

HOUSE PASSES PAYNE TARIFF BILL

Four Democrats Vote for Bill and One Republican Against It—Deep Interest Taken in Final Vote and Republicans Make Joyous Demonstration Over Result

After three weeks of consideration the Payne tariff bill was passed by the House of Representatives Friday night by a vote of 217 to 161. One Republican, Austin, of Tennessee, voted against the measure, and four Democrats, all from Louisiana, Messrs. Broussard, Estopinal, Pejo and Wickliffe voted for it. An attempt made by Champ Clark, the minority leader, to recommit the bill with instructions was signally defeated. The day was filled with excitement from the moment the session began at noon until the last minute. The members were keyed up to the highest pitch and a practically full membership remained on duty throughout. The final vote demonstrated the capacity of the Republican organization to get together. The general public was greatly interested in the proceedings and the galleries were packed. Both the diplomatic and executive reservations likewise were fully occupied, one of the conspicuous observers being Mrs. Taft, wife of the President. When the bill actually was passed the Republican cheered lustily, some dancing up and down the aisles

and patting their fellow members on the back. After adopting a resolution that until further ordered, sessions shall be held only on Mondays and Thursdays the House at 8:20 p. m. adjourned. At the suggestion of Chairman Payne, the action of the House in fixing a rate of one per cent ad valorem on crude petroleum and its products was by unanimous consent reconsidered and the articles placed on the free list. The committee amendments increasing the Payne rate on barley from 15 to 24 cents a bushel as well as the duty on barley malt from 25 to 40 cents a bushel were adopted. One minute before 3 o'clock an amendment was adopted giving farmers the right to sell their tobacco in the manufactured state without paying the tax. All efforts to change the tariff on lumber from the existing schedule of the Dingley bill failed. Hides are on the free list also, having run the gauntlet of opposition. The bill now goes to the Senate whose committee has its amended form ready to report and the senior body will immediately proceed to its consideration.

OUTRAGEOUS SEIZURE OF JUDGE'S EFFECTS

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—A special meeting of the Atlanta Bar Association has been called to make what reparation it can for the invasion and dismantling of the home of United States Circuit Judge W. B. Sheppard under a writ of attachment. Lawyers as well as citizens declare the affair was an outrage. A month or more ago the jurist's secretary was driving Judge Sheppard home when the car hit a negro. The judge claims he was not negligent but agreed to pay him \$50. The attorney for the negro refused to accept this sum and said they would sue. Instead of filing an ordinary suit, they waited until late Thursday evening and swore out a writ of attachment. One of the attorneys, accompanied by a constable and a force of negroes, went to the judge's home

and found Mrs. Sheppard alone with her children, one of them a baby of only six months. At once they began to seize everything in sight and loaded it on drays. They took all the furniture except the beds, the clothing of all the members of the family, the trunks and even the toys of the little ones. All the time, Mrs. Sheppard was pleading with the men to wait until her husband returned, but they refused to listen and she says they were both rough and insolent. Next Mrs. Sheppard telephoned to the lawyer of the negro, but as soon as she explained who she was, she says he abruptly hung up the receiver, saying he talked business with men only. Judge Sheppard was in court Friday afternoon and openly and bitterly denounced the treatment he had received as not only outrageous, but as an attack upon the dignity of the United States Court.

GOVERNMENT INJURING BUSINESS AFFAIRS

The following from Charles W. Brown, publisher of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., Democrat, is in line with the sentiment expressed a few weeks ago by The Enterprise and shows that those publishers who also run job plants are beginning to sit up and take notice: Is the fact that the government of the United States is spending the money of the people (among them printers and publishers) for the purpose of diverting business from the printers of the country a demonstration of the kind of "sugar deal" the country is going to get under the Taft administration? I am loath to believe it. But recent events have inspired a deep distrust that only a complete obliteration of the policy and methods of the postoffice department will replace with reassurance. If the United States government can with consistency take away from the printer the printing of envelopes on the plea that it can do the work cheaper because the printing is done simultaneously with the stamping, why isn't it just as consistent to print advertisements on postal cards for the same reason? Carry this

