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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 sounded what is 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.
Among the objections set out are that it increases the taxation on the necessities of life, and that those articles actually required by the poor man will come higher 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 trade 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 waterways. 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 dangerous 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, Pa., 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 Pittsburgh and lodged in the Mercer county jail. His wife, it is said, will be brought here from Pittsburgh and the couple will be formally arraigned on the charge of kidnaping in a few days. Boyle feared violence on his arrival in Mercer, and on the journey from Pittsburgh 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 NEWS IN BRIEF

Items of Interest Gathered By Wire and Cable

GLEANINGS FROM DAY TO DAY

Live Items Covering Events of More or Less Interest at Home and Abroad.

Near Green River, Wyoming, Wednesday, a train ploughed into a sand slide burying the engine and killing five lives. The engine was a 2-8-0, and the train was carrying a heavy load of coal. The accident was caused by a sand slide which had accumulated on the tracks.

Mrs. Jessie Culbertson, of Vincennes, Ind., was, in the absence of her husband, taken from her home into a shed Wednesday by a strange man and woman, who poured carbolic acid down her throat and tied her mouth shut, then left her. She could barely tell the tale.

A rather severe tornado passed over parts of Texas Wednesday and over parts of South Carolina Thursday morning, killing several persons and doing much damage to property.

Two negroes in Asheville, N. C., fought a duel with razors last Tuesday and both came out with an inch of their lives.

The Montgomery Advertiser figures it up that President Taft, with in the last nine years, has traveled 202,114 miles, exceeding all others who ever arrived at the White House.

Captain Mueller and his five companions in the balloon America were found safe near Pasadena, after landing in the mountains. It was thought that they had floated out on the ocean.

A 20-year-old widow, who remarried, has been awarded the estate of her first husband, amounting to \$20,000, in Brooklyn, in a suit brought against her by her relatives. Five months after the husband's death a child was born, and although the plaintiff's content that it was dead at birth, the young woman proved by the testimony of a nurse that the baby lived a minute and therefore she was entitled to the full estate.

Joe and Isham Taylor and Lewis Jenkins were found guilty of first-degree murder in the Skipwith murder and arson case at Powhatan, Va., and John Brown, guilty of murder in the second degree. All are negroes. Brown got 15 years in the penitentiary and the others will die in the electric chair.

The Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia decided that voters may pay their poll tax, which is essential to qualification, in person, by messenger, by check or by postal order.

The National Association of Liquor Dealers will test in the United States Supreme Court, the provision of the Byrd law, of Virginia, which requires a license of \$500 for salaried selling liquors by sample.

Willie Whittle identified the Cleveland suspects as his kidnapers, and his father said he knew John Boyle, the man, but refused to talk of the woman prisoner.

The anthracite miners will ask President Taft to arbitrate their differences and will not strike April 1.

F. H. Richardson, of Elmira, N. Y., accused of embezzling \$300,000, committed suicide in Harrisburg Wednesday.

Portsmouth, by the annexation of its suburbs, is now the third city in size in Virginia.

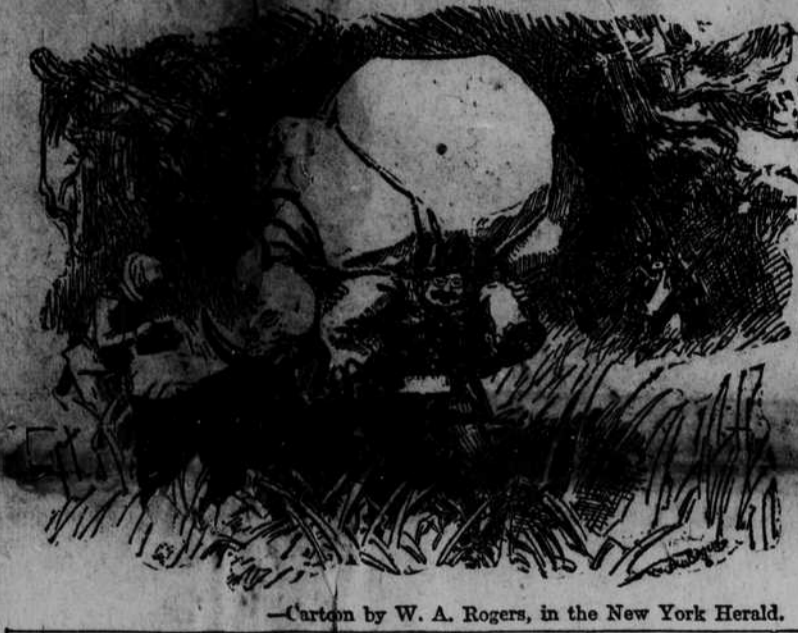
The penalty in Virginia for kidnapping is death or in the discretion of the jury, it may be imprisonment from 5 to 15 years.

Henry A. Wise, a member of the well-known Virginia family, has been appointed United States District Attorney for the New York district.

Washington Affairs.
The Inaugural committee has a surplus of \$60,000 left from the Taft inauguration fund.

