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## Palmetto Affairs

The News of South Carolina in Condensed Form

**State Borrows Money.**  
Columbia, Special.—State Treasurer Jennings has returned from New York, where he went in connection with the negotiation of a loan for the State. The State has borrowed, on separate notes, the sum of \$200,000 at the rate of 4-1/2 per cent., the notes running until January. This money is needed for pensions and other expenses, as the State's income from taxes is almost altogether one year behind. It is possible that another loan will have to be made about the 1st of July, when interest on the State's bond debt is due.

**Adjustment of Claims.**  
Columbia, Special.—In the matter of the adjustment of claims, and of the public's seeking information along various lines, the railroad commission has prepared the following circular:  
"All corporations, firms or individuals doing business in South Carolina are hereby invited to submit to this commission any question of classification or rates about which information may be desired."  
"The commission will be pleased to assist in the collection of all just claims against transportation and transmission companies when such claims are properly made out."  
"The commission has been quite successful in handling these matters and desires to inform the public generally of its willingness to continue this work, though the matter of collecting claims is not strictly speaking imposed on this commission by law."

**Many New Lawyers Stand Examination.**  
Columbia, Special.—In the supreme court examinations were held for a number of applicants for admission to the bar. After the examination it was announced that the following applicants were admitted and sworn in:  
J. P. Carey, Jr., G. J. Patterson, Geo. W. Reeves, Harry N. Grossman, L. E. Boykin, J. W. Wingate, L. A. Manning, G. M. Pritchard, Douglas McKay, J. H. Moore, D. H. Hill, W. A. Kirby, C. E. Daniel, J. P. Tarbox, J. C. Lemacks, I. Brown, Martin, M. L. Grossman, E. E. Ritter, L. M. Gasque, C. E. Townsend, A. W. Holman, J. W. Manuel, R. C. Snipes and R. P. Traynham. The application of Mr. Martin was afterwards reconsidered as the applicant was not yet of age.

**Acts of General Assembly.**  
Columbia, Special.—The State printers last week delivered to Mr. William Elliott, the code commissioner, the first bound copy of the acts of the general assembly for the year 1908. As soon as the requisite number of volumes can be bound they will be turned over to the State librarian to be delivered to the officers and persons entitled thereto. The volume of the acts for the present year completes the 25th volume of the statutes at large, and consequently contains the index for the years 1907, 1908 and 1909. The index to charters is inserted as a separate volume.

**No Claims.**  
Columbia, Special.—James Malloy, who is to be executed at Bennettville the 22 of this month, Malloy was convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged last July, but on appeal the sentence was stayed. Now that the Supreme Court has sustained the judgment of the lower court, it was sought to invoke executive clemency and secure a commutation of sentence, but Governor Ansel has declined to grant the petition.

**J. S. Richardson Indicted.**  
Greenville, Special.—The grand jury in the general sessions court returned true bills in two cases against J. S. Richardson, Jr., a young man who was until several months ago Southern express agent in this city. Richardson is charged with a shortage in his accounts of several thousand dollars. He is now out of the city, but it is understood that he will come here and give bond. The case will not come up at this term.

**Prohibition in Colleton.**  
Waterloo, Special.—The county prohibition committee and township chairman met last week in the office of Peurifoy Bros. A very interesting meeting was held and sub-committees appointed in the various townships. This list, however, is not complete and the township chairman in each township will have the privilege of adding to it from time to time as they deem necessary.

**A Telephone Complaint.**  
Columbia, Special.—The railroad commissioner has received a petition from the chamber of commerce of Rock Hill, requesting a reduction in the telephone charges made by the local company. At a hearing last week it was brought out that \$2 per month was charged for residence telephones and \$3 per month for office telephones. This price was inserted in the franchise given by the city and the commission decided that the matter should be brought before the Rock Hill council for action before anything could be done by the commission.

**Election in Summerton.**  
Summerton, Special.—Officers to serve the town for the ensuing year were elected Tuesday as follows: Independent, Richard B. Smith, wardens; C. M. Davis and W. C. Johnson, Messrs. H. A. Richburg, J. O. Mathis and J. R. Erdon received the next highest number of votes, though not enough to elect. These gentlemen will run over at a second election on the 12th inst., when two additional wardens will be elected.