principle out to a legitimate conclusion and you will find that every business in the country would eventually be attacked. But the government is not printing envelopes or anything else at a profit. The Dayton envelope plant is not only taking from the printer business that belongs to him, but is taxing him to help pay for the losses incurred in running this postal iniquity. A little figuring will prove this statement to be absolutely true. The government gets 50 cents a thousand for doing this nasty little trick, and it costs it about 70 cents per thousand to solicit orders for, print and deliver these envelopes. But whether the government makes a profit or not is not the question. Shall the government be allowed to enter into competition with the business of the country from which it derives the revenues which enable it to live? Shall we be compelled to contribute to a fund that is to be squandered in an endeavor to cripple us in business? It's time our congressmen heard from us.—South Hill, Va., Enterprise.

JURY COULD NOT AGREE IN THE BOUVY MURDER CASE

Plaquemine, La., Special.—At 7 o'clock Friday night the jury in the case of the State against Fabrian F. Bouvy, charged with the murder of Prof. Fred Van Ingen, reported that it was hopelessly disagreed and was therefore discharged by Judge Schwab. The killing of Van Ingen occurred on October 3 of last year, while he was on his way to New Orleans. The Standard Oil lawyers more than made good their promise to the court to complete their arguments Friday in defense of the government's suit to have the corporation dissolved as a Sherman law violator. John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, completed his address, following Mr. Rosenthal, 30 minutes before the usual time for adjournment. The court asked Mr. Kellogg, the government's attorney, if he wished to take advantage of the half hour in which to commence his reply argument, but the Federal lawyers

was seated by his bride of a few hours in the chair coach of a Texas & Pacific train, en route to New Orleans. Bouvy's attorneys attempted to show that he was decidedly attached to Miss Rober and that he smarted under the knowledge of a great wrong which they attempted to prove Van Ingen had done Miss Rober before his marriage to her. He would rather begin his address in the morning, promising to finish by the usual closing time. That will end the hearing. The court will take the case under advisement but it is not expected that decision will be announced before next fall. Ninety-five per cent of the government's evidence was incompetent and if judged by the A. B. C.'s of the rules of evidence would be thrown out, Mr. Rosenthal declared. John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, followed with the concluding argument for the defense, discussing both the law and the facts.

VIOLENT MANIAC SHOTS UP SQUARE, THEN SUICIDES

Aurora, Ill., Special.—John Anderson, a plumb, becoming violently insane, Thursday armed himself with two pistols, a shotgun and three bombs and killed Mrs. John McVick, 59, narrowly missed striking his hand, wounded Mrs. John McVick, and then committed suicide, blowing his head off with a shotgun. He attempted to kill the inhabitants of the entire square in which he resided.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

South Carolina Wins Suit

The famous South Carolina dispensary case, involving the disposition of about \$900,000 of dispensary funds held by the State dispensary commission, was decided in the United States Supreme Court Monday in favor of the commission.

The case was instituted by the Wilson Distilling Company and the Fleischmann Company in the United States Circuit Court for the district of South Carolina to collect debts contracted by the State in the purchase of liquor in the State from 1892 to 1907 while the dispensary system was in vogue.

The commission, consisting of W. J. Murray, John McSwain and Avery Patton, was appointed in 1907, when the State resolved to go out of the liquor business. This commission was empowered by the Legislature to collect all moneys due the State and to pay all of its debts.

That the tariff bill in its final form will provide for a permanent tariff board was confidently predicted Tuesday by H. E. Miles, chairman of the executive committee of the committee of 100 appointed at the recent Indianapolis tariff convention to foster such a scheme.

Mr. Miles announced that Senator Aldrich, chairman of the committee, has informed him that he favors such an arrangement, and added that "Senator Aldrich may be expected to distinguish himself by working out the problem." Senator Root, according to Mr. Miles, has also declared himself in favor of the tariff board.

