



SAT DAY, JULY 27, 1901

SCHLEY TO TAKE ACTION

Will Ask for Investigation By a Court of Inquiry.

SUIT AGAINST MACLAY NEXT.

Stung By Adverse Criticism, the Hero of Santiago Will Request Judicial Research of His Conduct at the Fourth of July Battle.

Washington, July 24.—The Washington Post telegraphed Admiral Schley that in an editorial it insisted that he owed it to himself as well as to his friends to begin proceedings against Mr. Macley, the author of the "History of the United States Navy," to disprove the latter's charges, adding: "Will you do this? Please wire statement."

Yesterday it received the following telegram:

Great Neck, L. I., July 23. I believe the first step should be an investigation of all matter by a court, when a civil action afterwards. I am preparing to take this course.

W. S. Schley.

The Post, as a result of extensive inquiries based upon the admiral's dispatch, said in part this morning:

"Admiral Schley proposes to ask an investigation at the hands of a naval court of inquiry and then to sue Historian Macley for libel. His action is the sequel to the developments during the past week, when the entire country has been stirred by the publication of the unexplained abuse poured out upon him in the third volume of Mr. S. Macley's 'History of the United States Navy,' in which publication Schley is said to have run away 'in a scuffle' and is, in addition, denounced as a coward, a cur and a traitor."

"The Schley court of inquiry will undoubtedly be one of the most celebrated cases in the naval or military history of the country. The high rank of the officers involved in the controversy, and the intense public feeling which has been aroused will combine to give to the investigation a dramatic interest. Nothing has occurred in Washington for many years that will compare with it."

"The appointment of the court of inquiry is expected to be made by Secretary Long, though it would be in the power of the president to make the selections if he chose. This is hardly likely to occur, however."

"Mr. Long has already stated that if Admiral Schley requested a court of inquiry he would grant the request, and has also expressed his willingness to personally select the court. While he has not made any statement as to its personnel, there is every reason to believe that he favors Admiral Dewey and Rear Admirals Sampson and Denham, the two latter being now upon the retired list. The name of Admiral Walker has been suggested, but it is known that he has expressed views upon the Sampson-Schley controversy in antagonism to Schley, and his appointment would, therefore, be seriously questioned."

Owing to the fact that so many probable witnesses are at widely diffused points, it is not likely that the court will get to work for some time. Admiral Sampson, who will, next to Admiral Schley, be the principal figure in the inquiry, is stationed at the Boston navy yard. The captains of the vessels participating in the Santiago battle are at various stations. Captain Cook, of the Brooklyn, is at Annapolis; Captain Clark, of the Oregon, is at League Island; Captain Chadwick, of Admiral Sampson's flagship, the New York, is at Newport; Captain, now Rear Admiral, Taylor, of the Indiana, is at the Brooklyn navy yard; Captain, now Rear Admiral, Evans, is detailed as a member of the board of inspection and survey in this city, but is now off on a yachting trip; Captain Higginson, of the Massachusetts, is commander of the North Atlantic Squadron; Lieutenant Commander Wainwright, of the Gloucester, is superintendent of the Naval Academy at Annapolis; Lieutenant Sharp, of the Wixom, is executive officer of the Hartford, which is now off the coast of Sweden, and Captain Philip, of the Iowa, is dead."

NEGROES MAY BE LYNCHED.

Believed That Brooks' Companion Shot Chief of Police.

Cumberland, Md., July 24.—Chief of Police Robert A. Lilly, of Elkton, W. Va., for the shooting of whom negro William Brooks was lynched Sunday night at Elkton, died at the hospital here last night from his wounds. The authorities are hunting for a negro, a companion of Brooks, who also shot Lilly. Citizens declare she will meet with Brooks' fate if caught. Brooks' body was cut down at noon yesterday, after hanging 16 hours. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict of strangulation at the hands of unknown persons.

Reputed Murderers Located.

Topeka, Kan., July 24.—Four persons, believed to be members of the Bender family, accused of committing a score of murders at their home near Galena, Kan., 20 years ago, are believed to have been located near Fort Collins, Colo., and Governor Stealey has issued requisition papers on the governor of Colorado for their return to this state. The first steps towards bringing the suspects to Kansas were taken upon the representations of Frank Ayres, of Fort Collins, who asserts that one of the quartets, Kate Bender, was once his wife.

