficiency bill provides for the payment of expenses and compensation to the commission to Tokyo exposition until the first of the present month, but directs that no further expenses shall be incurred by the commission unless authorized by congress.

Cost of Extra Session. According to appropriations made in the bill the cost of the tariff bill will be nearly \$300,000. The sum for mileage for the members of the house and senate is \$201,000, and the extra expense of heating and compensation of employees is fixed at \$27,200.

A provision of the bill continues the pay of members of the national monetary commission who will cease to be members of congress after March 4th. Other deficiencies provided for by the bill are: For the im-

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Knocked Out



Billy Bond

HAVE LOCATED THE TRUANT SENATORS

While They are Away State Cannot Pay Bills or Elect Officers.

(By Associated Press.) NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 27.—Legislative wheels in Tennessee are still dead-locked tonight because of the absence of the thirteen senators who left the state to break a quorum and prevent the election of state election bonds, comptroller and treasurer. Eight of the truants have been discovered at Hopkinsville, Ky., and advices from there tonight quote them as declaring that they intend to remain away from Nashville. Meanwhile state officials of all degree, it appears, must get along without the emoluments of office, pending a resumption of legislative business and the assurance thereby that the regular biennial appropriation bill will be passed.

The state treasurer has been directed to temporarily suspend all payments from the state treasury. Treasurer Folk stated he could see nothing to do but to abide by this notice.

The two bodies of the legislature, however, held a joint convention today at which "no quorum" was announced and a recess was taken until 3 p. m., at which hour the joint meeting again recessed until Monday afternoon.

A dispatch from Hopkinsville late today hinted that the truant senators there might return to Nashville on Monday. The other missing legislators are in Alabama.

CHIEF OF THE SEMINOLE IS EXTRADITED

(By Associated Press.) COLUMBIA S. C., Feb. 27.—Sheriff W. H. Coleman leaves tomorrow for Nashville, Tenn., to serve requisition papers on the governor of Tennessee for John Y. Garlington, charging the latter with obtaining money under false pretenses. The sheriff will then proceed to Chattanooga to get Garlington.

Requisition papers are also issued for John Y. Garlington, M. J. Jeans and J. S. Young, charging conspiracy to defraud. Young and Jeans have not been arrested.

John Y. Garlington was president of the Seminole Securities company, of receivership and re-organization fame. Since the sensational denouement last December. The proceedings relative to the case have aroused great interest in Georgia and the Carolinas.

TAR HEEL "MIDDY" MADE QUICK MATCH

(By Associated Press.) NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Feb. 27.—Midshipman Robert Simonton Young, Jr., attached to the armored cruiser North Carolina, and Miss Margaret Connell, daughter of A. J. Connell, of Scranton, Pa., were married tonight at midnight at the Chamberlain hotel, Old Point, by Chaplain Allen, of the battleship Connecticut. Quite a number of friends witnessed the ceremony. Midshipman Strauss was best man and Miss Nation, of El Paso, Texas, was maid of honor. It is stated that Midshipman Young and his bride met for the first time last Monday when the young lady came here to witness the home-coming of the fleet. The young officer is a son of Dr. Robert S. Young, of Concord, N. C.

LUMBER MILLS BURNED.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 27.—The Vale Royal mills and 200,000 feet of lumber valued at \$75,000 were destroyed by fire early tonight. The origin of the blaze is unknown. But little of the loss was covered by insurance. The mill and lumber yards were on the bank of the Savannah river and the fire was spectacular.

BLUE JACKETS HAVE HIGH OLD TIME ASHORE

Are Applauded by Thousands and Feted by Norfolk

WHOLE CITY IN GALA ATTIRE FOR THEM

Their First General Shore Leave Since Ships Arrived at Roads.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—There will be no statehood legislation for New Mexico and Arizona at the present session of congress. This was developed at a meeting of the committee on territories today, when all of the members, regardless of party, simultaneously abandoned consideration of the bill passed by the house and left the room without anyone suggesting further meetings for its consideration.

Among the statements read was a telegram from J. J. Hagerman, former governor of New Mexico, reflecting upon the character of the people who are in control of political affairs of that territory and declaring that these men expect to continue their control after the territory becomes a state. He refers to them as "free booters" and says that sixty per cent of the voters are illiterate and ignorant and easily could be governed by the "gang" to which he referred. He suggested that it would be well to wait until after the next census before admitting New Mexico to statehood.

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NO STATEHOOD AT PRESENT SESSION

Charge of Corrupt Control of Politics in Territories Buries Bills.