Republican insurgents are fighting the proposed special rate to cut off amendments to the Payne bill in the House.
The Senate Finance Committee is framing a practically new Tariff bill of its own.
President Taft has already changed 14 of the policies of Mr. Roosevelt and is considering a number of other changes.
Senator Aldrich is said to be opposed to all kinds of special taxes and would adjust the rates as to raise the revenues required from customs duties.
The new Senate committee hopes to point out means by which the Government can save millions.
Minority Leader Champ Clark made a vigorous attack on certain features of the Payne bill and outlined the position of the Democratic members on tariff legislation last Thursday.
Chairman Payne completed his elaborate defense of the Tariff bill Wednesday.
License was issued for the marriage of William Mangum, a white carpenter, to Middle Hayes, colored, in Washington city Thursday. A Negro is to officiate in the ceremony.
Twenty-nine persons died from pneumonia in Washington last week, many of them as a result of the stormy inauguration day.

GOOD HUNTING!



THIRTY-TWO LIONS SIGHTED WHERE ROOSEVELT WILL GO

Despatch From British East Africa Tells of the Good Prospects For Big Game—Great Plans For a Welcome to the Former President.

Mombasa, British East Africa.—A big game hunter and field naturalist, who is to be guide to and general manager of the Roosevelt party, has been here for some time completing the preparations for the trip into the wilderness as well as the shooting and collecting excursions along the line of the railroad. He is selecting and hiring native porters for the expedition. He takes only experienced men who are known to be courageous and to possess great physical strength. The "safari" kit—in other words, the camp equipment for the work in the open—is arriving from London, and all will be in readiness when Mr. Roosevelt arrives. The railroad car used on the line as far as Port Florence by other distinguished visitors where ex-President Roosevelt plans to stay in British East Africa and Uganda, such as the Duke of Mecklenburg, the Duke of Connaught, the Duke of the Abruzzi, Joseph Chamberlain and Winston Spencer Churchill, is being refitted for the use of Mr. Roosevelt.
Everything points to a successful stay in British East Africa and Uganda for Mr. Roosevelt. The natives are peaceful, game is plentiful and the people of Mombasa are waiting eagerly to extend him a welcome.

TAME HUNTING, SAYS ANOTHER.

San Francisco, Cal.—Captain A. J. Smiley, who is said to have served with the Irish Brigade in the Boer war, says that the hunting grounds where ex-President Roosevelt plans to spend his vacation are nothing but a huge game preserve, and that the hunter will have a tame time. The captain claims to have hunted over his ground many times, and he asserts that the lions have been shot at so often they have become gun-shy.
The Duke of Manchester, according to Captain Smiley, is said to have shot over the country which Roosevelt will traverse without any lion being killed, and at the rate at which Roosevelt suggests that he go to a portion of Africa where elephants could be met in droves.

MESSINA'S UNBURIED DEAD.

Rome, Italy.—The General in command at Messina, who is in charge of the removal of the dead, estimates the number of bodies still awaiting burial at about 60,000. Most of them lie in several feet deep under the rubbish from fallen houses.
The work of clearing the debris from the streets is proceeding very slowly. Not more than 200 bodies are buried each day at the rate at which the work is carried on without interruption for twelve hours. The prevailing bad weather is hampering the work greatly and often stops it, as the rain changes the debris into soft mud, which the first sunny days hardens to the consistency of cement.

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2. She must not consider her hands when it comes to a question of work.
3. To obtain red cheeks, the ideal woman must take exercise and pass by paint and powder.
4. She must not be the servant of the dressmaker and milliner. They are her servants.
5. She must not change her styles at the dictation of men in Paris.
6. Her home must be her palace, because in it she has developed a love of beauty and shows she knows how to create it.
7. She must be industrious, sympathetic, energetic, enthusiastic, motherly and a true friend."

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Russian Drugged and Left to Perish in a Roman Boarding House.

Rome, Italy.—The body of a Russian, Vladimir Tarasoff by name, was found in a trunk in a boarding house, locked up in the trunk, it is believed, for twenty-three days.
A medical examination indicated that the man, who was about thirty years of age, had been drugged and placed in the trunk, and that he had died of suffocation. Two Russians visited him shortly before his disappearance. There is no clue to their identity.

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 impassable 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, and owned 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. Clinging 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 is being reported by 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 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.

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 delimitation of the boundary between that State and Tennessee at the crossing of the Tennessee river.

Gets Good Life.
Salisbury, Special.—John Ridge-way, 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 Ridge-way, who died recently in Alabama. The two brothers came to America from England in 1884 and had been separated since that time.

Death Due to Drink.
Burlington, Special.—The lifeless body of Dolph Faeuette 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. Faeuette.

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 Stilmore 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 Riveron 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.

Proof That He's Nearsighted.
Trenton, N. J.—The Civil Service Commission received its first request for the removal of an officeholder here. It came from an oyster grower of South Jersey who objected to a watchman, saying: "He isn't a good watchman because he is nearsighted. A nearsighted watchman can't do the work. I know he is nearsighted, because if he wasn't he could see his own father and brother stealing my oysters right along." The watchman says complainant is merely sarcastic.