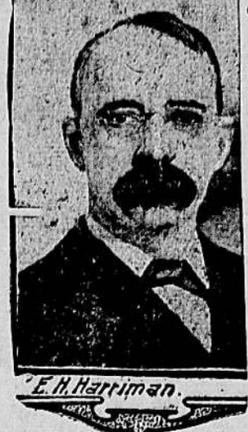
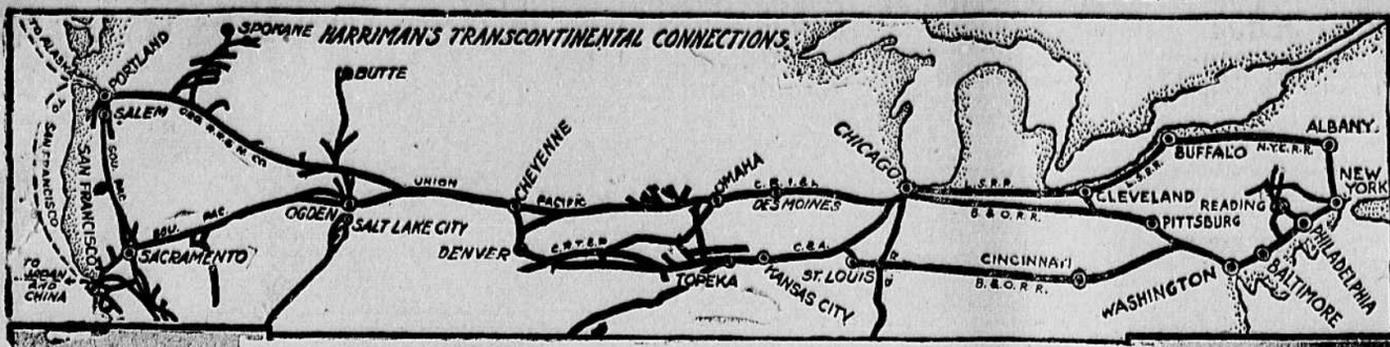


HARRIMAN'S GREAT ACROSS-THE-CONTINENT SYSTEM.



IMMIGRANTS ARE LEGALLY LANDED

Attorney-General Bonaparte Submits a Very Important Opinion for South.

CONTINUED UNDER OLD ACT

Under the Recently-Enacted Law the Persons Could Have Been Excluded.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—A statement was issued by the Department of Justice to-day concerning an opinion submitted to President Roosevelt by Attorney-General Bonaparte as to whether certain immigrants, who were landed in South Carolina last fall, are legally in this country.

The Attorney-General holds further, however, that under the provisions of the recently enacted immigration act, the immigrants in question could have been excluded.

The statement says: The statements furnished by the Department of Commerce and Labor that the Legislature of the State created the office of immigration commissioner, and made an appropriation of \$2,000 for its expenses, for the express purpose of encouraging immigrants to come into the State, also appears that certain private parties made up a fund amounting to about \$30,000, which was placed in the hands of Commissioner E. J. Watson, and with these resources he went abroad and by advertisements and otherwise collected a considerable number of laborers or artisans, who were willing to migrate to South Carolina, where labor, it is understood, was in great demand.

Were Not Bound by Contract.

He paid the passage of these people by an agreement, which was afterwards canceled, that they should repay him out of their wages from employment, he might procure for them. Under the terms of the agreement signed by the immigrants and Commissioner Watson, the latter promised to find employment for the former, but the immigrants themselves were to reject any particular offer of employment that might be made to them.

The Attorney-General holds in effect that the original provisions of the alien contract labor law of 1885 were not repealed by the immigration law of 1891, and that after 1891, whenever passage money had been paid of an alien laborer who came to this country under a previous contract to perform labor here, such an alien laborer was not entitled to admission into the United States.

Did Not Act for the State.

