

## THE LIFE OF ITS LIFE

## Irrigation Committee Is Won by the West.

## INCIDENTS OF ITS TOUR

## Mondell Tells How Roosevelt Killed Off Cannon's Opposition to Bill.

## Jones' Prize Speech Wins Arizona People.

RENO, Nev., June 22.—(Special.)—The Congressional Irrigation Committee, after a long and arduous journey, arrived here today. The committee, which has been touring the West for the past several months, will be in Reno for the next few days. The committee is composed of Messrs. Jones, Cannon, and others. The committee is expected to report on the irrigation bill. The committee is expected to report on the irrigation bill. The committee is expected to report on the irrigation bill.

The trip is necessarily hurried; little time is allowed for sightseeing. Everything is sacrificed to the cause of irrigation, and the Congressmen, in order to increase their knowledge of this subject, have foregone many pleasures. They have sought the desert that is being reclaimed in preference to the city, with its innumerable entertainments. That is why not more than a day is given to any city; that is why the bulk of the time is being devoted to irrigated or irrigable districts.

## How Roosevelt Carried the Law.

But for the hearty support given them by President Roosevelt, the Western men in Congress could never have secured the passage of the National Irrigation law. This has been acknowledged time and again by the members of the irrigation party, irrespective of politics. The Republicans tell with pride of the President's interest in the West; the Democrats commend the President for this same friendliness to the West and attempt to claim him as their own. Perhaps the strongest blow which President Roosevelt dealt in behalf of the irrigation bill was the blow which demolished the opposition of Speaker Cannon, the most powerful opponent of the legislation and the man most apt to bring about its defeat.

At the banquet in this city, Representative Mondell, who had charge of the bill in the House of Representatives, told for the first time the story of the President's intervention. The day the bill was to be called up for consideration, Mr. Mondell went to the White House for a conference with the President. He declared that the opposition of the Speaker would defeat the bill, and asked the President to intervene and draw off Mr. Cannon. "We've got to have the bill," said the President. "But, to be frank, we are afraid of a piece of heavy artillery, one Cannon."

## Letter Which Spiked Cannon.

My Dear Mr. Cannon: Mr. Mondell informs me that the House is today to take up for consideration the National Irrigation bill. I have given this subject much attention and I am not in the least sympathetic with the opposition to the bill. I consider it one of the most important measures which have been before Congress for consideration, and I feel that it would be a great misfortune if the bill should fail.

We have for many years very properly appropriated millions of dollars for the improvement of our harbors and inland waterways of the Nation. I believe these expenditures have been wise, in the main, but I believe that the money expended for the irrigation of arid lands will be of much more benefit to the Nation than the same amount expended for river and harbor work. If it is right, as I believe it is, that we should improve the waterways of the Nation, it is at least equally right that we should assist in the reclamation of the arid lands of the West.

## Speech of a True Diplomat.

If the President is looking about for a true diplomat, a man capable to handle delicate questions of state, the Congressional party is ready to recommend a man it found at Las Cruces, N. M. The expression "father of the irrigation law" is commonly heard throughout the West, but there is a decided lack of unanimity of opinion as to who is entitled to the title. In some sections, Senator Newlands, of Nevada, is known as the "father" of this law; in other states, Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, is given the credit, and no small number of people look upon "Father Bill" Reeder, of Kansas, as the paternal ancestor of the National act. This particular citizen of Las Cruces, president of the Water Users Association, made the address of welcome to the Congressional party, and he evidently knew all the facts. For in the course of his remarks he said that he and his people were proud to welcome to their midst "the father of the irrigation law." That was all; he mentioned no names, but the other members of the party were amused to note the angle that sprang over the countenance of Mr. Mondell, then to gaze on the look of pride which Mr. Reeder donned, and lastly, to note the manner in which Senator Newlands straightened up, pulled down his vest and waited, as if to hear his name called. Senator Dubois, who had observed the incident, walked up to Mr. Mondell as the party disbanded and, in bantering tones, said:

## Bill Had Seventeen Fathers.

At the next banquet, in order to prevent a recurrence of the Las Cruces incident, various members of the party explained in some detail that no man was or is entitled to be called "father of the irrigation law," but that the measure now being carried out was the joint work of 17 Senators and Representatives, who drafted the bill in much the shape in which it stands today. This committee was appointed, one from each State and

Territory of the West, and worked night and day for two months, preparing the bill, which was subsequently passed by both houses. Each member of this committee is entitled to equal credit for the framing of the law, and each is entitled, as much as every other, to the title of "father of the irrigation law."

## Ostrich's Lesson to Mormons.

The ostrich farm at Pasadena, Cal., proved of immense interest to the party, but none more than to Senator Dubois. The keeper of the ungainly but valuable birds, in telling of their habits, remarked that an ostrich makes but one, and that for life. When a year old, the male ostrich chooses a mate, and, once the choice is made, no other lady bird attracts him. If his mate dies, he remains a widower; if the male bird dies, his widow is equally loyal to his memory.