"The mistakes in the present bill," said Mr. Miles, "some of great consequence, some small, and one whole schedule known to be rediculously wrong, with no chance of making it right in either house at this session—this and the general need of world markets are making the need of this tariff board clear to every one."

The fixing of rates for the new tariff bill was begun Tuesday by the Senate committee on finance. Night sessions will be held. It was agreed that no person shall be heard by the committee from now on, except that limited time may be given to some Senators during the forenoon sessions.

Wednesday was a bad day for the Republican organization of the House of Representatives. By a coalition between some Republican "insurgents" and the Democrats, the ways and means committee was bowled over and the advocates of free crude oil and its products for the Payne bill won a signal victory when an amendment by Mr. Norris, of Nebraska, placing the insignificant duty of one per centum ad valorem on those articles, was adopted by a substantial majority.

The barley schedule of the Payne tariff bill again was threshed out. The pending amendments were one by Mr. Miller, of Kansas, increasing the Payne rate from 15 to 25 cents a bushel, and the old one by Mr. Alexander, of New York, fixing the rate at 10 per cent ad valorem.

The ways and means committee agreed to several important amendments to the bill. Postmaster General Hitchcock has approved of a number of designs submitted for a special issue of stamps commemorative of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition.

Senator Gallinger has re-introduced the bill providing for a separate building for the Supreme Court of the United States. The structure would be situated just outside of the Capitol grounds and immediately north of the Congressional Library Building, to which, it is proposed the exterior architecture of the Supreme Court Building would correspond. The total cost of the building is fixed at \$3,000,000.

PETITION FOR MRS. CARMACK

Washington, Special.—Representative Brownlow and Representative Austin, of the first and second congressional districts of Tennessee, respectively, have undertaken to make the widow of the late Senator Carmack postmaster at Columbia, in that State. They are the only two Republican members of the Tennessee delegation, and in addition to exercising their influence as individuals they have now set to work to get the assistance of the State's entire representation at Washington.

President Taft heard protests Friday against the increased duty on gloves, hosiery, pinapples and lemons, provided in the Payne tariff bill. State Senator Travis and John McCormick, of Brecklyn, N. Y., representing importers of fruit, told the President that the increase on pineapples and lemons would have to be borne by the common people. The increase on lemons, which it was declared amounted to 20 cents a box, would practically be prohibitive and leaves American growers in absolute control of the market.

Kenneth Barnhardt, representing one of the largest department stores in Chicago, accompanied by Francis Simmons and Edward D. Winslow, also of Chicago, protested against the increase of duty on gloves and hosiery. They were presented to the President by Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh.

MATTERS OF CURRENT NEWS

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.

Midland, Texas, had a \$300,000 fire Thursday.

Representative Hillburn introduced a bill in the Florida Legislature Thursday in favor of a constitutional restriction of the manufacture and sale of liquor except for medicinal, scientific and mechanical purposes.

Madame Modjeska, the famous Polish actress, died in Los Angeles, Cal., Thursday, at the age of 65 years of Bright's disease. The body will at a later period be taken to Cracow, Poland, for interment.

Fred Bell, only six years old, killed Ethel Thomas, three years old child of Union, S. C., Thursday and tried to hide away the body. Fred is in prison charged with murder.

Kate O'Dwyer, a "bad angel," broke the iron shackles from her and saved herself out of chain gang prison at Athens, Ga., last Sunday night.

Charles N. Haskell, governor of Oklahoma is standing trial charged with fraudulent connection with the Muskogee town lot affair.

The Chesapeake and Ohio canal was opened for navigation Friday.

Crazy Snake is not captured yet and the pursuit is to be continued.

The Attorney General of Kansas has handed down the opinion that it that State a married woman may or may not take the name of her husband and that he may even take her name.

The Arkansas State Senate Tuesday passed a bill placing a heavy penalty on persons drinking intoxicants on trains in the State or on station platforms. This will probably affect buffet cars, although intended only to stop rowdiness.

Indalecio Alarcon, of Chicago, on last Sunday stabbed himself 12 times about his heart, cut his throat, took carbolic acid and threw himself out of a window, but lives to say that he does not know how to account for his condition.

