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KU-KLUX SUED FOR DAMAGES

Sensational Charges Made by R. Hollowell and Wife.

Paducah, Ky.—Two sensational suits were filed today in the United States court by Robert H. Hollowell and his wife, Mary L. Hollowell, for \$50,000 damages each against alleged "Ku-Kluxers" who reside in Lyon and Caldwell counties.

There are twenty-eight defendants, many of whom are prominent farmers of these counties.

Allegations are made that on the night of May 2, 1907, the defendants visited the home of the plaintiffs and unmercifully whipped and beat them; also that Mrs. Hollowell was shot in the face, and after being knocked down was brutally kicked several times.

They state that they are now residents of Vanderberger county, Ind.

These cruelties were meted out to them, they allege, because they were witnesses in a case against some of the defendants in Caldwell county, and their evidence was not wanted by the defendants.

LYNCH AND BURN NEGROES

Assailants of Aged White Man and Wife Confess to Crime.

Hawkinsville, Ga.—Two negroes, Curry Roberts and John Henry, were lynched today near here and their bodies burned. They were accused of the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hart, and one of them confessed to the crime, saying the motive was robbery.

Robertson and Henry were arrested following the discovery of the body of Warren Hart. His wife was lying nearby in a dying condition. Hart had been killed by a blow on the head, apparently made by an ax. Mrs. Hart was severely beaten and was found unconscious. She died without having regained consciousness.

Today the negroes confessed their guilt, and were taken from the county jail and carried some distance from the town, where they were hanged to a tree. After the hanging the bodies were cut down and incinerated. The case quietly dispersed.

The crime for which the negroes were hanged was committed just at daylight, when Hart went from his house to feed his stock. His head was crushed. The murderers then went to the kitchen, where Mrs. Hart was cooking breakfast, and attacked her with an ax, leaving her for dead. Mrs. Hart was found on the floor with a fork in her hand and the breakfast which she had cooked burned to a crisp.

The purpose of the murder is believed to have been robbery, as the Harts were known to have money in the house. Mr. Hart and his wife were 65 years old.

BANK RATE IS LOWERED.

Bank of England Puts Discount at 3 1/2 Per Cent.

London.—Owing to the improvement in monetary conditions the directors of the Bank of England today reduced the discount rate from 4 to 3 1/2 per cent. It was thought in some quarters that no change would be made owing to the South American gold requirements, the less satisfactory position in Berlin and the delay in returning gold from New York, but with money more plentiful here, the reserve being over \$150,000,000, which probably will be increased by shipments from Egypt and fresh arrivals from mine centers, the bank authorities thought it safe to reduce its rate. The money market already had discounted the change by lowering the rates of three months' bills to 3 1/2 per cent.

NEW FEDERAL-STATE CLASH

Gov. Ansel Will Resist Judge Pritchard's Dispersal Decision.

Columbia, S. C.—That a clash between the State of South Carolina and Federal Judge Pritchard is imminent was indicated today when Gov. Ansel sent a special message to the general assembly in extra session urging it to enact legislation preserving the State autonomy and protecting the dispensary funds from the interference of the Federal courts.

The message is an outgrowth of Judge Pritchard's decision to take jurisdiction of the suits brought by creditors to secure the payments of debts contracted for liquors furnished to the former State dispensary.

Iowa Mud Stops Auto.

Denison, Ia.—The Italian car, going to Paris from New York, reached here at 12:55 p. m., taking four hours to go nine miles from Vail. The car stuck in the mud in front of former Secretary of the Treasury Shaw's residence, and a crowd volunteered to help start the machine. A thousand people greeted the car and cheered the Italians. Roads are so bad that the car may remain here until tomorrow.



FRISCO IS INDICTED

FEDERAL GRAND JURY FINDS TRUE BILL IN REBATING.

A LUMBER COMPANY IS ACCUSED

Shipments From Arkansas Are Basis for the Charges in Both of the Cases.

St. Louis—An indictment of thirteen counts against the St. Louis & San Francisco Railway Co., charging rebating, was returned by the federal grand jury in its report to Judge Dyer in the United States district court, Tuesday noon.

The alleged rebating is in connection with lumber shipments by the Chapman & Dewey Lumber Company of Kansas City, against which one indictment of 13 counts charging receiving rebates also were returned.

The shipments which figure in the case are from Jonesboro, Ark., to St. Louis in 1905.

