

CONGRESS APPROPRIATES OVER BILLION

Congressman Tawney of Minnesota, chairman of the committee on appropriations of the recent session of congress, has prepared a schedule of the expenditures of the session.

He said that a review of the demands upon congress this session showed that the estimates of the established public service and for previously authorized public works for the next fiscal year were more than \$156,000,000 over the appropriations made for the same period during the last session of the fifty-ninth congress, and that these demands did not rest in fact upon the necessities of the public service, but were "supported mainly by official recommendations to congress, backed by the approval of the press of the country and they consisted largely of increased compensation to the military branches of the public service."

Mr. Tawney stated the total appropriations of the session to be \$851,088,670. He said the total revenues of the government estimated to congress by the secretary of the treasury are placed at about \$857,123,011; that in addition to the authorized expenditure of \$851,088,670 for the operation of the government during the next fiscal year, appropriations are also made as follows:

In deficiency acts exclusive of \$12,466,750 for public buildings authorized at this session, \$44,529,223; for requirements of the sinking fund, \$58,000,000; for redemption of national bank notes, \$25,000,000; for construction of the Panama canal (bonds to be issued), \$29,187,000; for miscellaneous and special objects, \$1,000,000, including \$250,000 for the relief of storm and flood sufferers in the southern states, and \$403,000 for the payment of claims of the Roman Catholic church in the Philippines; making a grand total of the next fiscal year of \$1,098,804,894.

Mr. Tawney said that the estimates submitted to congress by the executive submitted to congress by the executive as a basis for the appropriations made amounted to \$1,079,449,288, or an excess of \$70,644,394 over the total of the appropriations of this session, and an excess of \$158,661,145 over all the appropriations made at the last session.

A subtraction of the totals of estimates and appropriations, he said, showed that the present house cut down the estimates for the ordinary operating expenses of government \$124,347,172. The grand total of appropriations made at this session exceeded those of last session by \$88,006,750.

Mr. Tawney submitted the following table of major appropriations enacted at this session.

- For agriculture, \$11,672,106.
- Fortifications, \$9,317,145.
- Diplomatic and consular, \$3,577,463.
- Indian, \$9,253,347.
- Legislative, executive and judicial, \$32,833,821.
- Military academy, \$845,644.
- Naval, \$122,662,485.
- Pensions, \$162,053,000.
- Postoffice, \$222,962,392.
- Sundry civil, \$112,937,313.
- Deficiency, \$56,995,973.
- Miscellaneous, \$3,000,000.
- Permanent annual appropriations, \$154,144,295.
- Grand total, \$1,098,804,894.

In a further table of comparisons Mr. Tawney showed the differences between major appropriations of the last session and the present session, as follows:

- Increase over last year:
- Agriculture, \$2,224,816; army, \$16,747,664; diplomatic and consular,

\$485,130; fortifications, 62,419,134; legislative, executive and judicial, \$707,487; navy, \$23,703,977; pensions, \$16,910,000; postoffice, \$10,871,194; sundry civil, \$2,168,101; deficiency, \$44,584,974; miscellaneous, \$2,261,099; permanent, \$4,307,975; total increase, \$127,493,560.

Reductions: District of Columbia, \$322,929; Indiana, \$871,728; military academy, \$1,084,063; rivers and harbors (no appropriation bill this session), \$38,708,083. Total reductions, \$39,386,809.

Net increase this session over last session, \$86,006,750.

15,000 MILES TO WED.

Nelle Matthews Travels from Baltimore to China to Meet Lover.

Baltimore, June 2.—According to advices received by relatives in this city, Miss Nelle Matthews, daughter of Nicholas M. Matthews of Baltimore, will be married this week in Hong Kong, China, after a journey of 15,000 miles. The bridegroom will be Ensign Reed M. Farwell of Lincoln, Neb., now commanding the United States gunboat Samar, stationed at Hong Kong.

Ensign Farwell was a member of the class of 1906 of the Naval Academy and it was at a hop at Annapolis that he met Miss Matthews. Four years ago he was ordered to the Philippines and as he expected to return in a couple of years the engagement was announced and the wedding was to have taken place Easter, 1906. Farwell, however, was ordered to Japan and afterward to China. He had expected to return to this country last month, when the wedding would have taken place, but he learned he would have to remain in China for three more years.

