

CONGRESS HAS ADJOURNED

Past Session Has Been One of Unusual Activity and Public Importance

THE PRESIDENT PLEASSED

Closing Session Crowded With Hard Work.—The President Visited the Legislature Chambers.

Washington, Special.—Both Houses of Congress adjourned at 10 o'clock Saturday night. For the first time in the history of the government Congress adjourned on the day which closed the fiscal year. Other sessions had adjourned before and some after June 30, but the Fifty-ninth Congress ended its first session on the day, when the government strikes its balances and closes its books.

There were some interesting features to mark the end, which finally came when there was less than a quorum in either House, as many senators and representatives relying on the belief that the adjournment would come early in the day, made their arrangements to leave the afternoon and they did not remain for the closing scenes. An error in the enrollment of the sundry civil appropriation bill caused quite a flurry about the espital. It was found by Secretary Root, in looking over the bill after it had been signed by the President, that it contained an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for a site for a public building in Washington, a provision which had been eliminated from two different bills.

After some perplexity the error was corrected by a joint resolution.

Roosevelt at the Capitol

President Roosevelt came to the capitol about 1 o'clock in anticipation of an early adjournment, and when he found that there would be a delay in order to secure the enrollment of the bills, which had to be passed, he took lunch in the capitol and in the afternoon visited the Congressional library.

Speaker Cannon rigidly carried out his intention of keeping back the adjournment resolution until the bills were all passed and signed, and the hour for the end was not known until a short time before the gavel fell with the announcement by Vice President Fairbanks in the senate and the speaker in the House, that the first session of the Fifty-ninth Congress closed adjourned without day.

Both Senate and House met early but a long recess was necessary in the afternoon to enable the enrolling clerks to catch up to the bills that had been passed.

The closing scenes in the Senate were formal and without interest. In the House there were the usual hilarious performances consisting of snoring speeches and songs which occupied the time during the long waits, and members made the best of the hottest day of the season with merit.

No Imperfect Business. No business of importance aside from completing the pending legislation was transacted in either House during the day.

The work accomplished by the Congress that terminated today is told by Speaker Cannon to the Associated Press. He said:

"In my judgment the work done

and the legislation enacted in the session just closed, exceeds in importance for the best interests of all people of the republic, the work of any session during my 30 years of public life.

"I have not time to make a complete review of all the legislation. Suffice it to say that the legislation covering the appropriations and authorizing of public expenditures has been most carefully considered and wisely enacted.

"The legislation commonly referred to as the rate legislation, the pure food bill, the inspection feature of the agricultural bill, are all measures that affect the interests of all the people and while nothing perfect can be enacted, I am satisfied that the operations of these laws will demonstrate their wisdom.

"And I believe if nothing else had been accomplished than the enactment of these three measures, they alone would be sufficient to make the first session of the Fifty-ninth Congress a memorable one in the history of the republic."

President Roosevelt on Work of Congress

Washington, Special.—President Roosevelt on the adjournment of Congress, dictated a statement concerning the work accomplished during the session just concluded. He says that the present Congress has done more substantive work along the lines of "real constructive statesmanship" than has been accomplished at any session of Congress with which the President is familiar. He says that men of genuine patriotism have a right to feel "a profound satisfaction in the entire course of this Congress."

The text of the President's statement follows:

In the session that just closed, the Congress has done more substantive work for good than any Congress has done at any session since I became familiar with public affairs. The legislation has been along the lines of real constructive statesmanship of the most practical and efficient type, and bill after bill has been enacted into law which was of an importance so great that it is fair to say that the enactment of any one of them alone would have made the session memorable; such, for instance, as the railroad rate bill, the meat inspection measure, the pure food bill, the bill for free alcohol in the arts, the consular reform bill, Panama canal legislation, the joint statehood bill, and the naturalization bill. I certainly have no disposition to blink what there is of evil in our social, industrial or political life of today, but it seems to me that the men of genuine patriotism who genuinely wish well to their country have the right to feel a profound satisfaction in the entire course of this Congress. I would not be afraid to compare its record with that of any previous Congress in our history, not alone for the wisdom but for the disinterested, high-mindedness which has controlled its action. It is noteworthy that not a single measure which the closest scrutiny could warrant us in calling of doubtful propriety has been enacted; and on the other hand, no influence of any kind has availed to prevent the enactment of the laws most vitally necessary to the nation at this time."

