

Palmetto Affairs

The News of South Carolina in Condensed Form

More Cadets Dismissed.
Clemson College, Special.—Two hundred and fifty-seven students of Clemson College were dismissed from the institution. This number, with the 48 members of the junior class dismissed on Saturday, aggregates 305 dismissed on account of the all-foul's day escapade, when 300 cadets absented themselves from the campus, drills and classes from 7:45 a. m. until 6 p. m. Of the 300 participants only four were not dismissed. E. B. McBrady, a member of the junior class from Charleston, was suspended until next September. He testified before the discipline committee that he absented himself from drills and classes, but did not leave the campus. Cadet B. T. Knight, of Chesterfield, a member of the freshman class, was excused of this charge. It was on account of extenuating circumstances surrounding his case that the committee dismissed the charges. Cadet J. H. Haydon of Orangeburg of the preparatory class and Cadet J. R. Fizer of Summerville of the freshman class will be dealt with summarily by Commandant Minus. The testimony in the cases of these young men differed widely from the testimony in the other cases. The discipline committee met in the president's office. The session lasted until 1 o'clock in the morning, when it was announced the committee had determined upon punishment for the participants in the escapade. The committee has been holding sessions three times a day excepting Sunday since last Wednesday—one week ago. At 7:45 Friday morning when the corps formed in line for their regular daily drill Commandant Minus had his adjutant to publish an order directing the participants in the escapade to turn in at the quarter-master's department all college and government properties in their possession.

Settlement in Sight.
A special from Asheville, N. C., gives the latest developments in the dispensary litigation as follows: "Judge Pritchard in the United States Circuit Court, signed an order in the South Carolina dispensary matter which, it is believed by local counsel for the complainants, will have the effect, if accepted by counsel for the winding-up dispensary commission, of ending the matter temporarily and permitting it to pursue its way through the courts. The order made by Judge Pritchard provides: First, the defendants, constituting the State dispensary commission, shall, within five days from the date of this order, deposit in the registry of this court, to be held subject to the orders of this court, all notes, evidences of indebtedness, collateral and other securities of whatever kind and character, taken by them to secure the payment of the moneys deposited in the various banks within the State of South Carolina. Second, the defendants shall, within the said five days, file a bond with good and sufficient surety to be approved by this court, in the sum of \$250,000, payable to the receivers heretofore appointed by this court, and conditioned to turn over to said receivers in the event that the orders appealed from shall be affirmed, or the defendants shall fail to prosecute their appeal, all moneys, credits, accumulated interest, property or assets which said defendants or any of them, now have, or ought to have in their possession or under their control under and by virtue of the act of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, creating the dispensary commission." It is given out on reliable authority that the dispensary commission will accept.

Rev. Mr. Hafney Accepts.
Clover, Special.—At a call meeting of the Bowling Green Presbyterian congregation last Friday Rev. W. H. Hafner announced his decision to accept the call to Fort Mill. Mr. Hafner has been pastor of the Bowling Green church for ten years and a half, and is held in high esteem by all who know him in this community regardless of denomination.

Violated Military Law.
Columbia, Special.—Adj. Gen. Boyd has received a letter from Capt. Dudley of the Clifton company, stating that Jesse Bryser, a former member of his company, is in the Spartanburg jail, charged with selling his uniform, a violation of the military law of this state. It is probable that the case against the man will be dropped upon the payment of all costs but Gen. Boyd stated emphatically that the military companies must take better care of the property issued which belongs to the government. The next violation reported will be prosecuted.

Spartan City Band Named.
Spartanburg, Special.—The Spartanburg City band has been appointed the official band of the First regiment, South Carolina National Guards, and will be mustered in at an early date. It is possible that the band may be mustered in next Wednesday when Adjutant General Brock and Adjutant General Brock and Lieut. Cabanis come to Spartanburg to inspect the Hampton Guards.

Johnston, Special.—Saturday afternoon about 2 o'clock Mr. B. M. Rushton died suddenly at his home here, his death being caused by rheumatism of the heart. He was buried Sunday afternoon at Bethlehem Methodist church, six miles from Johnston. Mr. Rushton was born and raised near Bethlehem and he was the son of Mrs. Tabitha Rushton. Mr. Rushton was a good citizen and much respected.

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THE WORK OF CONGRESS

Doings of Our National Law-Makers Day by Day.