## Jones' Prize Speech.

Representative Jones, of Washington, one of the most forceful speakers in Congress, has made a hit on the trip. He is a man who sees, who thinks, and when he speaks he has something to say. To him belongs the honor of making the best speech of the entire trip. Down in Arizona the people are primarily interested at this time in the question of statehood. Government irrigation is assured them, and they prefer to talk statehood to anything else. It was so when the Congressmen were with them. Arizona does not want joint statehood; Arizona does not want statehood in any form; she merely asks to be let alone, to develop until she is fully entitled to admission into the Union as a separate state. And the arguments of the Arizona people have been telling effect upon the visiting Congressmen. At the banquet at Phoenix several Senators and Representatives had been called and responded with pleasant speeches congratulating Arizona on her bright future and pledging themselves to vote against a statehood bill. In turn Mr. Jones was called. Walking to the platform, he launched forth on his prize speech:

"I know what you want, and I am for it." That was all he said, but it won the people. He did not hedge, but came straight to the point. From that moment Arizona counted him among her best friends.

## Newlands' New Hobby.

Senator Newlands has been acting as chief spokesman of the party. He has been compelled to speak at every banquet, save that at the home city, and, like the somewhat illiterate hero recorded in modern history, "he saw his duty and he did it." The Senator is an enthusiast; to some extent he is a fanatic. For many years prior to the passage of the National Irrigation law, he talked irrigation in season and out, day and night, high days and holidays. He never let up. Now, when the irrigation law is on the statute books, he has taken up a new theme, and everywhere he goes he preaches the doctrine of the National incorporation of railroads. As a member of the Senate, on interstate commerce, Mr. Newlands got at the bottom facts bearing on the so-called railroad evil, and he has reached the conclusion that nothing short of National incorporation will effect a cure. So it has been that, while he started every speech with an irrigation talk, he would end with a railroad speech. And he has announced that he is going to fight for National incorporation until he gets it, just as he fought for National irrigation.

## Aged Emperor Takes Part in Corpus Christi Procession.

VIENNA, June 22.—Amid accompaniments of medieval pomp and circumstance, the aged Emperor of Austria, King of Hungary and Bohemia, etc., Francis Joseph, took part in the yearly Corpus Christi procession in Vienna today. His majesty was greeted enthusiastically by his people as he was driven through the streets of the inner city, but it was the universal dictum of the Viennese that the Emperor had aged greatly since they last saw him participate in this ceremony two years ago, and the appearance of his majesty was described as "the most beautiful festival of the Catholic Church." Beginning with the earliest morning hours the streets of the inner city of Vienna were filled with the throngs of people in expectation of the coming procession, and by 7 o'clock the windows, balconies and stands along the line of march were crowded with people. The streets were decorated with flags, boughs of trees and many colored hangings, and at convenient places temporary open-air altars had been erected. The procession started from the Hofburg, proceeded to the Cathedral on the Stefansplatz, where the religious ceremonies were held, and returned to the Hofburg. Gorgeous colors, crimson, gold and silver, magnificent uniforms and trappings, glowing tunics, the clanking of armor and the silent tread of the clergy in strong contrast, the flashing of jewels and the glare in the sunlight of the white robes of the priests, barbaric and brilliant splendor and silent prayer, marked the progress of the sacred and military procession in honor of the consecrated host.

## Robbers Are Alarmed and Escape Without Securing Anything From Passengers or Express Car.

TACOMA, June 22.—Train robbers made an unsuccessful attempt to hold up the North Coast Limited from the Twin Cities tonight three miles west of Puyallup. One man boarded the train at Puyallup and when the train was two miles from the station ordered the engineer to stop the train at a fire that was burning near the tracks a short distance ahead.

## Engineer Keyword Did Not Stop the Train Until a Half Mile Beyond the Fire. Brake-Man Harkins Ran up to the engine to see what the trouble was and the bandit shot at him.

Harkins threw his lantern into the ditch and started back for the train. The bandit then ordered the engineer and conductor to get out of the way while he made an attempt to back the train to the fire, where his confederates were standing. He was unable to get the engine started and called for the engineer.

## The robber then began to realize his position and as the engineer stepped into the cab he fired twice, one bullet fastening on the boiler head. The bandit then jumped to the ground and ran into the brush.

## Wait a Bit.

Omaha Bee. Oregon started out with louder noise, but Nebraska beat it in setting its law-defying land-grabbers to conviction.

## COLUMBIA RIVER EXCURSIONS.

Very Low Rates Via the O. R. & N. to Upper River Points.

