

STILLMAN WINS 7 OF 9 POINTS

Referee's Decision Blow to Banker's Wife—Letters to Be Admitted

BAR DOCTOR'S TESTIMONY

Poughkeepsie, July 12.—A staggering blow to the cause of Mrs. James A. Stillman and her fair-haired baby Guy was given yesterday by Daniel J. Gleason, referee in the divorce suit.

Nine points at issue were before Judge Gleason. In seven he decided the contention of Colonel William R. Rand, chief counsel for James A. Stillman, should be upheld.

In rendering these decisions it was necessary for Judge Gleason to determine to what extent Mr. Stillman has proved non-access to his wife during the period in which she is charged with infidelity resulting in the birth of Guy. The text of his decisions shows that up to the present he believes the plaintiff has established his contention of non-access and, furthermore, of infidelity on the part of Mrs. Stillman.

This may be entirely upset, however, it is pointed out, when the testimony of the defense is presented. Only the case of the plaintiff has been introduced up to this time, and Judge Gleason's ruling that Mr. Stillman has established his case is made only in relation to the testimony presented to date.

Referee Reverses Himself In one instance the referee reversed his previous decision by admitting in evidence the noted "honey dearest" letter, said to have been written to Mrs. Stillman by the Indian guide, Fred Beauvais, correspondent in the divorce action. Judge Gleason had ruled this letter out. This letter, known as Exhibit B, is said to be the most damaging of the alleged Beauvais letters.

Equally important in its bearing on the case is the referee's decision to admit the testimony of Mrs. Percy Rockefeller, sister of Mr. Stillman, as to a telephone conversation she had with Mrs. Stillman in February, 1918. In this telephone call Mrs. Stillman is said to have declared Mr. Stillman "never came near her nor would have anything to do with her." It was at this time she is said to have made plain that she would not be "a stick of furniture" for any man.

This testimony is admitted in the divorce issue by the referee, but not in relation to the legitimacy action. The only point in which Mrs. Stillman and her friends can take comfort is in the refusal of the referee to admit the testimony of Dr. Higin L. Russell, Buffalo osteopath, as to the conversation in which Mrs. Stillman is said to have admitted that Beauvais is the father of Guy. This and the decision upholding the exclusion of all direct declarations by Mrs. Stillman and Beauvais as to the parentage of Guy on the legitimacy issue are the only victories for the defendant in the decisions.

GERMAN SHIPS TO BE SUNK

Two Former Warcraft Will Be Targets for U. S. Gunners

New York, July 12.—(By A. P.)—Two former German warships, the battleship Ostfriesland and the cruiser Frankfurt, assigned to the United States by the Allied Powers when the German fleet was broken up, left here today on their last voyage. They will be towed to the position of the Virginia capes and sent to the bottom by shells from American battleships.

Both came to this country under their own power, the Ostfriesland bringing home one of the United States naval sixteen-inch guns sent to France in the latter days of the war.

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Income Tax Head



EDWARD W. CHATTERTON recently appointed assistant deputy commissioner of internal revenue, in charge of the income tax unit

U. S. MARINE AIDED BY WAR

Merchant Tonnage Increased More Than 2,000,000 Gross

Washington, July 12.—(By A. P.)—American merchant tonnage has increased by more than 131 per cent since the beginning of the war, according to a statement issued today by the Bureau of Navigation. During the last fiscal year, the statement said, the increase was more than 2,000,000 gross tons including 1,090,000 gross tons in Shipping Board vessels.

FLOODS REPLACE DROUGHT

Farm Lands Under Water in Vicinity of Pottsville

Pottsville, Pa., July 12.—Within three days the drought has been replaced by flood conditions here. Farmers who have been praying for rain found many of their fields covered by lakes this morning.

Intermittent rains for the last three days were followed last night by a downpour which lasted several hours. A trolley car at the Mount Carbon Arch plunged through two and half feet of water. Colliers are struggling to keep down the big volume of water pouring into the mines.

Discharged Soldier Killed by Train

Gallipolis, O., July 12.—(By A. P.)—The body of George Glassner, discharged soldier from Camp Dix, N. J., was found dead on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad tracks near Columbia last night. He was on his way home to Ravenswood, W. Va. Both legs were cut off. Twenty-six cents was found on the body.

Auto Injures Child

Joseph Humanipt, eight years old, 2617 South Warwick street, was struck and injured last night at Tenth and Arlington streets by an automobile, who, the police say, made no attempt to stop after the accident. Humanipt was taken to St. Agnes' Hospital.

Adjutant General Frank D. Beary

So far this camp has lacked all the mass effect and excitement of previous camps and is being conducted more on the lines of a business college. The full effect of this will be seen, however, next year, when it has been decided to have the complete division at Mount Gretna for the first time as a single organization.

MT. GRETTA CALLS FOR ROAD BUILDERS

Commanders of Regiments Are Asked to Send Men Out of Employment

WORK ON RANGES BEGINS

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger Mount Gretna, Pa., July 12.—An urgent call was sent out at division headquarters this morning by Major Robert Morris, assistant division adjutant, asking the commanders of the various regiments due here within the next few weeks to send seventy-five men from each regiment who may happen to be out of employment at this time. They are required for immediate work on the range, and will be given a dollar and a half daily, with board and shelter. These men are required to take the place of more than 200 soldiers who are at present doing the work, but who are at the same time prevented from participating in the camp work of their own regiments.