Another indictment is against Dr. John L. Fitzporter of 1516 Chestnut street. It charges misuse of the United States mails, based on correspondence between the physician and Anna Nouvelle of Canton, Ill.; Reba Wallace, Albia, Ill.; I. X. L., P. O. Box 355, Lincoln, Ill., and Lizzie T. Laroche, Metropolis, Ill.

GEORGIANS LYNCH TWO.

Two Other Negroes Held on Suspicion and Armed Men Menace Them.

Hawkinsville, Ga.—Two negroes, suspected of being the murderers of Warren and Mrs. Hart, an aged couple, Wednesday morning, have been lynched. Two other negroes are held on suspicion.

Large crowds of men, heavily armed, are on the ground, and further violence is imminent.

The motive for the murder of the old people is supposed to have been robbery, as \$1,500 which the assassins overlooked has been found hidden in the house.

Senator Proctor Dead.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Redfield Proctor of Vermont, who died Wednesday afternoon, was the wealthiest man in the upper branch of congress, according to a statement of one of the multimillionaire members. Senator Proctor was born in Proctorsville, Vt., in 1831, and had been a legislator and governor and lieutenant-governor of his state. He served in the civil war, was President Harrison's secretary of war, and had been in the senate since 1891, when he left the cabinet to succeed George F. Edmunds.

Officer Kills Preacher.

Guthrie, Okla.—Deputy Sheriff Ed Hull was arrested Thursday, charged with murder. Wednesday he killed a supposed horse thief, said to have resisted arrest. The victim was identified Thursday as Marlon Morgan, a preacher, who was trying to sell his horse when approached by the officer. Hull will claim self-defense.

To Arrest All Truants.

Atlantic City—Police have decided to arrest every truant from local schools, following the discovery that lads who "bag" school have been engaged in the petty thefts which have worried the department.

Employing 1,000, Resume.

Reading, Pa.—The local plant of the American Iron and Steel Co. resumed after a two months' idleness. It employs nearly 1,000 hands.

Buy Church at Auction.

New York—John Krause, head gardener on William K. Vanderbilt's country place, Idle Hour, bought a church at public auction for \$50 and for \$50 more he got the fixtures. Krause will use it as a home.

Gould Line Stations Closed.

Topeka, Kas.—The Missouri Pacific issued an order closing twenty telegraph stations on the Omaha division, four in Kansas and the remainder in Nebraska. Eighteen are day and two night stations.

PRIEST IS THREATENED.

St. Louis Pastor Receives Letter in Which Death is Threatened.

St. Louis—Rev. Father Timothy Dempsey pastor of St. Patrick's church and proprietor of two hotels for homeless men, received in his mail Wednesday a "black hand" letter demanding \$500, to be left on Eads Bridge at midnight next Friday. He is threatened with death if he fails to pay the money, or if he reports the demand to the police, and is promised 10 years "protection" if he yields the money.

Father Dempsey is not inclined to take the threats seriously.

Two Wounded in Pistol Duel.

Caruthersville, Mo.—Edward Langdon and Albert Little, both of Caruthersville, fought a pistol duel in a saloon near the depot here Monday night. The shooting was the result of a quarrel, and both principals were probably fatally wounded. They were taken to a hospital at Memphis, where physicians declare there is little hope for the recovery of either. Langdon was formerly night watchman at Caruthersville.

Wellington Gordon Dies.

Columbia, Mo.—Wellington Gordon, for more than fifty years a practicing attorney of Columbia, died at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning. He was 73 years old and a member of the pioneer Gordon family. His father was John B. Gordon, one of Missouri's famous lawyers in the early days, and a contemporary of Judges Scott and Leonard of the early Missouri supreme court.

China Refuses to Surrender.

Tokio—China has completely ignored Japan's demand for surrender of the Japanese steamship Tatsu Maru, seized by the Chinese on the ground that it was smuggling arms to revolutionists. Unofficial statements from Chinese statesmen a few days ago indicated that China would give up the Tatsu, apologize and pay an indemnity. The Japanese cruiser Idzuma remains at Canton, awaiting orders or a settlement of the dispute over the Tatsu Maru.

Bankers to Hunt Bears.

Marksville, La.—A party of Kansas bankers from Noodessa, headed by A. M. Sharpe and A. M. Hill, arrived here for one month's hunt at Black River Lakes and on the north side of Red River, where deer and bears are plentiful.

Trapped Negro Uses Gun.

Clarksburg, W. Va.—Frank Johnson, a negro, accused of murdering Mrs. Carl Martin, a negro, and who is held at bay in a barn near here by a posse of deputy sheriffs, shot and wounded three of his pursuers early Wednesday. The wounded are: H. Cook, James Wamaley and John Matheny.