No visitor to Portland should miss viewing the matchless Columbia River scenery between Portland and The Dalles, as seen from the O. R. & N. trains. The Chicago-Portland special leaves The Union Station every morning at 9:05, giving a daylight ride along the Columbia, stopping 4 minutes at the very foot of Mt. Hood.

Falls. Every mile of the trip there is something new and fascinating. If desired, the return trip may be made by boat from Cascade Locks or The Dalles. Very low rates for the summer. For particulars, apply to C. W. Stinger, city ticket agent, O. R. & N. Co., Third and Washington streets.

## HEARS FOR INDIA

## Kitchener Forces Reform of British Army There.

## WILL HAVE TO FIGHT RUSSIA

## He Shows Military System Is Out of Date and Must Be Reformed for Coming War—Cannon's Opposition Falls.

LONDON, June 22.—Lord Kitchener, commander-in-chief of the British forces in India, seems to regard as inevitable a great struggle with Russia for the possession of India, and to believe that the existing army for defense of the Indian Empire are altogether obsolete and ineffective. These views form the striking and central points of interest in a blue-book issued tonight, dealing with the recent record of opinion between Viscount Curzon, the Indian Council and Lord Kitchener, which the government has just settled by a compromise, giving the latter extended powers in the direction he desired.

Lord Kitchener, in an important minute addressed to the home government, speaks in telling effect upon the visiting Congressmen. In denouncing the faulty system prevailing in India, which, he points out, has not changed since the time of the mutiny and which was framed to meet peace requirements instead of the possibility of a great war. He describes the situation as one entailing endless discussion and delay, as well as great expense, with no result. In a pregnant paragraph Lord Kitchener says:

"Slowly but surely the deserts of Central Asia, once believed to be an impenetrable barrier, have become a great European power. They are now spanned by railways which have only one possible significance, and we have every indication that the Russian government is pushing forward her preparations for a contest in which we shall have to fight for our existence."

In conclusion Lord Kitchener indicates Japan as having shown what was possible by thoroughly modern methods of army administration, while the disastrous consequences in the Russo-Japanese war, on the other side of the picture. He urges that there is danger in hesitating to break the chains of custom and tolerance of admitted defects.

## The Viceroy and the Council strongly criticized Lord Kitchener's views, but in the end the home government, overriding the opposition, has decided to accept the proposals in favor of Lord Kitchener's reorganization plans in all essentials.

## RELIGIOUS PAGEANT IN VIENNA

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The lesser clergy came first. Their robes were of various colors, and the imperial household, the courtiers, the aristocracy, the bourgeoisie, the middle class, the peasantry, the laboring classes, all in gala uniform, the court chamberlains, many high personages of state, General and other high military officers followed. The host was borne by the Archbishop of Vienna, surrounded by prelates of the church, and after him came the Emperor. In former years it was the custom of Majesty to walk, but now because of his age he rides. Today he appeared in a gala coach drawn by eight of the royal white horses, and accompanied by Archduke Franz Ferdinand, the successor to the throne, the other Archdukes, all in magnificent uniforms, with royal carriages.

The procession marched to the main entrance of the cathedral, and went in through the broad doors facing on the Stefansplatz. After the religious ceremonies it took the way back to the Hofburg over another line of march, in order to give the populace of the city increased opportunities to witness its glittering pageant. From one of the balconies of the palace the procession was witnessed by the Archduchess and her children.

The ceremonies came to an end with the kneeling before His Majesty of the troops which had taken part therein.

## UNEASY FEELING IN PARIS

## City Full of Alarming Rumors About Moroccan Affairs.

PARIS, June 22.—(3:30 P. M.)—Reports from the frontier continue to show marked military activity and a feeling of unrest among the people living along the border. The influential press, evidently in accordance with the wishes of the government, refrains from publishing the military activity, but the feeling of the people is not so easily kept in check. The feeling of the people is not so easily kept in check.

The gloomy sentiment increased during the afternoon. On the Bourse, the market for the day was a record of 40 centimes. Much excitement accompanied the trading. One of the alarmist reports was that Prince von Radolof, the German Ambassador, had left Paris for Berlin, the intimation being that his departure was due to the unsatisfactory nature of the French note.

A diplomat who lunched with Prince von Radolof at noon today informed the Associated Press that the report was absurd, as not the slightest word had yet been received concerning the attitude which the German Government intended to take.

The evening papers sought to allay public uneasiness. The semi-official Temps expressed the government view that the

exchange of notes would serve to remove false impressions and produce a satisfactory agreement. If Germany was prepared to reciprocate the conciliatory advances of M. Rouvier.

Premier, Rouvier, in the lobby of the chamber, replying to several Deputies who expressed anxiety regarding the cause of weakness on the Bourse, said that pessimistic reports relating to the foreign situation were absolutely unfounded, and that the Franco-German negotiations were pursuing a normal course.