Most Inspector's Bill. Washington, Special.—When the conference on the agricultural appropriation bill took a recess they proposed that it appeared to be an impossible task to reach an agreement on the meat inspection amendment. Another attempt to reach an agreement will be made.

Dead and Injured in Wreck on English Railroad. Salisbury, Eng., By Cable.—Driving at a mad pace over the London Southwestern Railway the American Express carrying 43 of the steamer New York's passengers from Plymouth to London, plunged from track just after passing the station here at 3:57 o'clock Monday morning and mangled to death in its wreckage 23 passengers who sailed from New York June 23, and four of the trainmen. Besides those to whom death came speedily, a dozen persons were injured some of them seriously.

News By Cable. The first battalion of the Preobrazhensky Regiment, of Russia, has been disbanded by the Emperor for upholding the actions of Parliament.

A heavy rainstorm which did much damage caused the cancellation of most of the arrangements made for celebrating King Edward's birthday.

German-Roumanian oil interests are gradually combining against the Standard Oil Company.

NORTH CAROLINA CROPS

General Summary of Condition of North Carolina Crops for Week Ending Monday, June 25, 1906.

The weather during the fore part of the week was partly cloudy with numerous thunderstorms, while during the latter portion, there were less cloudiness and fewer thunderstorms. The rainfall over the State as a whole was somewhat below normal and was not well distributed. At New Bern 3.26 inches was reported which is much above normal, while at Hatteras only 0.01 inch fell which is much below normal. In Beaufort county there is some complaint of too much rain, the fields being under water one-fourth of the time; and in Montgomery and Forsyth counties the land rains were so heavy as to cause damage. In Chatham county the land is reported as being badly washed. In Burke, Davidson, and Wilkes counties, damage by hail which accompanied a thunderstorm on the 21st was reported, which damage in places was severe. A correspondent of Montgomery county reports that after his report of the week ending June 18th was mailed a severe wind accompanied by a destructive hail storm occurred on that day.

The average temperature for the State was about normal. The day temperatures rose very high, while the nights were relatively cool. The highest temperature reported was 95 degrees on the 21st in Johnston county; and the lowest was 52 degrees on the 23rd in Buncombe county.

RURAL CARRIERS' CONVENTION

Third Annual Convention to be Held at Kinston July 3rd and 4th.

Following is the programme of the North Carolina Rural Letter Carriers' Association, which is to be held at Kinston, July 3rd and 4th.

July 3, 11 A. M.—Preliminary Meeting 3 P. M.—Call to order by President C. U. Monday, calling roll of Officers and Representatives, Reading Minutes, Report of Credentials and Auditing Committee, Report of Officers, Address of Welcome by Mayor of Kinston, Response by Mrs. D. Mills and others.

Subject—"Relationship" which should exist between Postmaster and Carrier." Discussion by B. L. Hester, C. E. Baines and Postmaster of Kinston.

Subject—"Insurance." S. H. Rogers, J. M. Hartis, T. S. Royster and others.

Subject—"Penny Nuisances and How to Overcome It." Discussion by G. D. Gore, C. B. Satterfield, P. C. Willard and others.

Wednesday, July 4th, 9 A. M.—Call to order by President.

Report of Standing Committees.

Subject—"Good Roads and how to obtain them." Discussion by W. G. Ford, J. W. Hollifield, C. J. Southland and others.

Subject—"Does a Rural Carrier Grow Old." Discussion by B. L. Hester, E. D. Fearnell, Oscar Sutton and others.

Question as to Carriers' Duties, Privileges, etc., by all Delegates.

Subject—"Organization." Discussion by the Officers and others.

Adjournment for Photograph.

1 P. M.—Call to Order, Report of Standing Committee, Report of Committee on Constitution, Report of Committee on Resolutions, Electing Officers, Selecting Place for Next Meeting.

New Enterprises

Charters are granted the Tar River Manufacturing Company of Louisville to manufacture anything out of cotton, wood or grain, capital stock \$29,000. Robert G. Allen chief stockholder; the White-Jetton Company to deal in general merchandise at Lincolnton, capital \$25,000.