"Third—That although the passage of these laborers may have been paid in pursuance of an offer or solicitation of employment, and in violation of the provision of the act of 1903, this would not render the aliens themselves liable to exclusion, as this act did not contain any provision excluding from admission any whose passage money had been paid in violation of its provisions.

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Post-Office Appointments.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—Virginia postmasters appointed: J. W. Clark, Amherst county, James R. Kent, vice Gordon Kent, resigned; Edna, King and Queen county, John R. Lonsast, vice Wm. S. Croxton, resigned; Franklin City, Accomac county, Theodore W. Reed, vice B. R. Powell, resigned; Graham's Forge, Wayne county, J. C. Roberts, vice J. W. Bar, resigned; Jane, Dickenson county, Napoleon B. Colley, vice A. D. Jackson, resigned; Roanoke, Gloucester county, William T. Ashe, vice R. A. Rouse, resigned; Joseph E. Burruss appointed regular, James L. Partlow, substitute, rural carrier route 2, at Beaver Dam, Va.

CAMPAIGN OPENS.

Candidates for Congress Have First Joint Debate.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., March 7.—The first meeting of the Democratic congressional candidates for the Eighth District took place at King George, Va., where Senator Martin and Governor Montague had their famous joint debate, to-day. All were present except Mr. Ryan. Mr. Gordon spoke first, was followed by Judge Nicol, and he by Mr. Carlin. Judge Nicol aroused Mr. Gordon somewhat by criticizing his course as a member of the Constitutional Convention. Mr. Carlin spoke in pleasant manner of his opponents, the crowd applauding his remarks. From present appearances Carlin is in the lead in the county. Gordon seems to have some little strength, as has Nicol, while Mr. Ryan is unknown to the large crowd listened to the speakers.

Two-Cent Rate Bill Passed.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., March 7.—The two-cent maximum fare bill passed the House to-day by practically a unanimous vote.

AMERICA WILL NOT INTERFERE

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—Mexico and the United States are using their kindly offices in an attempt to effect a settlement of the trouble which threatens to involve all five of the Central American republics in war. Mr. Creel, the Mexican ambassador, had a long conference with Secretary Root to-day, and Mr. Corea, the Nicaraguan minister, also called at the State Department, but there were no late advices, and no new developments in the situation to-day.

The impression is still general in diplomatic circles that Salvador, Guatemala and Costa Rica are about to throw their support to Honduras in an attempt to crush Nicaragua and humble President Selaya. It can be stated positively that there is no thought of intervention on the part of the United States, and Mexico is believed to be unwilling to intervene. Although strong efforts are being made for an arbitration of the grievance which threaten to result so disastrously, the opinion prevails in Washington that the five republics will all become involved in actual war.

HARRIMAN'S NEW SYSTEM A \$2,360,000,000 AFFAIR

Table with columns: Stock, Mileage, and Bonds. Lists various railroads and their financial details.

BOTH ARMIES CLAIM VICTORY

Advices From Managua Say That Bonilla Has Met With Reverses.

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, March 7.—It is reported here that Honduran revolutionists have taken possession of one town of Morolica, San Antonio Delos, Flores, San Lucas, Guinope, Yacaron, Danil and Elparaiso. Many volunteers are joining the revolutionists as a result of the reverses to the Honduran army under President Bonilla. President Bonilla hurriedly abandoned Teaguecala and went to Chaluteca, where his only army is concentrated. The Honduran troops are reported to be deserting.

SAN SALVADOR, REPUBLIC OF

SAN SALVADOR, March 7.—The representative of the Associated Press has received a message from General Manuel Bonilla, President of Honduras, from Chaluteca, a strongly fortified town sixty-eight miles south of Teaguecala, as follows: One of the Honduran scouting parties attacked the enemy Wednesday at Namasiquo, in Honduras, close to the Nicaraguan frontier, and not far from the Pacific Ocean. The enemy was in considerable strength. The Honduran troops occupied three advance positions, and compelled the enemy to abandon the town. The enemy was then repulsed from the heights, suffering heavy losses and proving an easy target for our artillery.

