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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.

Carroll D. Wright, president of Clark College and former commissioner of labor, died Saturday night, aged 69.
Mrs. Bona Alexander of Mecklenburg county, N. C., is in charge of a gander and peacock 69 years old. They were the property of Dr. Caldwell, deceased, and were of same age with him.

Miss Sylvia Green, the daughter of the opulent Hetty Green; of New York, was married to Matthew Astor Wilks, a great-grandson of John Jacob Astor, last Tuesday.

The cotton gin of Klutzz and Linn, near Spencer, N. C., was burned Tuesday morning just before day. The loss is about \$25,000. There is a suspicion that it was the work of night riders.

Dr. William T. Bull, the famous New York specialist, died Monday at Wymerly, Isle of Hope, near Savannah, Ga. He had gone South in search of health.

Jacksonville, Fla., suffered a \$300,000 fire on Wednesday.
Ex-Queen Lillookalani has been sued by Dr. Charles H. English for \$11,600 for services rendered her at the stipulated price of \$300 per month.

A cruel tramp asked a San Francisco lady on Monday for something to eat, and when she was complying he seized and began to choke her for her ring, when her faithful dog sank his teeth into his legs and saved her.

Washington News Notes.
Marcellus Thomas, a Negro, convicted of killing two men in Texas, appealed to the Supreme court of the United States to interfere with his death penalty on the ground that the grand jury that indicted him contained no man of his own race. He lost his case.
The conservation congress in Washington City which represented the United States, Canada and Mexico concluded its work on Tuesday after finishing an elaborate report and declaration of principles.

The name of Jefferson Davis has been ordered replaced on the arch of Cabin John Bridge, whence it was chiseled out when everybody was mad in 1862. This stone bridge is seven miles from Washington and Jefferson Davis was Secretary of War when it was built.

A pension of \$50 per month for the widow of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee was made a part of the omnibus pension bill passed by the U. S. Senate on Tuesday.

Captain Hutchins has given up command of the battleship Kearsarge on account of serious illness.

Judge George Gray has been selected as one of the judges to arbitrate the fisheries dispute at The Hague.

The Senate passed the bill Wednesday to allow the reinstatement of discharged negro soldiers of the Twenty-first Infantry.

The House Wednesday refused to inquire into the letter of Secretary Bacon to Panama, disclaiming the charges of Representative Henry T. Rainey.

President Roosevelt attended on Wednesday the burial in New York of the President's nephew Stewart Douglas Robinson, who was killed by falling out of a window in Harvard college.

Miss Frances Caspari, who obtained over \$100,000 in Baltimore and Washington, was adjudged insane and will be sent to an asylum.

Attorney Stuart McNamara has been chosen to assist the Government in the prosecution of the Panama libel cases.

Foreign Affairs.
Six persons were killed and 30 injured in a theatre fire panic in Tula, Russia, on last Monday.

The gangway between wharf and ship slipped on Wednesday, at Hamburg, and about 37 men were precipitated into icy water, from which ten lives were lost.

According to decision of the higher Federal Court of Venezuela, Cipriano Castro is formally declared deposed of the presidency of that nation.

Francisco de Barre, the new Ambassador from Mexico, has arrived in Washington and expresses the great interest of President Diaz and the Mexican people in President Roosevelt's conservation movement.

The Argentine steamer Presidente Roca caught fire according to reports a few days ago, and the crew and 200 passengers perished.

At Rio Babmo in Ecuador, by the removal of a rail a passenger train was thrown 100 feet down a precipice and 25 persons were killed and 40 wounded last Wednesday.

A late cablegram says that the French tariff commission has restored the old schedule on oils except that of cotton seed, which is to be 25 francs per 100 kilos.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS

Summary of Important Proceedings Enacted From Day to Day.

The entire time of the Senate was occupied Thursday with the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill. Many items of the bill providing for various investigations and matters relating to new legislation were stricken from the bill on points of order. The forestry service was again severely criticised by Senators Carter and Hepburn.