**S. C. Club Women.**  
Greenville, Special.—The South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs was crowded with business and pleasure. At the morning session several interesting addresses were delivered. Mrs. Fant of Anderson, chairman of the department of forestry and civics, read a report of her work during the past year, which showed wonderful growth. Mrs. M. P. A. I., as first chairman of the Inland school, was called to the platform and was warmly welcomed.

## THE COUNTY CONVENTIONS

Sentiment Expressed Generally Favorable to Mr. Bryan's Candidacy.

Columbia, Special.—The Democratic county conventions were held throughout the State on Monday. One of the leading features of these county meetings was the determination as to whether the South Carolina delegation to the national convention at Denver, Colorado, should be instructed for Bryan for the nomination for president. With regard to this matter the Columbia State of Tuesday gives the following summary:  
"Dispatches received up to midnight Monday night indicated that out of the 42 counties in the State 23 are instructed for the Nebraska, as follows:  
Fairfield, Marlboro, Calhoun, Abbeville, Newberry, York, Greenwood, Chester, Marion, Chesterfield, Laurens, Lancaster, Cherokee, Florence, Horry, Saluda, Greenville, Beaufort, Kershaw, Oconee, Orangeburg, Sumter, Union.  
In Lexington and Williamsburg Mr. Bryan was heartily endorsed.  
Bryan sentiment prevailed in Barnwell.  
The question of instructions was not mentioned in Edgefield, neither was there any mention of national politics in the counties of Berkeley and Spartanburg.  
Hampton, Colleton, Darlington, Charleston and Dorchester opposed instructions.  
In Anderson every mention of the Nebraska name was cheered.  
Bamberg sends a divided delegation.  
Richland's delegation shows five members in favor of instruction for the Nebraska.  
The total number of delegates to the State convention is 334, of which number 176 are instructed to vote for men pledged to vote for delegates pledged to support William Jennings Bryan for president, showing a majority in the Nebraska's favor of nine over the entire membership of the convention. This does not include the number of counties unreported, nor does it include the delegates from those counties which endorsed but did not instruct for Bryan.  
Of the counties which did not instruct positively for Mr. Bryan, 127 votes are represented and of this number it may be safely estimated 75 will, in the State convention, support delegates favorable to Bryan, giving him a grand total of 251 delegates from the counties thus far heard from.  
The reports from most of the counties show entire harmony and much interest in the campaign. Everything

## CHILD LABOR EVIL

Discussed in Connection With Compulsory Education

MANY FORCEFUL OPINIONS GIVEN

Three Speakers From the South Champion the Cause of Compulsory Education and Attack the Employment of Children in the Cotton Mills.  
Richmond, Va., Special.—Dealing with the world wide topic of children, their education, their training and the evil of driving them under steam pressure at the wheel when their frail limbs and bodies were too weak to stand the terrible punishment and strain, the general session of the national conference of charities and correction at St. Paul's church aroused the public to the importance of more adequate laws to protect them from the evils of factory work. Three speakers, natives and residents of the South, first championed the cause of compulsory education, and then attacked the employment of children in cotton mills, where they helped to give leisure and comfort to lazy and worthless fathers. The broad statement was made that illiteracy would disappear from the South if these young people could be dragged from spindle and loom and turned over to the tender care of teachers.  
Dr. A. J. McKelway, of Atlanta, assistant secretary of the national child labor committee, who discussed "Child Labor and Citizenship," declared that there was a time when a declaration of independence was necessary, but that the day had come when a declaration of dependence by the children of America was needed.  
Prof. W. H. Hand, of the University of South Carolina, and Miss Jean Gordon, factory inspector of New Orleans, pointed out the imperative demand for compulsory education while Miss Jane Addams, of Hull house, Chicago, urged a modification of the school by which the child should be taught to dominate his machine of labor and impressed with the relation of his studies to the work which he would later perform.  
The interdependence of the varying themes was so clearly impressed upon the audience that there was a touch of human interest throughout the appeal and with more definite understanding of conditions as they exist today. Though deploring the child labor evil, there was a tone of optimism in the address or it was

## THE WORK OF CONGRESS

Doings of Our National Law-Makers Day by Day.

Expense Bill Increased.