The bride-to-be then went to Washington, saw President Roosevelt and asked if Farwell could not be ordered home, but this availed nothing. Miss Matthews consequently decided to leave for Hong Kong.

CIRCUS NEEDS PHYSICIAN.

Walla Walla Paper Comments on the Lack of Medical Aid in Accidents.

No physician is carried by the Sells-Floto show, an organization of hundreds of people, all exposed to dangers of all kinds says the Walla Walla Statesman. This fact was brought out in the testimony of two of the employees of the circus at the coroner's inquest over the remains of Charge Eagle, the Indian who was recently murdered.

While it appears from the autopsy that the blow that killed the Indian would have resulted in his death at any event, yet the fact remains that from 11 o'clock Saturday night until 10 o'clock yesterday morning no medical assistance was called for the injured man. In the event of injuries of different nature, the result might have assumed an entirely different tone.

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BROKE UP THE ARMY.

A Mean Trick That Demoralized the Haitian Troops.

When not fighting or drinking the Haitian negro spends his time lying in the sun smoking innumerable cigarettes. All over the island the roads made originally by the Spanish and French have fallen into ruin, and the thick forests in the interior are peopled by depraved savages.

A story told by Mr. Sandham, the well known American artist, illustrates the then state of discipline which prevailed among the 8,000 ruffians who bore the courtesy title of "the army."

Mr. Sandham and an Irish friend who resided in the island were one day watching the commandant of the Haitian army reviewing his troops.

"Would you like to see me break up the whole lot?" asked the Irishman.

"Of course," replied the artist.

The Irishman then took five silver coins from his pocket and, with a loud shout, threw them up in the air. Instantly the whole army leaped forward and scrambled for the money, the commandant himself securing the first three pieces. After pocketing them with dignity and restoring order among his men he ordered the Irishman to be arrested for bringing discredit on the army. The Irishman was sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment, but five pieces of silver and a bottle of rum secured his instant release.

BLACK FOREST CUSTOMS.

Youngest Son Inherits Property and Cares For the Old Folks.

The peasant farms of the Black forest are handed down from father to son in a direct line, often dating back 400 years, says Antiquary.

There is no division as in France. All falls to the heir, only here it is not the eldest, but the youngest son, who inherits. It is rare that a bur (peasant) dies as reigning head. When he gets on in years he abdicates in order to end his days in the leibgedingehaus (dower house), which stands beside each hof (steadings).

That he does so in favor of his youngest son is very sensible. Were it the elder he would have no peace, for as soon as he is married he would try to induce his parents to retire just at an age when power is sweetest and best exercised. For this reason the practical farmers of bygone generations decided to hand over the succession to the youngest, since when Benjamin is a full grown man father Jacob is old and glad to rest.

This law of inheritance goes by the name of vortel. Should the heir of his own free will desire to resign in favor of his elder brother the latter must buy the property from him. In such a case the younger may be termed a kind of Esau.

Birds That Fight Eagles.

In Foula, one of the Shetland islands, the natives make a business of rearing skau gulls in order to rid the island of the eagles that congregate there and commit many depredations. The magnificent red sandstone cliffs that skirt the northwestern coast became a favorite haunt of the eagles, and in this inaccessible spot they increased so rapidly that they became a terror to the farmers and fishermen who dwell on this isolated spot. The skau gulls are also strong and fierce and the inveterate foes of the eagle. In battle the gulls are nearly always victorious, and so the inhabitants of Foula hit upon the novel plan of feeding and caring for the skau gulls, which, though formidable to their feathered enemies, are very peaceful and docile when brought in contact with man.

Hotel St. George.

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Dropped Dead.

Roy Sprague fell dead while entering C. L. Conyer's store at Clatskanie, Ore. He had been carrying a sack of potatoes, and dropped dead from heart failure. He was about 35 years old and leaves a wife in Clatskanie and several brothers and sisters in Clackamas county.

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