Army Bill Passed.
The army appropriation bill as reported to the Senate carries \$98,920,406, a net increase of \$14,612,843 over the amount of the bill as it was passed by the House. The principal items of increase are as follows: Telephone system at interior and coast artillery posts, \$70,000; increase pay of officers and enlisted men, \$7,000,000; militia encampments and manoeuvres, \$1,000,000; subsistence, \$382,591; regular supplies and incidental expenses, quartermaster's department, \$1,215,394; barracks and quarters, \$1,472,580; transportation for army and supplies \$274,437; water and sewers and military posts, \$711,275; construction and repair of hospitals, \$225,000; special apparatus and supplies for field artillery for organized militia, \$250,000; manufacture of arms, \$300,000; and quarters for officers and nurses at Fort Bayard, N. M., \$214,100.

Senate Devotes Day To It.
Nearly the entire time of the Senate was taken up in the consideration of the army bill, but only minor amendments were offered and these, with one exception, were voted down. The only amendment adopted provided for a system of waterworks for Fort William Henry, Montana, for which \$20,000 was appropriated. The pay of officers and enlisted men in the army will be materially increased should the clause carrying \$7,000,000 for that purpose pass the House when the bill as amended is sent back to that body.

The Fortifications Bill.
Senator Perkins reported to the Senate the bill making appropriations for fortifications and other work of defense. It carries \$1,510,187, an increase of \$3,299,576 over the amount of the bill as it was passed by the House. The principal items of increase are as follows: Construction of gun and mortar batteries, \$835,000; fire control stations and accessories, \$99,635; current for power and lighting at seacoast fortifications \$248,888; sea wall at Fort Travis, Texas, \$350,000; seacoast cannon carriages and sites \$378,013; seacoast batteries in Hawaiian islands, \$269,400; submarine mine structures, Hawaiian islands \$59,000; torpedo planters and launchers for Hawaiian and Philippine islands, \$199,000; guns and carriages for Hawaiian and Philippine islands \$220,400; ammunition for insular possessions \$200,000; submarine mine material for Hawaiian islands, \$188,614.

Liability Bill Passed.
With only one vote recorded against it, that of Mr. Littlefield of Maine, the House of Representatives under suspension of the rules passed the Sterling employers' liability bill after 40 minutes' debate. In brief the bill establishes the doctrine that the railroad companies engaged in interstate commerce are liable for personal injuries received by employees in the service of such carriers. It abolishes the strict common law rule of liability which bars a recovery for the personal injury or death of an employee, occasioned by the negligence of a fellow servant. It also relaxes the common law rule which makes contributory negligence a defense to claims for such injuries. A provision, however, diminishes the amount of the recovery in the same degree that the negligence of the injured one contributed to the injury. The bill further makes each party responsible for his own negligence and requires each to bear the burden thereof.

The Bill Explained.
Mr. Sterling, of Illinois, explained the provisions of the bill, and in response to a question by Mr. Crum, of Indiana, stated that the bill would be applicable to inter-urban car lines between States and street railway lines in the territories of the District of Columbia. Mr. Henry, of Texas, said the bill was a meritorious and constitutional one and that not a Democratic vote be recorded against it.

Shipments of Chadbourne Berries Begins.
Wilmington, N. C., Special.—Requisition was made for seven refrigerators for strawberry shipments from the Chadbourne section, and twenty cars are asked to be used by Monday. The first berries appeared on this market Saturday and sold readily at 25 cents a quart. The shipments to the North have not yet been sufficient to establish a market for the North Carolina fruit. The coming week the movements is expected to reach 75 or 100 cars daily.

Teachers Go To Savannah.
New York, Special.—A party of New York's public school teachers sailed for Savannah, Ga., on the steamship City of Columbus, to spend the Easter holidays in the South. There are 70 women and 10 men in the party, which included Principals Walter B. Gunnison, of Erasmus Hall High School, and Charles D. Larkins, of the Mutual Training School.

A \$10,000,000 FIRE MONEY FOR NAVY

Boston Suffers Heaviest Loss Since San Francisco

Two Lives Known to Be Lost
Fire Which Originated From Spontaneous Combustion in Rear of Boston Blacking Company's Works Devastates More Than One Square Mile of the Manufacturing, Business and Tenement District of Chelsea.