A lively debate was kept up all day Tuesday in the House on the sundry civil appropriation bill. Repeated efforts were made by Messrs. Gaines, of Tennessee, and Chaney, of Indiana, supported by many other members, to procure an appropriation for an investigation looking to increased safety in mining and they had about gotten Chairman Tawney to the point where he would consent to an appropriation of \$50,000, when Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, objected and the proposition for the time, at least, was defeated.  
A provision in the bill for the purchase of over 6,000 acres of land as an addition to Fort McKinley, Philippine Islands, based on a recommendation by General Leonard Wood elicited severe criticism of that officer by Messrs. Fitzgerald, of New York, and Mr. Butler of Pennsylvania, the former continually referring to him as "Dr. Wood." The provision, on motion of Mr. Hay, of Virginia, was stricken out by a unanimous vote.  
The additions to the bill were \$100,000 for the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., and \$16,500 for an addition to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, or a total increase to date of \$1,241,000.  
The three remaining hours of the session were taken up almost entirely by a succession of rolls calls, caused by a refusal of the House to take a recess at 5 o'clock, as a result of a joke on the part of some of the Republicans to hold the Democrats in the House until the time the Republican caucus was scheduled to be held.  
No Danger of Timber Famine.  
An extended speech in opposition to the forestry service was made by Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, in the Senate Tuesday while the agricultural appropriation bill was under consideration. Mr. Heyburn ridiculed the charts of the forestry service, one of which he exhibited on the wall of the Senate chamber, marked with such legends as "about 20 years supply left" and declared that the chief forester had undertaken to prophesy concerning the life of the forests in a way that would require more wisdom than was possessed by the sages of old. He said such men forget that forests grow, and added that there is as much forest growth to-day as there ever has been in the history of the world.  
He criticized the practice of speaking of "any man's policy," saying that the only man's policy is

## THE BLUE AND GRAY

Meet at Salisbury, N. C., and Unveil Monument

TO MEMORY OF MAINE'S DEAD

Beautiful Monument of Gray Granite Dedicated to the Heroes Who Gave Up Their Lives For the Union in Salisbury Prison.  
Salisbury, N. C., Special.—With elaborate ceremony, marked by a dignity and solemnity befitting the occasion, the State of Maine, through her official representatives, unveiled a stately shaft to the memory of the 303 soldiers who died in Salisbury prison during the Civil war.  
Throughout the exercises there was a tender note of sympathy for the heroic dead who lie in the trenches of this beautiful city of the dead, and every speaker voiced in words inspired by deep-founded patriotism tribute as eloquent as if it had been delivered upon those who fell in the hottest of the fray. That they had sacrificed their lives in prison was not the fortune of war, and their sacrifice was as glorious, for  
"The fittest place where man can die  
Is where he dies for man."  
Full five thousand people, most of them men and women who had been true to the Confederacy, looked upon the exercises and entered into the spirit of a momentous occasion—appreciating earnestly and sincerely this tribute of a great State to the men who died that the Union might live.  
Crowded into the speakers' stand were the men and women who had traveled so far to do honor to their countrymen; flocking the hillsides in every direction, as far as the eye could reach, were sympathetic thousands who joined heart and soul in his tribute to the brave; who realized that  
"No more shall the war cry sever  
Or the winding rivers be red."  
And over yonder, hard by the trenches stood the "thin gray line," with tear-dimmed eyes.  
It was a scene never to be forgotten by those privileged to witness it. Never was this hallowed spot more

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### MILLION DOLLAR FIRE

NOMINATE JUDGE HARMON

City of Atlanta Suffers Severe Property Loss

ENTIRE BLOCK IS SWEEP AWAY

Fire Which Started Early Friday Morning Destroys Two Blocks in the Heart of Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—One million and a quarter is the loss conservatively estimated on a fire which started at 3:30 o'clock Friday morning and which swept two blocks of Atlanta business property.  
How the fire started is a mystery. It was discovered in the building occupied by the Schlessinger-Meyer Company, bakery. From there it ran its way in all directions until it struck the Terminal Hotel, one of the largest in the city, and gutted that. During the early morning hours every one in the Terminal Hotel and in numerous other smaller hotels in the district had warning. There was no loss of life and no injuries.  
The insurance on the property destroyed is placed by insurance men

Democrats Hold a Tumultuous Meeting, in Which Intense Factional Feeling Holds Sway.