THIEF KILLED WHILE FLEEING FROM OFFICER

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 27.—In a running fight with detectives and Italian thieves here today one of the thieves was killed and another fatally wounded.

Romario Ferina, twenty-five years old was instantly killed while Vincenzo Ferina, twenty-one years old, was shot through the kidneys and probably fatally wounded. Mezzioni Bruno, twenty-eight years old and William Mitchell, a negro were captured unharmed.

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POLO PLAYING SON OF A FISH CLEANING SIRE

Let Great Business Go to Wall and is Indicted for Felony

HEAD OF BOOTH FIRM MUST ANSWER

Charge of Conspiracy to Obtain \$300,000. Echo of Recent Failure.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—W. Vernon Booth, president of A. Booth & Co., the so-called fish trust, which went into the hands of a receiver last September, and F. R. Robbins, former assistant treasurer of the company, were indicted today. They, "with others to the grand jury unknown," are charged with entering into a conspiracy by means of which they secured, "wittingly, maliciously, feloniously," etc., the sum of \$300,000 from the Continental National Bank of Chicago. The two men are jointly indicted in one true bill which contains only three counts, none of them differing substantially. News of the grand jury's action created a sensation in Chicago.

W. Vernon Booth inherited from his father what is said to have been the largest fishing business in the world. The elder Booth was a hard-working business man who to his last day could, and would clean up his employees. His son, William Vernon, upon his accession to power, was one of the best known polo players in the country and was socially prominent, not only in Chicago, but in the east.

Mr. Booth frequently entrusted the management of the business to his staff, apparently believing in common with the public that the big firm was safe from financial difficulties. He was a member of the Chicago athletic, the Chicago Yacht, the Chicago Golf, Onwentsia and Union League clubs, and news of the receivership last September was entirely a surprise to the public.

The liabilities were estimated at over \$6,000,000, but the assets, at first supposed to be sufficient, dwindled steadily as the investigation proceeded and have unofficially been estimated as low as \$3,000,000.

Sensational testimony was adduced from F. R. Robbins, who was indicted with Mr. Booth today. The witness told a startling story of false statements presented to the banks to bolster up the tottering credit of the firm. These statements, by reducing the figures showing liability and increasing the assets, Mr. Robbins said were \$2,000,000 away from the true condition of affairs. The statement of July 19 alleged to have been presented to the Continental National bank forms the basis of today's indictments. Mr. Robbins said that when Mr. Booth learned that the statement had been made to the banks, and that it was false, he insisted that the banks be promptly informed of actual conditions. This was done at a secret meeting in the Continental National bank, the witness said. The whole fabric of alleged deception was laid bare and the future of the great fishing business thrown on the mercy of the bankers. For a month, the secret was kept from the public. Then came the crash.

Bonds were fixed at \$25,000, in each case, but caplases though issued formally, were not served. It was not regarded as necessary at this time, as it is expected the defendants will voluntarily appear in court Monday.

(By Associated Press.) PITTSBURGH, Feb. 27.—The bodies of two men were found early today at Gratztown, Westmoreland county, near here and apparently both of them had been murdered and robbed. Two empty pay envelopes were found beside the bodies.

At noon today a deputy coroner completed his investigation and stated that it was a case of double murder.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The revenue cutter Mohawk, which grounded yesterday on the rocks in Hell Gate, was floated today, towed into port and placed in dry dock. The cutter was seriously damaged.

(By Associated Press.) LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 27.—Prosecuting Attorney Roy D. Campbell, assisted by Robert L. Rogers, former attorney general today filed suits against the Cudahy Packing company, National Packing company, Jacob Dold Packing company, Swift and company, Morris Packing company and the Southern Beef and Provision company, asking penalties aggregating \$3,000,000 each for alleged violations of the state anti-trust laws, last week upheld by the supreme court of the United States in the case against the Hammond Packing company.

(By Associated Press.) DAWSON, Ga., Feb. 27.—C. J. Honnens, the "cycling cyclone," of Boston, Mass., died today as the result of injuries received two days ago while giving his "gapping the gap" performance. His nerve feat consisted of jumping two thirty feet gaps near the end of a steep incline. A large crowd witnessed the accident.

SENATE PASSES POLICE BILL TO THIRD READING

Objection to Final Passage Carries It Over to Monday.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION BILL

Solicitors Salary Bill Passes Its Second Reading and May Pass.

(Special to The Citizen.) RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 27.—During the afternoon session of the senate today the bill to establish a police commission for Asheville came up as a special order. It was on a report "without prejudice" from the committee. Senator Mills moved to table the bill. This motion was lost by a vote of eleven to twenty. Senator Ormond called the previous question, and this vote prevailed, twelve to twelve.