BUT LITTLE CORN LEFT

Over 75 Per Cent. of the Crops Damaged in Kansas.

INJURY IS NOW BEYOND REPAIR.

Meanwhile the Temperatures Still Remain Over the 100 Mark, and Rain of Any Amount is Not Promised for Days.

New York, July 24.—There is every reason for believing that the early reports of damage to the corn crop by the drought have not been exaggerated. On the contrary, it is quite evident that the situation is very much worse than at first reported, and that now much of the injury is beyond repair.

The region of worst damage lies within an irregular circle of about 600 miles in diameter, with St. Joseph, Mo., as an approximate center.

The following question was sent to a large number of bank presidents in Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas by The Journal of Commerce:

"Kindly wire your opinion of percentage of damage to corn and live stock by drought in your vicinity."

NO RAIN FOR DAYS.

Temperatures Still Average Over 100 in the Corn Belt.

Washington, July 24.—With the exception of scattered thunder storms, the most important of which so far, at least as reports to the weather bureau show, was that at North Platte, Neb., where 3-100 of an inch of rain fell, the drought and intense heat continued yesterday throughout the states of the corn belt. Temperatures again averaged over 100 degrees in that area, making the thirty-sixth consecutive day in which the thermometer has risen to 90 degrees and higher.

Some of the maximum temperatures reported to the weather bureau at various places were: Atlanta, Ga., 86; Buffalo, 84; Cincinnati, 84; Denver, 104; Kansas City, 102; Little Rock, 102; Memphis, 104; New York, 90; North Platte, 92; Omaha, 101; Pittsburg, 88; St. Louis, 106; St. Paul, 100; Springfield, Ill., 100; Washington, D. C., 90; Springfield, Mo., 106.

GENERAL SOUTHERN NEWS.

Jamestown, Tenn., July 23.—A telephonic message from Sunny Brook, Ky., says: "Another oil well has been struck. Oil flows at the rate of 100 barrels per hour according to the report received here."

Montgomery, Ala., July 23.—At the constitutional convention yesterday section 45 of the executive department was adopted as follows: "The legislature shall pass such laws as they may deem expedient to suppress the evil practice of dueling."

Richmon, Va., July 19.—The Prohibition state convention in session here yesterday, nominated the following ticket: For governor, O. C. Rucker, of Bedford; lieutenant governor, W. T. Bondick, of Accomack; attorney general, F. S. Lee, of Salem. A platform, briefly but vigorously denouncing the liquor traffic, and declaring in favor of honest elections and against division of the public school fund, was adopted.

Alexandria, Va., July 17.—Acting Mayor Paff has inaugurated a campaign against hogs within the city limits. It is a coincidence that about the same date in 1758-1845 years ago—the town authorities ordered "that some effectual methods be taken to suppress the keeping and raising of hogs by the inhabitants of this town." Complete success has never been attained.

Nashville, Tenn., July 19.—Three negro murderers were hanged here yesterday from the same scaffold. It was the first triple execution in this city. Those hanged were "Babe" Battis, Duser Thompson and Abe Retway. Retway was hanged for the wanton murder of an aged white man, while the others paid the death penalty for killing a negro "spotter" for the police.

Valdosta, Ga., July 20.—Fire broke out at 10.30 o'clock last night in the furniture warehouse of S. B. Godwin. An entire block was destroyed. Besides the furniture warehouse, the Christian church, Valdosta Times Publishing company and the Valdosta furniture store, were destroyed. The damage will amount to \$50,000. The origin of the fire is supposed to have been caused by rats igniting some combustibles in the warehouse.

Lynchburg, Va., July 17.—The Lynchburg Gas company, which is a part of the combination known as the Lynchburg Traction and Light com-

pany, has awarded contracts for the laying of 16,000 feet of new gas mains in the city's streets to replace some of the old pipe. The Lynchburg Traction and Light company has matured plans for improvements in its power house to cost \$30,000. Extensive changes are also to be made in the street car system.

Montgomery, Ala., July 19.—"Shall the negro hold office?" was the question discussed yesterday in the constitutional convention. It was caused by the bringing up for discussion section 17 of the legislative department report which reads: "No person convicted of embezzlement of public money, bribery, perjury or other infamous crime, shall be eligible to the legislature or capable of holding any office of trust in the state." Waits, of Montgomery, moved to amend by providing that no negro shall hold any office in the state. Considerable debate followed.