Columbus, O., Special.—In a tumultuous convention, characterized by the intense factional feeling of the Ohio Democrats, Wednesday nominated Judson Harmon, of Cincinnati, formerly Attorney General of the United States under President Cleveland, for Governor, and endorsed William J. Bryan and instructed the Ohio delegates to the national convention to vote for him for President.  
A complete State ticket was nominated. Former Gov. James E. Campbell, of Butler county, was endorsed for the United States Senate and delegates and alternates at large to the national convention were selected. David L. Roswell, of Kent, was nominated for Lieutenant Governor.  
The following were elected delegates and alternates at large to the national convention:  
Delegates at large, Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland; W. S. Thomas, Springfield; E. W. Hanley, Dayton, and Matthew R. Denver, Wilmington. Alternates at large, T. P. Satter-

**Little Girl Is Outraged.**  
Columbia, S. C., Special.—A special from Lexington says that community in a state of intense excitement over a criminal assault Friday afternoon upon 9-year-old Lula May Leopard, a prominent farmer's daughter, living about two miles from Langley, by an unknown white man, who has made his escape.

**Gov. Magoon to Tour Cuba.**  
Havana, by Cable.—Governor Magoon, with leading officials of the government, will start on a tour of inspection of the western part of the island. Similar trips will be made to other parts later. When concluded it is believed that Governor Magoon will announce his opinion as to the expediency of dissolving the provisional government, withdrawing the troops and restoring home rule.

**An Aiken Barn Burned.**  
Aiken, Special.—Tuesday night the barn of Mrs. Mosely, who lives two miles from Aiken, was completely destroyed. Two mules and one cow were burned to death, and two more mules were so badly burned that they are expected to die. This is the same barn that was burned a year or two ago, and for which a negro was tried and convicted for setting the fire. This is the third time the barn on this place has been burned during the past few years. It is not known whether there was insurance or not. The total loss will amount to several hundred dollars.

**Important Matter Involved.**  
Greenville, Special.—The grand jury returned a true bill against H. P. Dill, former changing overseer, who is charged with whipping a convict. A great deal of interest centers around this case, as local attorneys claim that if Dill is convicted it means the abolition of the whipping post at the penitentiary. Dill admits whipping the prisoner, but claims it was necessary, as the latter was insolent.

**Admiral Holiday in Charleston.**  
Charleston, Special.—Rear Admiral Richard C. Holliday, chief of bureau of yards and docks, and commander Charles Carlton Marsh of the board of inspection and survey arrived at the Charleston navy yard, having accompanied Commander G. L. Dyer here from Washington for the purpose of making an inspection of the yard, with special reference, it is understood, to the construction of the facilities for the quartering of the torpedo flotilla.

**Boundary Line Dispute.**  
The old dispute as to the boundary lines between Lancaster and Kershaw counties has been revived and Gov. Ansel, acting under instructions from the general assembly, has appointed Messrs. C. C. Wilson, C. S. Deight and F. H. Colecock of Columbia as a board of surveyors to settle the dispute. The town of Kershaw is on the boundary line and because of the dispute over the territory of the two counties the property tax is often in the courts. The last general assembly passed an act requiring the settlement of this dispute and therefore the report of the surveyor will be of especial interest.

**The Commission's Bond.**  
Columbia, Special.—Attorney General Lyon has received notice from the secretary of Judge Pritchard that a hearing would be held at Richmond on a motion to alter the bond required from the members of the commission, now placed at \$250,000. The motion comes entirely without the request of the attorneys for the commission, as the recent order by Judge Pritchard has not yet been complied with and the members of the commission having waited for a move on the part of the federal judge. Whether a motion will be made to reduce the bond.

**Special Term For Lee.**  
Columbia, Special.—Gov. Ansel has ordered a special term of court in Lee county, beginning the fourth Monday in May and lasting as long as necessary. The special term is requested by the members of the bar on account of the crowded condition of the docket and will continue for at least three weeks.

**GUS LEE RESPITED.**  
Chester Negro Will Not Hang Until June 5.

Columbia, Special.—On account of the evidence before Gov. Ansel in the case of Gus Lee of Chester county, sentenced to hang this month for the murder of another negro, the sentence has been respited until June 5. The supreme court has previously refused to reopen the case.