## FEJERVARY READY TO RESIGN.

## Negotiations With Opposition in Hungary to Form Cabinet.

BUDAPEST, Hungary, June 22.—General Baron Fejervary, the new Premier, left for Vienna today to submit to the Emperor his Cabinet proposals. The King-Emperor in consequence of votes of confidence passed by both houses yesterday.

Baron Fejervary announced today that he is negotiating with the leaders of the united opposition with a view to the coalition undertaking the formation of a Cabinet.

## POPE WILL LEAVE VATICAN

## Decides to Spend Summer at Castle Gandolfo.

ROME, June 22.—The Italian says it is in a position to positively assert that the Pope has finally decided to go to Castle Gandolfo for the summer. The state of the health of his holiness and the necessity for exercise are given as reasons for this step.

## German Will Recall Troops.

LONDON, June 22.—The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that the German troops in China, with the exception of those at Shingtau, will shortly be recalled. It is recognized that the object of their occupation, the Boxer troubles, has been fulfilled and Germany is said to be diplomatically desirous of ending the strain caused by the presence of foreign troops in China.

## Rail Has Trouble in Greece.

ATHENS, June 22.—The Rail Cabinet, formed after the recent assassination of Premier Delianakis, resigned today owing to the opposition among the Ministers to the proposed programme to modify the Delianakis programme.

The King has entrusted M. Ralli with the task of forming another Cabinet. The situation toward recognizing the agreement between the Delianakis and the Government majority, it appears to be possible that the Chamber may be dissolved.

## Chinese in Malaysia May Boycott.

ISLAND OF PENANG, Straits Settlements, June 22.—The Chinese are here to discuss the adoption of a boycott of American manufactures until the Chinese exclusion act is repealed. It is said that the Chinese of the Malay States probably will follow.

## Will Investigate Army Scandals.

LONDON, June 22.—Under pressure from all sides, Premier Balfour today announced in the House of Commons that the Government would immediately introduce a bill creating a select committee to inquire into the army stores scandal.

## Belgium Approves Arbitration.

BRUSSELS, June 22.—The Chamber of Deputies today approved the compulsory arbitration treaties entered into with the governments of Russia, Denmark, Sweden, Spain, Switzerland and Greece, and the arbitration treaty with the government of Roumania.

## King Christian Is Ill.

IMPERIAL YACHT CLUB, Kiel, Germany, June 22.—Emperor William received a telegram last night announcing that King Christian, of Denmark, is in a state of great weakness, which is giving him considerable concern.

## Canada Seeks Trade With Japan.

OTTAWA, Ont., June 22.—The Dominion government has asked the Imperial government to permit Canada to become a party to the trade treaty of 1904 between Britain and Japan. Japan is willing to agree to it.

## Italy Proposes Congress of Powers.

ROME, June 22.—It is said in well-informed quarters that the Italian government has decided to promote a European congress for the settlement of peace and international questions, including those concerning Morocco.

## Italy Rejects Naval Increase.

ROME, June 22.—The Chamber of Deputies, voting secretly, has rejected the proposal of the naval budget by a vote of 190 against 8.

## CATTLEMEN FROZEN OUT

## GRAND JURY LEARNS HOW THEY ARE CINCHED.

## Jurors Hunt Up Witnesses Who Throw Light on Buyers' Methods of Bidding.

CHICAGO, June 22.—The work of the Federal grand jury investigating the beef industries today showed that the members have been playing the part of detectives in finding witnesses who may enlighten them on certain points concerning the buying of cattle by the packers. As a result of this detective work by the jurors, Frederick Wood, of Hannibal, Ill.; Christopher Barnhardt, of Wilmington, Ill.; and E. C. Sholes, a cattle-feeder from Burlington, Ill., testified today and explained the troubles a cattle shipper has in selling his livestock in the Chicago market.

J. A. Ridgely, general freight agent for the Louisville and Nashville railroad, was another witness this afternoon, together with two other traffic men whose identity was closely guarded by the Federal officials.

After leaving the jury-room, Mr. Scholes said: "I told the jurors that the buyers in the Chicago market of livestock seem to be buying off days and regular days for bidding. They generally bid on Wednesdays and Saturdays at the yards, and generally the prices are uniform."

Mr. Scholes testified that on one day one of the buyers would bid, and if the shipper was dissatisfied, he would wait until the next day, only to be confronted with a similar bid and so on until he was finally forced to sell his cattle or have the profits eaten up by feeding charges at the yards.

## Two Consuls Appointed.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—The State Department today announced the following appointments: Winfield B. Boynton, Colorado, consul at Georgetown, Guyana, and Herbert R. Wright, Iowa, consul at Ustia, Honduras.

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