"The enemy is now disbanding by the hundreds. We succeeded in capturing a number of rifles and a quantity of ammunition. The battle lasted five hours.

Salvador in State of Siege.

SAN SALVADOR, March 7.—The National Assembly to-day decreed the Republic of Salvador to be in a state of siege.

RICHARDSON-TROWER.

Pretty Wedding at McKendree Memorial Church.

NORFOLK, VA., March 7.—McKendree M. E. Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding this afternoon at 5 o'clock, when Miss Maud Hunter Trower, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Trower, became the bride of Mr. Paul A. Richardson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. George W. Wray, pastor of the church.

JURY TRYING STEVE ADAMS COULD NOT AGREE

WALACE, IDAHO, March 7.—The jury in the case of Steve Adams, charged with the murder of Fred Tyler, after being in deliberation since 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon, to-night at 7:10 o'clock announced through Foreman George Eilers that it was impossible to agree on a verdict, and was discharged by Judge Woods.

JAPANESE DESERTER IS ARMY ENGINEER

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., March 7.—A special from Guadalajara, Mexico, says: "One of the Japanese who deserted the construction camps of the Mexican Central Railroad a few days ago at the Santa Domingo mine of the Ampara Mining Company in the Etizian district of this State. His papers were turned over to the general manager of the company, and it was found that he was a military engineer in the employ of the Japanese government. Before his death the Japanese engineer had stated that he was on his way to the United States. Of the 1,400 Japanese landed in three months for work on the Mexican Central Railroad, only 250 remain. The others deserted and many of them are now in the United States.

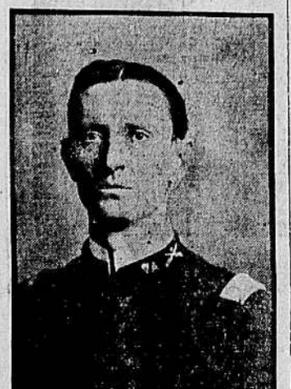
INTEREST KEEN AMONG MILITARY

Third Company of Blues Battalion to Be Organized This Evening.

INSPECTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK

Every Command in City Preparing to Make Good Showing.

Those who have signed up for enlistment in the new third company of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues Battalion, about sixty-five men in all, will meet to-night to receive preliminary training. As soon as authority for the mustering in of the command is secured from the Governor, it will elect its captain and two lieutenants. They will be examined for their commission, and Company C will be a reality. Those who have signed their desire to become members have had military experience in the Blues Battalion, in the Seventieth Regiment, in the Spanish-American War. Among the number are many men of middle age who have served as captains or lieutenants, and others who have had years of experience as non-commissioned officers. In personnel the new company



T. C. BAPTIST. Who will be captain of reorganized Company H, of Seventieth Regiment.

will be fully the equal of Companies A and B, and in efficiency and appearance will prove formidable competitors for the laurels. The members of the company will be, as a rule, both older and larger than those of either of the other companies.

Drops Dead at Table!

J. Hill Moreton Struck Dead While Making Speech.

The annual meeting of the Colonial Society, held at the Madison Club House in Cleveland, yesterday, came to an abrupt and tragic end when Mr. J. Hill Moreton dropped dead at the table. He was just beginning a brief after-dinner speech when he suddenly stopped, gasped, and fell, and sank to the floor. He died, stricken by Heart Disease before his wife, who, as best man, could reach him. He was a prominent attorney and only thirty-eight years old.

IS HARRIMAN'S PLAN TO BACK FORAKER

All Washington Discusses Dinner at Which Spooner and Railroad Man Sat Down.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Is Edward H. Harriman backing Senator Joseph Benson Foraker, of Ohio, for the Republican presidential nomination in 1908?

LOCAL OPTION ELECTION ORDERED IN BRISTOL

BRISTOL, TENN., March 7.—In accordance with a petition from citizens, Judge John W. Price to-day ordered that a local option election be held at Bristol, Va., April 20, to determine whether or not saloons are to be abolished in Bristol, Tenn. The election question was held to-night, when Evangelist George R. Stewart and others spoke.