The conference report on the post-office appropriation bill was agreed to during the day and the naval bill was sent back for further conference. In an effort to finish consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill the House held a lengthy night session.

The passage of the agricultural appropriation bill by the Senate Friday night followed an extended debate on the forestry service, which occupied the entire session. As passed, the measure appropriates \$13,075,716, which is an increase of \$191,890 over the bill as passed by the House.

After having dragged along for a week, the sundry civil appropriation bill, carrying in the aggregate \$137,000,000, was passed by the House Friday night, with numerous material amendments.

Earlier in the day a resolution was adopted appointing a committee of five to report whether or not the remarks of Mr. Cook, of Colorado, delivered Thursday attacking the President, should be expunged from the Record.

Later the conference report on the diplomatic appropriation bill also was agreed to.

Following the passage of more than three hundred private pension bills, the House adjourned.

The river and harbor bill, carrying an appropriation of about \$9,700,000 was passed by the Senate Saturday. All paragraphs giving authority to the Federal government to develop and lease water-power were stricken from the bill except in the case of the St. Mary's river in which case it was provided that the consent of Michigan should be obtained before making any such lease. This action was to maintain the principles that the water-power belongs exclusively to the States in which it is located.

Eulogies were delivered upon the lives of the late Senator Latimer, of South Carolina, and the late Representative Powers, of Maine; Wiley, of Alabama; Meyer, of Louisiana; Brick, of Indiana, and Granger, of Rhode Island.

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, Tex., on the night of August 15th, 1906, was won Friday when the House by a vote of 210 to 101 passed the Senate bill to that end. Violent opposition was encountered from members of the Texas delegation and others, as the vote shows, but their efforts were unavailing.

The general deficiency bill was taken up and passed, the aggregate amount carried by it being over \$17,500,000.

A number of miscellaneous bills and conference reports were also disposed of.

A lively tilt between Speaker Cannon and Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, furnished something of a scene. Each claimed the other had insulted him, and before Mr. Gaines would take his seat the mace, the emblem of authority, was ordered from its place and the sergeant-at-arms directed to place it before the Tennessee member. Mr. Gaines sat down before the official got to him and was thus spared from the disgrace implied by such acts. The last occasion on which the mace was similarly used was in the Fifty-fourth Congress.

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

The sundry civil appropriation bill passed by the Senate just before adjournment Monday with amendments carrying \$40,000 for remodeling the White House office building to give additional room for the President, and \$25,000 for traveling expenses for the President.

On motion of Mr. Foraker an amendment appropriating \$120,000 to pay the Roman Catholic Church in Rico was adopted.

The authorization for the issuance of \$30,000,000 of Panama canal bonds in addition to former authorizations was stricken from the bill on protest of Senator Clay, who criticized the excessive cost of the canal.

The bill which was approved by the committee on appropriations Monday morning carries appropriations of about \$139,000,000 and covers a wide variety of subjects.

The forestry bill that passed the House Monday afternoon, will die, it is said, in the Senate. Congress is playing with this proposition on purpose. The Senate passes a bill and the House kills it, and vice versa. There is very little if any hope of the present measure becoming a law. Hackett and Kitchin voted against the bill, which does not in any way mention the Appalachian Park Messrs. Webb and Thomas, spoke for it. The bill provides that the Secretary of Agriculture may co-operate with the States in the organization

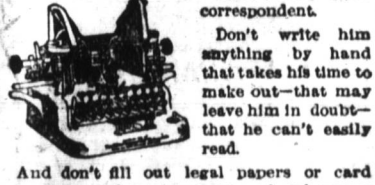
and maintenance of a system of fire protection on any private or State forest land situated upon the watershed of a navigable stream and further that he may administer and protect for a term of years any such lands. One million dollars is appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30th, and each year thereafter until 1919, a sum not to exceed two million dollars, for acquiring lands located on the head waters of navigable streams, or those which are, or may be developed for navigable purposes.

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