Boston, Special.—Fire devastated more than one square mile of the manufacturing, business and tenement district of Chelsea Sunday evening, a loss estimated at fully \$10,000,000. The fire started at 10:40 a. m. near the Boston Blacking Company's works on West Third street, near the Everett City line, and crossed the city, a distance of one mile and a quarter to Marginal, opposite the east Boston shore. So far as can be learned there was one fatality. Half a hundred persons were injured.

Fire Under Control.
The Chelsea fire was practically under control at 9 o'clock Sunday night. The women are known to be dead as a result of the fire. Neither body has been identified. The fire originated in the rear of the Boston Blacking Company's works on West Third street, near the eastern division of the Boston & Maine Railroad and in close proximity to the Everett City line. A terrific gale from the northwest, which at times had a velocity of 60 miles an hour, carried burning shingles, embers and myriads of sparks to a score of wooden buildings, most of them of cheap wooden construction.

Chief Items in the Bill.
Among the chief items in the bill are the following: For naval training station, Great Lakes, \$1,095,600; for construction and machinery \$9,322,962; for armament and armor \$7,000,000; for equipment \$400,000; for subsurface and submarine boats \$1,445,000.

Twenty-seven New Boats.
The appropriation for coal and transportation is increased \$850,000. For provisions for the navy an appropriation is made of \$6,547,903. The report accompanying the bill states that an allowed increase of \$100,000 in the appropriation for provisions for the marine corps "is due to the increased cost of 16 per cent. in the price of rations."

Jealous Husband Shoots Wife and Suicides.
New York, Special.—Without warning and apparent motive Albert Heiser, a baker, suddenly drew a revolver at his young bride and then killed himself by sending a bullet through his brain at their home on Lexington avenue. Mrs. Heiser who was twice wounded in the body, is not expected to recover. She told the police that her husband had been jealous of her and could not say why he had attempted to take her life.

LaFollette Ahead in Wisconsin.
Milwaukee, Wis., Special.—Scattering returns received from throughout Wisconsin indicate that four delegates at large favorable to the nomination of Robert M. LaFollette at the Republican National Convention at Chicago have been elected. The returns so far show that in almost every instance LaFollette delegates have a good lead on the Taft opponents.

STATE MAY RESIST CONGRESSMAN DIES

South Carolina Will Probably Refuse to Give Heavy Bond

Representative Brick Added to Long List of Present Session
HAD JUST BEEN RENOMINATED

Order of Judge Pritchard Granting Supersedeas on Certain Conditions in the Dispensary Matter Served Friday on Commission and Attorney General, But Conditions Will Not Be Complied With—Collateral in Hands of State Treasurer Who Is in Mississippi and Not in Possession of Commission—Attorney General Lyon Back From Washington, Where He Called on Chief Justice Fuller and Discussed Case.

Resolutions of Regret.
Washington, Special.—Official announcement of the death of Abraham L. Brick, of Indiana, was made in the House of Representatives by Mr. Overstreet, one of his colleagues, who offered resolutions of regret, which were unanimously adopted.

Bank Property Sold.
Atlanta, Ga., Special.—According to an announcement made here the Buena Vista and other suburban property in Havana, Cuba, which were one of the assets of the Neal Bank, now in a receiver's hands in this city, has been sold to J. E. Barlow, of Havana, for \$75,000. A local firm had an interest in the property and received half of the sale price, the other half going to the Neal bank.

Incipient Riot Quelled.
Augusta, Ga., Special.—The police reserves were called out here to quell a riot among negroes Monday at Twigg and Charles streets. Mack Freyer, a negro, was fatally shot by the police. The trouble originated in the negro settlement when a policeman attempted to quell a disturbance.

Child Labor and Education.
Atlanta, Ga., Special.—A discussion of child labor in its relation to education, in which many prominent delegates participated, was the feature of Friday's session of the National Child Labor Conference. Friday evening Dr. Felix Adler, of New York spoke on "The Basis of the Anti-Child-Labor Movement in the Idea of American Civilization." Don Marquis, editor of Uncle Remus' Magazine, discussed "The Child and the Mill," and addresses were made by several others.

Asquith Will Be British Premier.
London, By Cable.—Chancellor of the Exchequer Herbert H. Asquith left for Biarritz, in Southwestern France, to receive from King Edward the offer of the British premiership, to accept it and hurry back to London to resume at once the duties he has been performing during the illness of his predecessor, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.