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George F. Bear, Captain of the Blues Battalion.

Board of Aldermen, and a military man of large experience, is also a member of the proposed company, and is likely to be appointed captain. Captain Bear resigned the captaincy of Company B about a year ago, and became a private in the ranks of the command.

Application will be made to the Governor in a day or two for permission to organize another military company in this city. It is to be attached to the First Battalion of the Seventieth Regiment.

Already sixty-two men have signed for enlistment as soldiers in the new organization of the command is given. It is understood that Captain T. C. Baptist will be elected captain of the company when it is organized fully. The members have already indicated their preference. The new company will replace Company H, recently disbanded.

It is predicted by officers of the regiment that the inspection at the Seventieth Regiment Armory next Tuesday and Wednesday night, by Colonel J. C. Dempsey, U. S. A., of the First Battalion and Company C of the Second Battalion, will make the most creditable showing ever presented at an inspection since the regiment was organized. The headquarters of the battalion will be in the city, and will be inspected on Tuesday night, and Company F, of the First Battalion, and Company C, of the Second Battalion, will be inspected on Wednesday night. The new drum and bugle corps, of which Major Bossieux is captain, will be inspected along with the battalion on Tuesday night. This organization, although not recently perfected, has been reorganizing diligently, and now makes a very creditable showing. The four companies of the regiment will appear in their new full-dress uniforms on Tuesday night, and each will have the largest number of men ever lined up at inspection. These predictions indicate the revival of military enthusiasm which has been mentioned several times recently.

On Thursday night the inspection of the Richmond Howitzers, Battery A, First Battalion of Artillery, will be held at the armory on North Eighth Street. The Howitzers will have in line practically the entire complement of men permitted by law as the maximum for the battery. The company will probably be composed of a few men absent on leave from the city. Captain Myers and his men now have the command recruited to the limit, and are awaiting vacancies. The inspection will be a very interesting one.

On Friday evening Companies A and B and the battalion headquarters of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues will be inspected by the government inspector, Colonel Dempsey. The Howitzers, the uniforms, arms and accoutrements of the battalion were lost, and both companies were ordered to report to the State from the Federal War Department. Despite their misfortune, however, both companies will be there with the men, and will make the best showing possible without dress uniforms and arms.

This will complete the inspection, as far as this city's troops are concerned.

Among the visitors at the regimental headquarters to-night was Captain B. G. Roberts, of Company H, Seventieth Regiment, located at Clifton Forge, Va. Captain Roberts and his command were here on leave from the front, and made many friends among the local military.

THE HARRIMAN STORE CATERING TO THE PEOPLE. 300 Yards Satin Stripe Curtain Muslin 81c. Real Value, 12 1-2c, Sale Price - - - 83c. Novelty Net Curtains, 3-1-2 yards long, with Batten-yards insertion; per pair. \$2.50. \$5.00 value, 3-1-2 yards long Irish Point Lace Curtains, 5 different styles; Sale price \$3.48 Monday. 3-1-2 yards long Robinet Ruffle Curtains, extra quality net, 3 different designs; former price \$2.00; per pair. \$1.50. 50 pairs Nottingham Curtains, pretty patterns, cheap at a dollar; our price, per pair. 75c. 3-1-2 yards long Nottingham Lace Curtains, 10 different patterns; worth \$1.25 and \$1.50 value; per pair. \$1.00.

BREAK IN SOUTHERN LOOKS OMINOUS SCRAWLED BY A DYING SOLDIER

Many Financial Interests Think Dividend Will Be Reduced. Confederate Sabre Found at Gettysburg Bears Peculiar Inscription.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, March 7.—The further violent break in the stocks of the Southern Railway Company to-day reflected the uncertainty of the company's ability to continue the five per cent. dividend rate on its preferred stock. That issue broke five points, selling down to sixty-nine, while the common fell about four points to twenty-two and a half. These sharp price touches by the stock since 1903. The directors are scheduled to meet to-morrow at 2 o'clock at 80 Broadway to take action on the dividend, but it is impossible to learn at this time what they will do concerning this matter.