Battle of Cots Still Raging

The "battle of the cots" is still being fought at division headquarters, it being contended by Federal officials that they are not responsible for the mix-up last Saturday, as cots are not a Federal issue. This is the first time such a ruling has been made, and camp officials here are confident it will not stand, for the reason that cots are a part of the camp equipment. The next move is against the Federal officials who are the State officials have demanded an answer to the question when cots ceased to be a part of the camp equipment. Meanwhile all the men have snug quarters and plenty of good provisions.

Kitchen Instruction Given

While this was being done another fifty members of the regiment were being taken through the various camps and given intensive instruction in kitchen and other sanitary measures. Their instructor was Colonel William Crookston, of Philadelphia. Later these men will act as instructors for the regiment in matters of cleanliness and sanitation.

HEIR TO MILLIONS HURT

John Mullen, Wilkes-Barre, seriously injured in Automobile Mishap Wilkes-Barre, Pa., July 12.—John Mullen, twenty years old, heir of the late John Mullen, millionaire of Shamokin, will probably die from injuries received in an automobile collision at West Nanticoke, yesterday. Mullen was riding in a coupe, John Fraze being the chauffeur. The boulevard was wet and slippery and in trying to pass a truck the two machines came together head on. The coupe was wrecked and Mullen was found to have a fractured skull.

STRICT DISCIPLINE AT SEA GIRL CAMP

South Jersey Troops Begin Intensified Training Like That of Wartime

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Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger Camp Edwards, Sea Girt, July 12.—Troops of the 114th Infantry, from South Jersey, now in camp here under command of Colonel Winfield S. Price, of Camden, got down to the grim realities of encampment life today and had a taste of intensified training. To the recruits the procedure was, as one expressed it, "a bunch of grief," but to the veteran it was just like the old days of the mobilization and war training. The soldiers jumped into the work today with a vim that promised to carry them well along toward the more advanced tactical work which they hope to get into before the end of the week.

Health and discipline are two factors in the upbuilding of the regiment and its successful maintenance which Colonel Price is very insistent upon. Under the direction of Major John Conroy, of Burlington, the regimental surgeon, a thorough watch is being kept over the sanitation of the camp and the purity of the food and water. The camp has so far been singularly free from illness.

WOOD HEARS FILIPINOS

Democrat Party Leaders Charge Maladministration Cebu, P. I., July 12.—(By A. P.)—The Wood-Forbes mission to the Philippines, at a public meeting today in the Plaza, listened to denunciations of the Nationalista Party and Sergio Osmeña, speaker of the Philippine House of Representatives, by his fellow citizens of the Democrat Party, and the mission was welcomed warmly by a large crowd.

The President and Vice President of the Cebu Democrat organization asserted that elections were corrupt and that no Democrat had a chance of election. The prosecuting attorney who is a Nationalista, refused, he said, to lay before the court evidence offered by Democrats showing that corruption existed. Another Democrat speaker asserted that two Nationalista officials who were under suspicion were suspended as soon as the Wood-Forbes mission arrived, but were assured that they would be reinstated as soon as the mission had left. The speakers urged immediate independence in any form for the Philippines.

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SCHOOL FOR STATE POLICE

Major Adams Issues Orders to Start Training at Newville

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REVISE TAX LAW, SAYS EDGE

Tells Senators Business Men Are Demanding Relief

REVISOR'S BUSINESS MEN ARE DEMANDING RELIEF

Washington, July 12.—The Senate should either pass legislation revising tax laws considered injurious to business or "take a recess and go out among the people and find out what they think about things," Senator Edge, Republican, New Jersey, declared in a speech in the Senate. "I recently have had opportunity of mixing with business men and the people at large," Senator Edge said, "and I find sentiment almost absolutely unanimous for repeal and re-writing of the tax laws. Indeed, I think it might be well if the members of Congress would mix a little more with the people and get their views on conditions." Temporary adjournment of the Senate in event of decision to do nothing immediately with revenue revision, Senator Edge asserted "at all events would relieve business and industry from the apprehension of uncertainty which now is trying their nerves to the breaking point."

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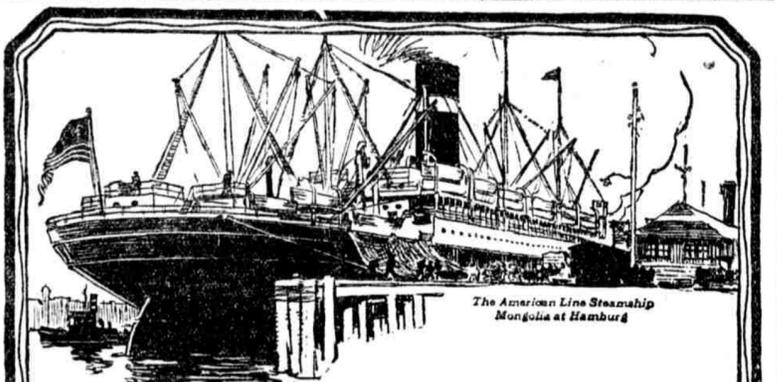
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