In the vote on the bill nearly every member wanted to explain his vote. Senator Britt was actively opposing the measure and appealing to his friends to help him. It passed the second reading by a vote of 17 to 14. There was three objection to the final reading, so that this was staved until Monday. Senators Bassett, Long of Person, and Nimocks were excused from voting.

The Travis resolution making April 12 legal holiday is in commemoration of the Halifax resolution and passed second reading.

The solicitors salary bill passed the senate today on second reading, 38 to 14, after a spirited debate in which an amendment was adopted making salary system apply only after January 1, 1911. Objection to final reading forced the bill over to Monday for final reading.

The Blow general education bill carrying many important regulations of the state public education system passed final reading.

The Nimock's bill of lading measure embodying changes in the law desired by the North Carolina Bankers' association also passed.

Bills were introduced by Dockery for a constitutional convention; by Nimocks to provide six months school terms; by Spence to require all epileptics in the state to be brought to the Epleptic colony at Raleigh.

A joke was played in the senate this morning through the committee on propositions and grievances by a favorable report of the Harringer resolution for calling an election for moving the capitol to Greensboro. There was considerable stir until the whole thing was found to be a joke.

The withdrawal in the house this morning by Mr. Cox, of Wake, chairman of the committee on public buildings and grounds, of his minority report on the bill to issue five hundred thousand dollars bonds for enlarging the capitol indicates a strong probability that the lower branch, at least, will pass the bill, and it is concluded that if it is passed by the house, the senate will not lock horns on the proposition. This would also mean the passage of the one hundred and fifty thousand dollar bond issue by state board of agriculture for the new agricultural building to include the museum.

Representative Stubbs introduced a similar bill to the one of Senator Dockery's calling for a constitutional convention, stating that it had been agreed for the joint committee to consider the matter Monday afternoon. The revenue bill passed its final reading in the house. Especially notable changes today were, the putting back the tax on the smaller cigarette manufacturers to what it is now, and raising it on those making over five hundred million from one thousand to three thousand dollars and one allowing cities and towns to tax express, telegraph and telephone companies from the big feet it is understood population.

Additional interest was given to the discussion of the proposed police commission yesterday by the statement made in several quarters that certain members of the police force had been called upon to contribute a fund to be used in defraying the expenses incurred in fighting the commission bill. It is stated that several members of one squad refused absolutely to give a cent, while others contributed according to their means.

One of the commission advocates stated to The Citizen last night that several policemen contributed to the fund.

RE-ENACT SCENE OF KING CARLOS' TRAGIC DEATH WITH RIOTOUS ACTS

LISBON, Feb. 27.—(Friday, via the frontier.)—The carnival celebrations held in Lisbon this week resulted in serious rioting and a number of encounters with the police during which numerous people were more or less injured and about 240 arrests were made. The assassinations of February 1, 1908, were repeatedly enacted at various points throughout Lisbon by persons made up to represent the late King Carlos and the crown prince, Queen Amelie, Prince Manuel and the regicides, B. Costa and Buissa as they were attired on the day of the tragedy, while other groups carrying coffins containing skeletons to represent King Carlos and the crown prince gave representations of the funeral procession to an accompaniment of blasphemous songs.

The police were completely taken by surprise and when they attempted to stop the scandalous proceedings the lower classes sided with the murderers and received them with volleys of stones. Women added the rioters by throwing missiles from windows. The police finally had to make free use of their revolvers and swords. They charged right and left, and a panic followed. Troops had to be summoned. The streets finally were cleared by the military.

TAFT TRIES NEW PRESIDENTIAL AUTOMOBILE; NOTHING HAPPENED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—President-elect Taft and Mrs. William H. Taft arrived in Washington late today to remain here until the inauguration. Mr. Taft came from New York, where he had spent the greater part of the week. Mr. Taft was driven at once to the white house where he made an engagement for this evening, but on returning at 6.30 o'clock, and the president still being out, he decided to postpone his conference until tomorrow morning. The subject on which Mr. Taft desires an audience with the president relates to the inaugural address.

The new automobile which has been purchased for President Taft's use when an occupant of the white house was given a trial by Mr. and Mrs. Taft this afternoon after their arrival here, and the new Potomac park was explored. No callers were scheduled for this evening, and there was no interruption to the quiet enjoyed at the Boardman residence which will quarter the president-elect until the night of March 3rd. At that time Mr. and Mrs. Taft will go to the white house as the guests of President and Mrs. Roosevelt.