Body Found in Well

Elm City, Special.—The body of Mr. H. C. Braswell, who resides on his farm at Upper Town Creek church was found in a well and the remains were brought here for burial. Mr. Braswell probably committed suicide while suffering temporary insanity. No one saw him jump in the well, but a broken window in his room would lead to the impression that he jumped through that and running to the well jumped in. His body was in three or four feet of water, head downward.

Struck by Lightning

Salisbury, Special.—During a hard rain and electrical storm here Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock lightning struck the rectifying house of J. G. Broadnax and Company, located in the southeastern part of the city and set it on fire. The firemen responded to the alarm but the building being a frame structure and containing large quantities of whiskey burned rapidly. The loss is heavy. The company will re-enter business.

NORTH STATE NEWS

Items of Interest Gleaned From Various Sections

FROM MOUNTAIN TO SEASHORE

Minor Occurrences of the Week of Interest to Tar Heels Told in Paragraphs.

Charlotte Cotton Market.

These prices represent the prices paid to wagons:

Good middling	11 1-8
Strict middling	11 1-8
Middling	11 1-8
Good middling, tinged	11
Stains	9 to 10

General Cotton Market.

Galveston, steady	11 1-16
New Orleans, steady	11
Mobile, nominal	10 5-8
Savannah, quiet	10 11-18
Charleston, nominal	—
Wilmington, nominal	—
Norfolk, quiet	11 1-8
Baltimore, nominal	11 1-8
New York, quiet	10 30
Boston, quiet	10 30
Philadelphia, quiet	11 05
Houston, quiet	11 05
Augusta, steady	11 1-4
Memphis, quiet	10 3-4
St. Louis, quiet	10 7-8
Cincinnati	—
Louisville, firm	11 3-8

Kinston Hospital Dedicated.

Kinston, Special.—The Masonic rally and the dedication of the McDaniel Memorial Hospital was a great success. The Grand Lodge of Masons was called in special communication by Grand Master Winston at the opera house. The Grand Lodge and Governor Glenn, accompanied by the Second Regiment Band, military companies from Goldsboro and Kinston, fire department and citizens in carriages and on foot went to the newly-built McDaniel Memorial Hospital to hear and witness the ceremonies attending the dedication of this institution. The ceremonies took place under a large arbor erected at the northeast corner of the hospital grounds. The address of welcome was made by Mayor N. J. Rouse. The address of welcome on behalf of the Masonic lodge was delivered by Capt. J. W. Grainger. The response to these addresses was made by Grand Master W. D. Winston, Lieutenant Governor, and then grand officers laid the cornerstone of the hospital with the usual ceremonies.

A Tragedy in Madison.

Asheville, Special.—A telephone message from Marshall, Madison county gives details of a tragedy that occurred in Spring Creek township Saturday evening, when Hill Tubertson, a sawmill operator, was struck in the head with a rock and died Sunday evening of his wounds. It is alleged that Will Watts struck Tubertson, Deputy Sheriff Nick White, of Madison county, arrived in Marshall from Spring Creek township, having in custody the alleged murderer and his wife and also John Shelton and Garnel Winston, two men alleged to be implicated. It was stated that Watts and his wife were seen in jail by a newspaper man and asked for a statement of the affair. Both refused to talk.

According to information received from Marshall the killing of Tubertson was the result of Watts' wife's alleged attentions to Watts' wife. These attentions of Tubertson had become open and bold and covered a period of a year or more.

Tar Heel Items.

A charter is granted the National Investment and Insurance Clearing Company, of Charlotte, capital stock \$60,000. T. C. Gurthrie and others stockholders, to do business as insurance agents etc. Another charter is granted the Farmers' Hardware Company, of Albemarle, Stanley county, capital stock \$25,000.

State Auditor Dixon says that reports from corporations are now pouring into his office. The State now derives a very considerable revenue from corporations, some coming in from the fees for charters, the license fees, the general taxes and also the taxes on what are known as the excess value, the latter amounting to a good many millions of dollars.

The agricultural department is sending out experts to several points in the State to collect exhibits which go to New England. Mr. H. F. Adicks goes to Blowing Rock to make collections in that part of the State.