Cleveland, Miss., July 22.—A band of armed negroes, none of whom was known, rode into Cleveland at half past one o'clock yesterday morning and stopped a party of three white men on the main street. Being called on to identify themselves the negroes answered by bringing their rifles into play. But the white men were quicker and one of the negroes was instantly killed. The others escaped. The trouble grew out of the lynching of Jesse Phillips, a negro leader, in the earlier part of Saturday night.

Parkersburg, W. Va., July 22.—The mystery known as the "Ellis Glenn" case now to be in a fair way to be cleared up. Counsel for the defense received from Marietta yesterday a letter containing a photograph of Elbert Glenn taken in that city in 1896, with a sworn statement that the picture was taken there and that Elbert Glenn was a man. A comparison of the two photos shows a great difference in the two people and strengthens the statement made a few days ago that Elbert Glenn was here in the court room and can be produced.

Hot Springs, Va., July 17.—The announcement is made by Mr. Frederick Sterry, manager of the hotels here, that plans are already being drawn for a magnificent new house, which will completely overshadow the Old Homestead, recently burned. The company hopes to have part of the new structure ready for occupancy by fall and the entire plant completed by next spring. In the meantime the Virginia hotel and cottage, which were not in any way injured by the fire, are all open for the entertainment of guests. The commodious bathhouse is also open, as usual, and was in no way damaged.

Memphis, Tenn., July 19.—Chief of Police Richards has received a letter from a firm of buyers of Locomotives, Ark., in regard to a supposed robbery. Two flatboats landed near there a few days ago, and since that time the parties have disappeared. The scene is at an isolated place. This morning a photograph of the boats, with three men and a woman and a baby, were discovered near the scene. A trunk which had been broken open with a hatchet was also found in the swamp. Papers bearing the name of F. M. Vogus, Metz, W. Va., were also found.

London to Investigate Our Railways. London, July 24.—Yesterday the London county council voted to send a party to investigate the railways of the United States, especially the "shallow underground lines" of the Boston system, which it is proposed to construct here.

MAY TRY COLORED WORKMEN.

Chicago Company Imports 300 Negroes—Trouble is Feared. Chicago, July 24.—The advent at Melrose Park today of 300 negro workmen, 25 women and three preachers, imported from Mobile, Ala., by the Latrobe Steel and Coupler Works, is awaited with interest by the residents of the suburb and the 600 workmen now employed in the plant. Threats of the workmen to strike for higher wages are believed by many to have been the cause of the importation. Officials of the company deny this, but the workers see a strange similarity between this importation and the rumors that colored men were to be taken to the Pennsylvania works of the steel trust. "They are going to try it on the dog out here first," was the remark made by one of the workmen.

FROM THE WEST END.

Fifth Baptist Sunday School Elect Officers—To Install Sunday, 8:30 P. M.—River View Grand Rally.

The following officers have been elected by the Fifth Baptist Sunday School and will be installed Sunday, July 28th, at 8:30 p. m.

Moses G. Lewis, Superintendent; M. L. Crittenden, Assistant Superintendent; Joseph Davis, Secretary; Miss Mabel Harris, Ass't Sec'y; J. L. Brown, Treasurer; Miss Finetta Harris, Organist; Jas. Taylor, Chorister; Daniel Brown, Librarian; Junius Orange, Ass't Librarian; Miss Sarah L. Carter, Representative to the Sunday School Convention at Lynchburg, Va.

A splendid programme has been arranged for the Annual Exercises Sunday afternoon. Short addresses will be made by prominent visiting speakers. Members of other Sunday Schools are cordially invited to be present. All are welcome.

Grand Rally at River View. Grand rally at River View next Sunday, Rev. Gordon of Washington, D. C. will preach at 11:30 and 8:30. Lord's supper at 4 o'clock. These services are made exceedingly interesting and all friends are invited to be present and aid the church in her efforts to raise a large amount of money that much needed to pay off her indebtedness.

candidates on last Fourth Sunday? Rev. Champ, pastor bids all welcome.