**Monument to Pocahontas.**  
Washington, Special.—A monument to Pocahontas is to be erected at Jamestown, Va., according to a bill reported from the committee on commerce by Senator Daniel and passed by the Senate. The measure appropriates \$53,000 for the memorial provided an equal amount is supplied by the Pocahontas Memorial Association. The monument is to commemorate the first permanent settlement of English speaking people in the Western hemisphere through the intervention of the Indian maid.

**Big Fire in Detroit.**  
Detroit, Mich., Special.—Fire Sunday damaged the three upper floors of the six-story department store of Goldberg Bros., on Woodward avenue, causing a loss of \$150,000, on which there was \$100,000 insurance. The lower floors, which were not burned, were flooded with water, causing heavy damage there.

**Life Had Lost Its Charm.**  
Richmond, Special.—Justus Flavel Wright Gatch, a salesman for the American Seating Company, of Chicago, committed suicide in his apartment on West Franklin street, as a result of despondency due to business reverses. The man, who was 53 years of age, fired a bullet into his own temple while sitting upright in a chair with a blanket wrapped around him. The lifeless body of the man was discovered by his young daughter, Ida, who heard the report of the revolver.

**Tank Steamer Still on Sandbar.**  
New York, Special.—The tank steamer Washtenaw was still upon the sandbar off Monmouth, N. J., where she struck during a fog Friday, though efforts to free her were continued. There was a fresh breeze in the northwest and a moderate sea during the night. The vessel appeared to be in no immediate danger and the crew remained on board.

**Five Men Drowned.**  
Newburyport, Mass., Special.—Caught by a big wave as they were crossing the bar off Plum Island, at the mouth of the Merrimack river, nine men of this city, who were on a pleasure cruise in a naphtha launch, Sunday were capsized and five of them were drowned. Captain George E. Bailey, the owner of the launch, and three other men were picked up by passing boats.

**Galinger Bill Passes.**  
The Senate passed a bill Wednesday prohibiting the employment within certain hours of children under 14 years of age in the District of Columbia in any factory, work shop, telegraph office, restaurant, hotel, apartment house, saloon, pool or billiard room, bowling alley or theatre, or in the distribution or transmission of merchandise or messages. No such child is permitted to work at any employment for wages during school hours nor before 6 a. m., or after 7 p. m.

The Senate also adopted a resolution offered by Mr. Foraker, of Ohio, directing the inter-State commerce commission to inform the Senate whether the commodity clause of the inter-State commerce act had been complied with since May 1st 1908, and if not whether the non-compliance by the railroads has been due to any agreement, arrangement, or understanding between the railroad companies and the authorities. An amendment by Mr. Culberson agreed to also call on the commission to state its reasons for recommending an extension of two years in the time given the railroads to comply with the commodity clause.

The conference report on the army appropriation bill carrying an aggregate of \$95,377,236, was adopted. This amount was \$3,463,000 less than the bill carried when first passed by the Senate.

**Says Soldiers are Innocent.**  
Senator Bulkeley, of Connecticut, a member of the committee on military affairs, spoke at length in the Senate Monday on the Brownsville affair. Mr. Bulkeley declared his belief in the innocence of the negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Regiment and said the rioters in the town on the night of August 13th-14th, 1906, in his judgment were lawless Mexicans from outside the town, assisted by the lawless class within Brownsville. Mr. Bulkeley spoke over four hours, his remarks including a review of all testimony that has been taken in the case.

The Senate Monday passed the House resolution appropriating \$250,000 to relieve the recent cyclone sufferers in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Louisiana.

**Sundry Civil Bill in the House.**  
The House completely overrode the committee on appropriations in connection with several items in the sundry civil appropriation bill. When the measure was laid aside for the day \$250,000 had been added to the sum recommended by the committee, which included \$11,000 for gauging the streams and determining the water supply of the United States; an increase of \$50,000 in the appropriation for testing structural materials and \$100,000 for testing coals, ligonites and other fuel substances. These changes were not accomplished, however, without a prolonged debate in which the committee found itself practically alone.