General Passenger Agent.

Wilmington, Special.—It is officially announced at Atlantic Coast Line headquarters here that T. C. White, of Savannah, is appointed general passenger agent of the system with headquarters in Wilmington, reporting to W. J. Craig, general passenger traffic manager. The appointment is effective July 1.

Household Matters.

Wall-Papers For Country Homes. In considering a room in relation to its lighting it is necessary to arrange the colors in the order of their warmth.

In this classification the yellows, red-browns, reds and olive greens fall under the warm tones, and blue, blue-green purple and the neutral shades of the warm colors under the cold tones. The warmer colors, especially the yellows and browns, bring sunshine and light into a room, while the colder colors, the coldest of which is blue, may be depended upon to soften too brilliant a glare. Red, although a warm color, is inclined to absorb light, so that although very rich and warm in sunlight or even in artificial light, it makes a room seem dark, even gloomy in ordinary daylight. This twofold quality makes it a very difficult color to handle.

A high room allows of a frieze, upper third treatment, or drop-ceiling, while a low room is very much improved by an indication of vertical lines in a design or by an arrangement of vertical panels. The coloring may be lowered in appearance by being tinted or papered, but if it is papered it is better to use a plain color rather than a design.—Harper's Bazar.

Well to Know.

"If more women knew how quickly and thoroughly coal oil acts as a cleaning agent there would be fewer tired backs and aching bones on cleaning day," said a little woman, whose apartment is always as fleckless as the streets of a certain town celebrated for its immaculate condition.

"Ever since the hint was given to me by a practical friend, a fifty-years housekeeper," she continued, "I've been learning to use the oil for more and more purposes each week—in fact, I am a coal oil crank. I wipe up my stained wood floors with a rag moistened with the oil, and find that in addition to removing every scrap of dust, it darkens the boards a little every time, which is a desideratum in my case, as the floor is soft wood and wears easily.

"All the woodwork I wipe with another rag on which I sprinkle a few drops of oil. Anything of porcelain, like a bath tub, it cleans most beautifully; also the bath room, wash stand and closet, only taking the precautions of changing your clothes. The wall back of my range I painted deep red. When it becomes greasy and dusty I find that the oiled cloth makes a splendid cleanser, although I confess I tried it in the first instance with fear and trembling."—Hartford Post.



Bombay Toast—Melt one ounce o. butter, add two well beaten eggs, one teaspoonful of finely chopped cooked lean ham, one teaspoonful of chopped parsley, salt, pepper and cayenne to taste. Stir over a slow fire till the eggs begin to set, then spread the mixture on pieces of hot buttered toast.

Yorkshire Cake—Make a good biscuit dough with baking powder and pat out in large cake about half an inch thick and place on a well-greased griddle. Cover with a pan, place over a moderate fire and bake about ten minutes; then turn and bake ten minutes on the other side. Split open and butter while hot and serve.

Cheese Fritters—Cheese fritters can be concocted with a chafing dish, and they are very toothsome to any cheese lover. Mix four tablespoons of Parmesan cheese with two tablespoons of stale bread crumbs. Beat four eggs well and add the first mixture. Season with salt and paprika. Drop from tip of spoon in small cakes on a hot, buttered blazer. Brown on one side, then turn and brown on the other side.

Walnut Pudding—Half a pound of shelled walnuts, one-quarter pound baked bread crumbs, one quart milk, seasoning. Pass the nuts through a nut mill, mix the nutmeal and the bread crumbs in equal proportions and add sufficient of the milk to make a soft mixture; a dessert spoonful of the best oil, a little salt; a little finely chopped onion or celery may be added. Put in a dish and bake in a moderate oven until firm and of a rich brown color.

Fruit Salad—Half a tin pineapple chunks, four oranges, four ripe bananas, two lemons, two ounces nutmeal, a few almonds. Cut up all the fruit small, grate a little of the rind of the lemons, chop the almonds and mix all together with quarter of a pint of water (excepting the nutmeal), and allow to stand for six hours in a cool place. Add caster sugar according to need before serving, sprinkle over it the nutmeal and garnish with crystallized cherries and cream.