Ask Authority to Extradite Roy.

Washington, D. C.—Application was made to the state department Tuesday for the necessary authority to extradite from France Paul E. Roy, charged with responsibility for a death of George A. Carkins in New Hampshire. The action on the application was not announced.

Friendless at 107.

Warren, Mass.—John H. Spencer, 107 years old, destitute and without friends, has been taken to the Warren poorhouse.

Pastor Killed by Fall.

Butler, Pa.—Rev. J. G. Butz, aged 72 years, died at Zellenople, from the effects of a fall, his skull having been fractured.

Girl Quits Sick Bed to Wed.

Marion, Ohio—Cupid scored a triumph here when Miss Mary Katherine Johnson, aged 25, her wedding twice postponed by grip, rose from her bed and was married by Rev. George M. Rourke to Charles S. Iden of McKees Rocks, Pa.

Objects to the Name.

Volin, S. D.—The parents of a new born daughter having named her Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, the neighbors are indignant and threaten violence unless the child's name is changed.

NEWS OF CONGRESS

DOINGS OF PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATIVES AT WASHINGTON.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED

Concise Report of Measures Introduced and What Action is Taken on Them

To Regulate Asiatic Immigration.

Washington—The Hayes bill to regulate the coming into and the residence within the United States of Asiatics was considered Tuesday by a sub-committee of the house committee on foreign affairs. Representative McKinley of California appeared in support of the measure and urged chiefly as against the immigration of Japanese and other Asiatics the charges that they work for wages which disrupt conditions of the American workmen and that, racially, they are non-amalgamative. No decision was arrived at.

Bill to Remove Duty on Pulp.

Washington—Representative Stevens of Minnesota introduced a bill to remove the duty on pulp wood and white paper.

Democrats Favor Aldrich Bill.

Washington—A careful canvass of the senate to ascertain the sentiment in regard to the Aldrich currency bill indicates that when the bill comes to a vote there will be more democratic senators recorded for it than republican senators against it. Since the speech by Senator Smith of Michigan in opposition to the railroad bond feature of the measure, it has been stated persistently that there is a republican defection that endangers the passage of the bill.

Legislative Procedure Criticized.

Washington—The system of legislative procedure in the house of representatives was severely criticized in that chamber Tuesday by Mr. Murdock of Kansas. He declared it to be all wrong and asserted that under it the vitality of initiative in the individual in his representative capacity was being sapped. "He has his share of the responsibility in a majority vote on non-partisan legislation," he asserted, "but he has little or no voice in determining the question upon which he shall vote except in purely partisan matters."

More Time to File Survey.

Washington—The bill granting additional time to the Alaska Pacific Railway and Terminal Co. to file completed surveys by road sections was ordered favorably reported without amendment Tuesday by the house committee on territories.

Senate Wants Information.

Washington—The senate Tuesday passed the resolution offered by Mr. Tillman calling on the attorney general for information in his possession concerning court proceedings in 1905 in the Indian territory affecting the Cherokee and Chickasha Indian tribes.

Calls for Postoffice Probe.

Washington—The startling charge that the railroads of the country carrying mails had robbed the people out of \$70,000,000 was made in the house by Mr. Lloyd of Missouri. He declared that the new system of weighing mails was an admission of the postmaster general that the weighing in the past 27 years had been fraudulent. He called for an investigation of the post-office department, and Mr. Wanger of Pennsylvania, chairman of the committee to control the expenses of that department, promised that an inquiry would be conducted. Others who spoke were Messrs. Moon of Tennessee, Goebel of Ohio, Briggs of Georgia, Murdock of Kansas and Smith of California.

Pass 320-Acre Homestead Bill.

Washington—The senate Monday passed a bill authorizing the entry under the homestead laws of 320 acres of land instead of 160, as at present, when the land is arid and incapable of irrigation.

Indian Fraud Probe.

Washington—Senator Tillman's resolution calling on the secretary of the interior for information concerning the charges of fraud in the Choctaw and Chickasha litigations, in which the court was charged with receiving a part of the lawyers' commissions, was adopted by the senate Monday in modified form.

Consider P. O. Appropriation.

Washington—Consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill was begun in the house of representatives Monday. As presented, the bill carries a total appropriation of \$20,765,732, which is \$9,675,624 less than the estimates. Mr. Overstreet of Indiana explained the provisions of the measure, the main feature of which has already been published.

To Try Alie in March.