The heavy falling off in the net earnings of the company, if continued for the balance of the year, would hardly seem to warrant maintaining the preferred stock on a five per cent. basis, and there are not a few important financial interests who believe that the dividend will have to be reduced.

The publication of the company's earnings for January to-day precipitated the selling movement in the stock for the first seven months of the year in the net returns for the month, bringing the total decrease in net earnings for the first seven months of the fiscal year up to \$1,352,293. The fiscal charges for the current year, it is understood, will exceed those of last year by about \$1,000,000.

A stockholder of the Southern, who is in touch with the management of the road, says that the management was no reason to believe that the dividend on the preferred stock would be reduced.

STOCKS, BONDS AND BANKING

Richmond Dealers Not Much Encouraged by Situation on Market Yesterday.

"Liquidation is still in progress, the necessities of individuals who have over-traded themselves have required it, and until this liquidation comes to an end there will be no stability in the market." Thus spoke yesterday a Richmond man who is in the habit of watching things in the market day and night, and buying only on an upward tendency. Evidently he does not look for an upward tendency for several days yet. He is sure that he did not find it yesterday. It thinks, however, that stocks at present figures are intrinsically cheap.

A few stocks were a little higher, but all, or nearly all, of those that Richmond speculators are in the habit of dealing in were lower. They were all at one time threatened to do something in the way of advancing, but this hope was dissipated early in the day, and before the day was over they were all in control of the New York market.

However, during the day, Union Pacific, Southern Pacific and St. Paul edged up from 2 to 3 points, and this was encouraging to several Richmond dealers, who were well stocked up, but the dealers whom we preferred, Louisville and Nashville and Chesapeake and Ohio, which are Richmond favorites, rather demoralized the men who do the plunking.

Reading a stock which is sometimes handled largely by Richmond people, and which had something of a sensational rise to about 100, yesterday, they were sustained itself yesterday, going off 6 points from Wednesday's closing. It is the opinion of experts that Reading has been too high in the market, and that it is merely a matter of manipulation, it is whispered about that two or three, maybe four or five, Richmond men were caught to some extent in this net, set by the astute manipulators.

"Here is a proposition I would like to lay before you," said a well-known speculator to a Times-Dispatch man yesterday. "Louisville and Nashville sold today for 18, which is the very low notch. Now it cost the Coast Line \$202 per share to get control of the Louisville and Nashville. Either the Coast Line has too much invested in the stock, or the stock is being now given away. Mind you, at the time of the purchase by the Coast Line the Louisville and Nashville gross earnings were \$1,000,000 per year; now they are 50 per cent. higher. Why should Louisville and Nashville be selling to-day for 18? Why the natural inference is bound to be that the stock is being manipulated for the purpose of stock manipulators get through with their monkey business the stock will go back to where it properly belongs. Does it not seem to you that the stock should remain down here where it now is?"

WOMAN MURDERED.

Murderer Only Took Diamonds From Dead Woman's Ears. ST. LOUIS, March 7.—When he returned from his office to-night, Horner W. Quernheim, president of the Quernheim Hardware Company, stumbled over the lifeless form of his wife in the front hall of his residence, No. 374 Vestal Avenue, one of the fashionable residences of the city. Mrs. Quernheim's throat had been cut, she had been shot once, and her body had been brutally torn and bruised.

Scattered about the floor were numerous jewels and several hundred dollars in currency. The only thing that was missing was a pair of diamond earrings, which had been torn from the dead woman's ears.

DEATHS.

EPPEES.—Died, at her residence, 314 North Thirty-sixth Street, at 8:40 P. M., MARCH 7th, 1907, Mrs. FORTY-EIGHT year old. Funeral notice later.

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