Nut Sandwich—Bacon, Brazil, walnuts or almonds put through a nut mill. Put the nutmeal between thin slices of bread and butter and cut into sandwich shape. If a little orange flower honey be mixed with the nutmeal, or if cracked biscuits be used instead of bread, a very dainty sweet sandwich is obtained. If preferred, a little salt may be mixed with the nutmeal, and a little mustard spread on the buttered bread, and a sprig of watercress put in each sandwich.

The smallest quadruped in the world is the pygmy mouse of Siberia.



Hearst's Good Roads Bill.

A BILL to promote the construction of a national system of good roads, facilitate the extension of the postal service, and lessen the dependence of the agricultural and industrial interests of the country upon the railroads for transportation has been introduced in Congress by Representative Hearst, of New York. The bill has attracted a great deal of attention, and it is understood its author will leave no stone unturned to get it through Congress.

The bill provides in effect that any State or Territory or any county thereof which shall have authorized and undertaken, subject to plans and specifications filed with and duly approved in writing by the Secretary of Agriculture, the construction or reconstruction of more than ten miles of public road outside the limits of any city or incorporated village shall be entitled to receive out of the United States Treasury, under certain conditions, one-half the cost thereof. The Secretary of Agriculture shall sign warrants for such payments only after it has been established to his satisfaction: First, that the road for assistance in whose construction claim is made of sufficient public importance to come within the purview of the act, taking into account its use, location and value as a main market road, a mail route and as an integral part of a national system of good roads. Second, that the State, Territory or county claiming payment has made suitable and adequate provision for the payment of one-half the cost of the entire construction or improvement authorized and undertaken, and for the permanent maintenance thereof without recourse to the United States. Third, that the work has been done in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and at the cost claimed.

No payment herein provided for shall be made except as the work of actual construction progresses, and in no case shall the payment or payments made by the United States in advance of the final completion of a road, for assistance in whose construction claim is made, exceed forty per centum of the cost of the work then actually completed. The Secretary of Agriculture is given authority to employ the necessary engineers, inspectors and clerks, and make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry the proposed law into effect.

The bill appropriates \$50,000,000 for the purposes of the act, but provides that not more than \$10,000,000 shall be expended in any year. Such sum shall be apportioned among the States and Territories from which claims are received in proportion that the population of the several States and Territories, reckoned according to the last Federal census, bears to the total population of the United States. If the claims from any State or Territory are for a sum less than the sum to which the State is entitled, the surplus to be apportioned among the other States from which claims are received in proportion that their population bears to the total population of the States and Territories from which claims are received, as nearly as practicable, so as to render available in each year the whole sum of \$10,000,000. The proposed law is to take effect immediately after its enactment.—The Automobile.

Pennsylvania Will Improve 400 Miles

Reports from Harrisburg indicate that ere snow flies again upwards of 400 miles of improved road will have been laid down under the Sprong Good Roads law passed at the last regular session of the Pennsylvania Legislature. Dauphin, Jefferson, Juniata, Lebanon and Schuylkill counties are the only ones in the State which have failed to put in an application for a share of the money appropriated for building and maintaining good roads. Their shares have reverted to the general roads fund. To this fund will also be added the balance left after paying all expenses of the new Automobile Bureau of the State Highway Department, which handles the business of issuing licenses to motor car owners. This balance, it is believed, will be close to \$15,000. State Highway Commissioner Hunter, an automobilist himself, is greatly interested in the proposed trans-State road.

How Split-Log Drag Works.

Dragging the roads of Marshall County, Illinois, with the split-log drag has caused many business and professional men of the Illinois Valley towns to buy automobiles. Clifford Haws, who owns and operates one of the best appointed garages in the State, says that auto sales have been greatly stimulated by the action of the road authorities. One of the townships is largely populated by Quakers, who run some of the most modern farms in the Middle West. They have rural delivery, telephones and automobiles, and all of them believe in the efficacy of D. Ward King and his split log. Henry, Ill., has only 1500 population, but it has ten automobiles.

Good Roads Bill is Signed.

Governor Higgins signed the several bills of the joint highway committee relative to good roads, the most important of which is the one which carries with it an appropriation of \$5,000,000 for this year's portion of the work under the constitutional amendment which provides for a \$30,000,000 bond issue by the State for such improvement.