Denver—Giuseppe Alie, slayer of Father Leo Heinrichs, pleaded not guilty to the charge of murder when arraigned in the criminal court. Judge Greeley Whitmore set his trial for Monday, March 9.

Robbed on Way to Bank.

Muskogee, Okla.—F. E. Pitts and Will Harris were held up near Kiowa and robbed of \$279 in money and nearly \$200 in checks while they were on their way to Egan to place the money in the bank.

CHINA AWAITS WAR

OPEN RUPTURE THOUGHT LIKELY IN EUROPE.

JAPAN WOULD FORCE QUARREL

Mikado's Attitude Such As to Make Controversy Hard of Settlement Peaceably.

London—War is unquestionably imminent between China and Japan. Members of the English government have believed until very lately that the continued squabbling between the two nations meant nothing serious. High officials are at last unofficially admitting that there is every appearance of a disposition on Japan's part to force a quarrel on the Chinese. The incident of the Chinese seizure of the Jap steamer Tatsu Maru seems trivial. Considering it as the culmination, however, of a series of still unsettled misunderstandings over territorial and other really important matters, it assumes a serious aspect.

The Mikado's attitude has made even the controversy one which it is hard to adjust amicably. No one familiar with the circumstances doubts that the steamship was trying to make a surreptitious landing of arms on the Chinese coast for rebels against the government. Though consigned to a Macao merchant, it is notorious that the formality was a mere pretext. A large part of the shipment was not even manifested.

OUR GUNNERS BEST IN WORLD.

Commander Thinks, However, That the Men Need More Training.

Washington, D. C.—Commander Sims, who is aid to the president and a son-in-law of E. A. Hitchcock, of St. Louis, has made this explanation regarding his testimony before the senate naval committee: "The impression I intended to convey was that the navy was in a state of inefficiency, and not prepared for war and that owing to this there was no proper system of training for the gunners. This was not the fault of the personnel, who are the best in the world, but simply because the training established by the department was incomplete and did not develop the ability of our gunners or of the material."

"Our men are the superior of any others in the world, and they have shown, since the present system of gunnery training has been established, that they can equal or beat any other navy in the world."

Steeplejack Shoots Family and Self.

New York—Steeplejack O'Brien, one of the aerial artists whose daring feats have entertained street crowds in New York for years, Wednesday night shot his wife, his 18-year-old son Ernest and himself. His boy will recover, but the parents are critically wounded. After an absence from home of two years, O'Brien returned Tuesday night and sought a reconciliation with his wife. They quarreled and the shooting followed.

Sues Lilley for Damages.

Washington, D. C.—Sull was instituted in the supreme court of the District of Columbia Wednesday by Frank B. Lord, formerly of the New York Sun, against Congressman Lilley of Connecticut for damages amounting to \$40,000, which Mr. Lord claims to have sustained through statements made against him by Mr. Lilley in connection with his recent charges that undue influence had been used in behalf of the Electric Boat Co.

Factory Girls in a Panic.

Chicago—Fire which started on the third floor of the five-story building at 29-32 Market street, occupied by the American Cork Company, caused great excitement in the heart of the wholesale district shortly before noon and caused a loss estimated at \$50,000. About 50 employees, mostly girls, engaged in packing cork, were thrown into a panic, but all succeeded in escaping from the building.

Kills Girl and Himself.

Worcester, Mass.—Vivian Phillips, 19 years old, was shot and killed late Wednesday night by Harry Monnier, 7, of Philadelphia, who afterwards shot himself dead. The shooting took place at 5 Bycamers street, where Miss Phillips and Monnier boarded. Jealousy is believed to have been the motive.

Rowboat Is Not a Vessel.

Detroit, Mich.—The federal court here acquitted a man who smuggled Chinese from Canada because he used a rowboat. The court ruled that a rowboat is not a "vessel" and the aliens did not come by land.

Engine Severs Legs; Man Dies.

Centralla, Ill.—John O'Byrne, aged 39 years, married, slipped and fell under a locomotive here, losing both legs above the knee. He died from his injuries.

Hung Jury in Titsworth Trial.

Muskogee, Okla.—The jury in the trial of the Titsworth brothers, charged with the murder of Deputy United States Marshal Bud Hobert and the wounding of Deputy Marshal Sapper at Porum last summer at a picnic, reported a hung jury.

Mad Horse Bites Driver.

Evansville, Ind.—Joseph Hagan, a coal driver, was attacked by a mad horse that bit his left hand and so badly lacerated it that amputation was necessary.

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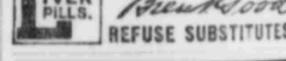
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