Remember Aug. 6th is the occasion of annual outing of the 5th Baptist Sunday School to Spotswood Park, De Witt, Va. All orderly persons cordially invited to go with them and spend a day of pleasure. Plenty good water and shade. Adults, 50 cents; children under 12 years, 25 cents round trip. See bill.

K. of P. Officers Installed.

Fulton Lodge, No. 42 met Monday night, July 22 with a good gathering. After the regular routine of business, Deputy Grand Chancellor Willis Wyatt, assisted by father S. S. Baker; Capt. A. J. Smith installed the following officers for the ensuing term:

Rev. E. W. Williams, O. G.; W. H. Scott, M. of W.; Thos. Paige, V. G.; William E. Brown, P.; B. W. Whittington, K. of R. and S.; J. O. Dawson, M. of P.; Thomas A. Jones, M. of E.; R. G. Porter, M. of A.; Leroy Morris, I. G.; Jas. H. Banks, O. G.

This lodge is in a prosperous condition. May God continue his blessings with us, Amen.

Fulton Court also met the same evening and had an interesting meeting. Mother Taylor was present and steered the old ship across the briny deep.

Remember the Old Boys. Excursion to Washington, Aug. 11th.

The Republican State Convention will meet at Roanoke, Va., Aug. 21st.

Dr. R. E. Jones, president of the Woman's League Training School and Hospital has returned from an extended trip north. He was accompanied by his Madame.

Miss Lizzie Burrell continues ill and universal regret is expressed over her deplorable condition.

Mrs. W. A. Saunders left home Thursday, July 18th with her baby to spend the summer with her father in New Kent Co., Va.

Mrs. Gracie A. Troy of Portsmouth, Va. spent a pleasant time in the city during the session of the Tents.

Mr. James M. Evans, of Walla Walla, Washington sent us \$3.00 paying his subscription for nearly two years in advance. He likes the PLANET.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The Virginia Baptist State Sunday School Convention.

Dear Co-Workers: After considering the various interests of our Convention, the Board, after consultation with Rev. R. C. Quarles, G. P. Inge, Esq., Rev. R. B. Hardy, Rev. Driver and other friends of Charlottesville, with whom the Virginia Baptist State Sunday School Convention will meet, has decided to have the Convention convene on the original date, AUGUST 21st, 1901, at the First Baptist Church of which Rev. R. C. Quarles is pastor.

All Schools, Unions, Conventions, Associations, etc., are urged to take notice of the above statement. Send names of delegates and representatives to Rev. R. C. Quarles as soon as elected, so that ample provisions may be made for entertaining them.

R. P. HILL, President; W. F. STEW, Chairman; NELSON WILLIAMS, JR., Sec'y.

VIRGINIA BAPTIST STATE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Danville, Va., July 6th, 1901. To the Sunday-Schools, Associations, Unions, and all connected with the VIRGINIA BAPTIST STATE SABBATH-SCHOOL CONVENTION,—Greeting.

We take this means of calling your attention to the fact that the annual meeting of your Convention will convene with the First Baptist Church Sunday-School of Charlottesville, Va., on Thursday before the fourth Lord's Day in August, 1901.

The state S. Y. P. U. will hold its annual meeting also on Wednesday proceeding, so that all delegates who desire to do so may have an opportunity to attend the sessions of both bodies. It may be useless to remind you that it is your duty to be represented at this gathering, and that we have been so very faithful in the past. But we are living in an active, earnest, and progressive present. Conditions have changed. New issues are to be met, and if you are convinced that the position taken by the Convention up on the questions that are now being agitated in our Session, the best course will be to advance our interests as a denomination and as a people, then show your faith by your works by being represented at Charlottesville.

It is the earnest desire of the Board that our representation shall be larger and our contributions greater than at any previous session. See to it, brethren, that you send up more money for Home Missions. The Board cannot successfully do the work we have undertaken unless you contribute more liberally. Do not forget our educational work. We have obligations that are pressing in a very manifold way. Union University, Hartshorn College, and Spiller Academy all expect help at your hands. Let all be remembered. At our last session we decided to do our Foreign Mission work through the Lot Carey Foreign Mission Convention. Send up, therefore, something with which to carry out this obligating work to Charlottesville. Come with a renewed zeal. Come with a determined and fixed purpose to support and advance all the objects for which our Convention stands. The Convention will meet on the original date Aug. 21, 1901.

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