Daniel W. Johnson, 18 years old, attempted to blackmail his Sunday school teacher, Asa G. Chandler, in Atlanta, Ga., recently, but was quickly caught. Trashy novel reading, he says, caused him to do it.

A cruiser of the Pacific Squadron picked up 40 passengers of the wrecked steamer Indiana in the Pacific Monday.

Pope S. Hill, a lawyer of Macon, Ga., Monday was found murdered in a lumber office as the third victim slain in litigation over the Dodge timber lands in Georgia.

WASHINGTON NOTES

Diplomatic relations have been strained between the United States and Nicaragua and a crisis is expected.

Representative Mardock of Kansas has introduced a bill in Congress to require amounts of money distributed or loaned to the 26 states under the Andrew Jackson administration to be refunded to the national treasury. It is opening many eyes.

Judge Richard E. Sloan has been selected for Governor of Arizona and all the leading territorial officials will be changed.

The motion to put lumber on the free list was voted down Tuesday by 170 to 176, more than 80 Democrats voting for protection.

An entirely new series of notes, silver and gold certificates and greenbacks is to be issued.

Mr. Payne declares that the department stores are inspiring women to protest against higher duties on stockings and gloves.

"WETS" SWEEP LONG ISLAND

Suffolk and Nassau Counties Vote Against Prohibition.

East Hampton, "Dry" For 200 Years, Votes to Sell Liquor in Future—Mix-Up in Shelter Island.

Mineola, L. I.—All that part of Long Island not included in New York City "went wet" as the result of balloting on the license question. Returns from all the towns in Suffolk and Nassau counties show that every one—thirteen in number—voted against prohibition. In most cases the result was decisive.

Parson Wasson, of Riverhead, saw his town go "wet," and for two years he will continue to make his Welsh "rabbits" with beer.

One man was hurt in an election riot atyster Bay.

The farmers seem to have voted largely with the "wets."

In Babylon the verdict was three to one in favor of license.

In Patchogue, where meetings were held and bells rung, the vote was for license.

Smithtown went wet. Southold, which was wet for the last two years, liked that condition well enough to repeat. Southampton, where so many wealthy Americans have their summer homes, after a long period of dryness decided that liquor may be sold.

East Hampton has been dry for 200 years, but it was caught in the flood of wetness. Huntington also went wet. Riverhead joined the pro-license camp. In fact, all ten towns in the county will for two years permit the sale of liquor.

There is a mix-up in Shelter Island. The vote there was in favor of allowing hotel and drug store licenses.

Never has an election aroused such excitement on Long Island. The question on every one's lips for many days had been, "I wonder if the island will go wet or dry?"

The Women's Christian Temperance Union was first in the field when the campaign began. And the Anti-Saloon League was soon fighting bitterly to bring about a reign of temperance in the various townships. The hotel men and the saloon keepers were quick to retaliate.

For several weeks rival parties of stumpy speakers and handshakers had been appearing over the island in automobiles, arguing for or against the continued sale of liquor, pleading with the voters, entreating their husbands, scattering pamphlets and circulating petitions.

The churches were quick to take up the fight. Prayer meetings were held for the sole purpose of praying that liquor be abolished from the several townships.

CARRIES DEAD GIRL HOME

Calibus is Attacked by Her Father as He Lays Her Down Dead.

Fawcett, R. I.—Charged with manslaughter, Bernard Calibus, an automobile driver, pleaded not guilty and furnished \$5000 for his appearance. Calibus is accused of driving an automobile and struck Katharine Cramer, eleven years old, daughter of Matthew J. Cramer, and inflicted injuries that caused her death.

The little girl was playing in the street when she saw two autos approaching, and, running to avoid them, escaped one to get in the way of Calibus' car. The framework struck and knocked her down, causing a fracture of the skull. Calibus quickly jumped out, and, picking up the child, carried her in his arms to her home. Cramer met him at the door and was so overwhelmed with grief that he attacked Calibus. Friends intervened, however, and Calibus laid the child down she was dead.