The formal ceremonies of the day began with the parade to the National Cemetery, which formed in front of the Empire Hotel and under command of Adjutant General T. R. Robertson proceeded through the principal streets of the city and thence to the cemetery. The parade was headed by the First Hill Band and the Rowan Rifles, and then came a detachment of Confederate veterans on foot and the ladies and gentlemen of the Maine party and the speakers of the day in carriages.

The visitors and the State officials occupied seats in the band stand and when the exercises began at 2 o'clock there was not standing room as far as the eye could see from this post of vantage. Hon. Thomas G. Libby, State councillor, acted as master of ceremonies and, following a prayer by Hon. W. Scott Libby, introduced Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes, who was present as the personal representative of Governor Glenn.

Secretary Grimes apologized for the absence of the Governor's stating that important engagements kept him away. Then, in an address of considerable length he extended the greetings of the State of North Carolina to the visitors from the Pine Tree State.

In happy contrast was the response on behalf of the State of Maine by Hon. Thurston S. Burns, of Westbrook, Me., and this felicitous strain spoken with an earnestness and enthusiasm that betrayed the sincerity underlying it, was re-echoed and emphasized by Mayor Boyden, in extending a welcome to the City of Salisbury and in the response by Hon. Leroy F. Pike, of Cornish, Me. Mayor Boyden never made a happier speech in his life and it was applauded to the echo. He voiced the welcome of all Salisbury and all North Carolina members, and will be largely helpful in cementing the friendship between the North and the South.

**Soldier Burglars Arrested.**  
Tampa, Fla., Special.—Privates George Roberts and Joseph Henry, of the 11th company coast artillery stationed at Fort Dade, were brought to this city and lodged in jail. The men broke into the postoffice and cash register and contents and numerous other articles, then escaped in a boat belonging to the government. They were run down and arrested near Bradenton.

**Excitement at Hamilton.**  
Hamilton, Special.—Tobacco growers are in a heat of excitement. A band of men, declared by the growers to be night-riders, visited this county during the night. Following their visit a big tobacco shed and six thousand pounds of tobacco were destroyed on the farm of Barney Harburn. The invasion of the growers and the subsequent fire have caused the growers to place their crops under an armed guard.

**Alabama Endorses Taft.**  
Birmingham, Ala., Special.—The State convention here Wednesday of the Thompson or administration wing of the Republican party was all for Taft. Strong resolutions endorsing his candidacy for the presidency and commending the national administration were adopted and the delegates to the national convention were instructed to cast their votes at Chicago for the Secretary of War. The delegates elected were: J. O. Thompson, Birmingham; W. R. Fairley, Pratt City; F. E. Lathrop, Birmingham; N. H. Alexander, (colored) Montgomery. Alternates: Byron Trammel, Dothan; H. E. Owen, Montgomery; Jere Murphy, Huntsville; Dr. U. G. Mason, (colored), Birmingham. The electors chosen were I. Pollak, Cullman, and James W. Lee Birmingham.

**The Paper Trust Investigation.**  
Good progress was made before the special committee investigating the control of prices of white paper by the paper trust. Many telegrams and letters from publishers in all sections of the country were placed in evidence, all going to show that prices have been arbitrarily advanced, and that if the duty should be removed a fall in price of \$6.00 or more per ton would result. Many newspapers men have expressed a willingness to go to Washington and testify. The committee will adjourn to Farmers Falls, New York, to investigate the cost of manufacturing paper.

**Pretty South Carolina Girl Snubbed at Railroad.**  
Spartanburg, S. C., Special.—Miss Sallie Bragg, a pretty young lady of Campobello, this county, has commenced an action against the Charleston & Western Carolina road for damages in the sum of \$50,000, alleging that while she was a passenger on one of the trains of the defendant, she was grossly insulted by the conductor of the train. The complaint is now being prepared by I. A. Phifer, attorney for the plaintiff, and it is understood that the allegations will be of a highly sensational nature.

**Three Hundred Afghans Killed.**  
London by Cable.—Three hundred Afghans were killed and many more wounded in Sunday's and Monday's fighting with General Sir James W. Buller's British force at the west entrance to the Kyber Pass, according to the official report.

**New Jersey Summer Hotel Burned.**  
Bernardsville, N. J., Special.—Somerset Inn, one of the most beautiful summer hotels in Northern New Jersey, was burned Wednesday. The fire is believed to have been started by an incendiary. The loss is a quarter of a million.