600 SALOONS MUST CLOSE

Effect of Local Option Election in Michigan.

Detroit, Mich.—Upward of 600 saloons and ten breweries will be forced out of business in the nineteen counties of the State which voted "dry."

In the eight counties carried by the liquor interests there are a total of about 300 saloons, giving the Anti-Saloon League a victory affecting more than two-thirds of the saloons which it attacked.

The slanted majority of 41 votes which the "drys" received in Jackson County, having a population of 47,000, decides the bitterness of the fight that was carried on there. A recount is considered a certainty.

BRIEF CULLINGS OF NORTH STATE NEWS

News of Interest Gleaned From All Sections of the State and Arranged For Busy Readers

Not Thought a Loan.

Raleigh, Special.—Considerable interest is being manifested in official circles here in the bill recently introduced in Congress to require the States that participated in 1836 in the distribution of the surplus in the United States Treasury during Jackson's administration to repay these loans to the government. It seems that North Carolina received about \$1,500,000, and that it was variously invested in banks, railroads and other stocks, and the whole thing swept away as a result of the Civil War and subsequent corrupt Reconstruction administrations. A small part of the money was spent in digging the "Club Foot" Canal, connecting East Carolina sounds. The State has absolutely nothing to show for the loan, which it has never considered in the light of being a fund that would have to be repaid to the National Treasury. The old Cape Fear Bank and the Wilmington and Weldon Railroads were among the enterprises that received some of this fund in the way of stocks purchased by the State. The bank collapsed and the railroad stocks were exchanged by the State for State bonds in reducing the State indebtedness.

Thrown Under Moving Train.

Greenville, Special.—George Cherry, the 12-year-old son of Mr. G. E. Cherry, came near being killed by an Atlantic Coast Line passenger train here Tuesday afternoon. The boy went to the station to mail a letter, and being late the train had begun moving before he reached there. He ran up to put the letter in the mail car and taking hold of the car was jerked down and thrown under it. He was thrown far enough under the car to miss the track and thus the wheels did not run over him. As soon as he felt the boy grabbed an iron rod underneath the car and was dragged on the cross-ties until the train could be stopped, which was done as quickly as possible. One leg was broken and the boy was also badly cut and bruised about the head and body. Catching the iron rod is all that saved his life.

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Killed by Falling Timber.

Wilmington, Special.—E. M. Gregg, a well known merchandise broker, while talking to a friend on the street here Monday morning was caught under a collapsing pile of brick and building material on the site of the new Woolwin building, near Third and Princess streets, and instantly killed. The accident occurred as Mr. Gregg was on his way down to business and stopped for a talk with Mr. John Hand at the Woolwin building. Mr. Gregg was standing with his back to the pile of debris which, for some unknown reason, it gave way and came crashing down. Mr. Hand jerked his associate to one side but was too late. A heavy window frame on top of the brick struck Mr. Gregg on the back of the head, killing him instantly. Mr. Gregg was about 65 years old and belongs to a leading South Carolina family. He leaves a wife and one little daughter.

Locomotive on Fire.

Fayetteville, Special.—The citizens of Raeford were startled Tuesday by seeing an engine on the Aberdeen and Rockfish railway rush through that growing town at a rate of fifty miles an hour, with a great sheet of flame issuing from its tender. The wood in the tender caught fire and the engine and fireman were unable to extinguish it. They cut the engine from the rest of the train, and ran it some little distance up the road. Before the engine could be brought to a standstill the fire became so hot that both engineer and fireman had to jump to keep from being roasted alive. The engine, left to itself, rushed madly onward, and did not stop until it had cleared Raeford some little distance.

Rocky Mount Postoffice.

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Escapes Recaptured.

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New Court Opens.

Salisbury, Special.—With Justice B. B. Miller on the bench, Ross Craig representing the State, Henry county's new court, established by the last Legislature, opened Monday. The opening of the court attracted a large crowd, including the members of the Salisbury High School, who were present to see Judge Miller in the new court.

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